

Legislation Text

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Declaring September 2014 to be Hunger Action Month in the City of Saint Paul.

WHEREAS, hunger and poverty are issues of grave concern in the United States, the State of Minnesota and the City of St. Paul; and

WHEREAS, the City of St. Paul is committed to taking steps to raise awareness about the need to combat hunger in every part of our city and to provide additional resources that citizens of St. Paul need; and

WHEREAS, the City of St. Paul is committed to working with Second Harvest Heartland in educating people about the role and importance of food banks in addressing hunger and raising awareness of the need to devote more resources and attention to hunger issues; and

WHEREAS, more than one in 10 individuals in Minnesota rely on food provided by Second Harvest Heartland and Minnesota's Feeding America Food Banks annually; and

WHEREAS, Second Harvest Heartland distributed more than 83 million pounds of food in 2013 through its network of food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters and other community organizations; and

WHEREAS, food banks across the country, including Second Harvest Heartland, will host numerous events throughout the month of September to bring awareness and attention to encourage involvement in efforts to end hunger in their local community;

NOW, THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Saint Paul City Council hereby recognizes September 2014 as HUNGER ACTION MONTH in our CITY OF ST. PAUL and calls this observance to the attention of our citizens.