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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois has identified the need to
3 create a local, sustainable, accessible, fair, and healthy
4 food system in order to provide healthy food choices in
5 State-funded facilities; and

6 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois is committed to improving
7 the health of all its residents and to promoting a safe,
8 healthy, and fair work environment for its workforce; and

9 WHEREAS, The Good Food Purchasing Program (GFPP) was
10 developed in 2012 to provide an incentive to public
11 institutions to procure Good Food produced through
12 values-driven purchasing standards; and

13 WHEREAS, GFPP defines Good Food as food that is healthy,
14 affordable, fair, and sustainable and is produced, processed,
15 distributed, and recycled locally using the principles of
16 environmental stewardship, meets the Dietary Guidelines for
17 Americans, and is available to purchase for all income levels;
18 and

19 WHEREAS, Good Food values prioritize nutrition,
20 affordability, locality, and sustainable production practices,
21 including sound environmental practices, fair prices for

1 producers, safe and fair working conditions for employees, and
2 humane conditions for animals; and

3 WHEREAS, All participants in the GFPP food supply chain
4 receive fair compensation and fair treatment and are free from
5 exploitation; and

6 WHEREAS, Good Food Purchasing refers to the sourcing and
7 purchasing of foods and beverages and food and beverage
8 service contracts procured by the State of Illinois; and

9 WHEREAS, In practicing Good Food Purchasing policies, the
10 State of Illinois will help support a regional food system
11 that is ecologically sound, economically viable, and racially
12 and socially equitable and has an impact on the availability
13 of local, sustainable food; and

14 WHEREAS, It is recognized that the significant buying
15 power of public institutions across the country can reform the
16 food system, create opportunities for smaller farmers and
17 low-income entrepreneurs to thrive, provide just compensation
18 and fair treatment for food chain workers, support sustainable
19 farming practices, reward good environmental stewardship, and
20 increase access to fresh and healthy foods; therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE

1 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
2 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we embrace the principles of
3 the Good Food Purchasing Program as a strategy to help improve
4 our region's food system through the adoption and
5 implementation of Good Food Purchasing Standards; and be it
6 further

7 RESOLVED, That there is created the Illinois Good Food
8 Purchasing Policy Task Force to study the current procurement
9 of food within the State and explore how Good Food Purchasing
10 can be implemented to maximize the procurement of healthy
11 foods that are sustainably, locally, and equitably sourced;
12 and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall consist of the
14 following members, who shall serve without compensation:

- 15 (1) The Lieutenant Governor or his or her designee;
16 (2) The Speaker of the House of Representatives or his
17 or her designee;
18 (3) The Minority Leader of the House of
19 Representatives or his or her designee;
20 (4) The Senate President or his or her designee;
21 (5) The Senate Minority Leader or his or her designee;
22 (6) One member nominated by a statewide local food
23 advocacy organization appointed by the Lt. Governor;
24 (7) One member nominated by a national multi-sector

1 food advocacy organization appointed by the Lt. Governor;

2 (8) One member nominated by a Chicago-based food
3 advocacy organization appointed by the Lt. Governor;

4 (9) One member nominated by a statewide environmental
5 advocacy organization appointed by the Lt. Governor;

6 (10) One member nominated by a statewide labor
7 organization that represents food workers appointed by the
8 Lt. Governor;

9 (11) One member nominated by a national farm-animal
10 welfare organization appointed by the Lt. Governor;

11 (12) The Director of the Department of Commerce and
12 Economic Opportunity or his or her designee;

13 (13) The Director of the Environmental Protection
14 Agency or his or her designee;

15 (14) The Director of the Department of Public Health
16 or his or her designee;

17 (15) The Director of the Department of Natural
18 Resources or his or her designee;

19 (16) The Chief Procurement Officer for General
20 Services or his or her designee;

21 (17) The Chief Procurement Officer for Higher
22 Education or his or her designee;

23 (18) The Chief Procurement Officer for the Secretary
24 of State's Office or his or her designee;

25 (19) The Chief Procurement Officer for the Department
26 of Corrections or his or her designee;

1 (20) The Chief Procurement Officer for the Department
2 of Human Services or his or her designee;

3 (21) The Chief Procurement Officer for Central
4 Management Services or his or her designee;

5 (22) The Director of the Department of Agriculture or
6 his or her designee;

7 (23) One member nominated by a statewide organization
8 that advocates for healthy nutrition appointed by the Lt.
9 Governor;

10 (24) One member nominated by a statewide coalition
11 that advocates for a just State food system appointed by
12 the Lt. Governor; and

13 (25) Two members nominated by an association that
14 advocates on behalf of farmers appointed by the Lt.
15 Governor; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That the Department of Agriculture shall provide
17 administrative support for the Task Force; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That the Task Force members shall select a
19 chairperson at the first meeting; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall submit its final
21 report to the Governor and the General Assembly no later than
22 December 31, 2026 and is dissolved upon the filing of its final

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1 report.