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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, A group of Hindu organizations started the season 3 of giving with the Sewa Diwali Food Drive; and

WHEREAS, Sewa is an act of selfless service embedded in Hindu tradition and culture; Diwali is a Hindu festival that celebrates the victory of light over darkness; and

7 WHEREAS, The Sewa Diwali Food Drive was organized by the 8 Hindu Swayamsevak Sangh USA (HSS) Buffalo Grove branch, SEWA 9 International, the Chinmaya Mission - Yamunotri, the Lake 10 County Indians Association, and the SVG Charity - Shri 11 Swaminarayan Temple Wheeling - Vadtal Dham Chicago; and

12 WHEREAS, Fostering the importance of selfless volunteering 13 and of helping those in need, many families participated and 14 engaged their communities by going door-to-door, utilizing 15 social media, and holding several community campaigns; and

16 WHEREAS, The Hindu Swayamsevak Sangh USA (HSS) Buffalo 17 Grove branch donated 1,953 pounds of food to the Vernon 18 Township Food Pantry; and

19 WHEREAS, The statewide Sewa Diwali effort collected and 20 delivered over 51,102 pounds of food items to food pantries HR0568 -2- LRB102 22320 LAW 31457 r across Illinois; therefore, be it

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2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 3 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 4 we commend the efforts of all supporting organizations of the 5 2021 Sewa Diwali Food Drive and thank them for their donations 6 to the Vernon Township Food Pantry and food pantries across 7 Illinois; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be 9 presented to the Hindu Swayamsevak Sangh USA (HSS) Buffalo 10 Grove branch as an expression of our esteem and respect.