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House Resolution 954

By: Representative Abdul-Salaam of the 74th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Hosea Feed the Hungry and Homeless; and for other
- 2 purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, founded in 1971, Hosea Feed the Hungry and Homeless is a Christian
- 4 international aid organization that follows the principle that education and self-help fortifies
- 5 change that breaks the cycle of poverty; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Hosea Feed the Hungry and Homeless was founded by civil rights icons
- 7 Reverend Hosea and Juanita T. Williams and has grown to become one of the most
- 8 significant human services organizations in the Southeast United States, providing services
- 9 to approximately 50,000 people a year; and
- 10 WHEREAS, a nonprofit charity, Hosea Feed the Hungry and Homeless has distributed more
- 11 than \$3 billion in food, clothing, medical, educational, toiletries, furniture, and cleaning
- supplies to 16 Georgia counties, three states, the Philippines, the Ivory Coast, and Uganda;
- 13 and
- 14 WHEREAS, Hosea Feed the Hungry and Homeless prevents homelessness by providing rent,
- mortgage, and utility assistance; financial literacy and GED classes; distribution of school
- supplies and book bags to children; and support to programs that teach how to develop small
- businesses and co-ops, while providing leadership training to independent farmers; and
- 18 WHEREAS, in 2000, Afemo and Elisabeth Omilami expanded Hosea Feed the Hungry and
- 19 Homeless to a year-round human service organization and brought their extensive
- 20 background in helping families in crisis to the organization, with Mrs. Omilami assuming the
- 21 role of president; and

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22 WHEREAS, Hosea Feed the Hungry and Homeless has forged a spirit of cooperation

- 23 between individuals, corporations, and churches, and its outstanding service to humanity is
- 24 worthy of recognition.
- 25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 26 the members of this body commend Hosea Feed the Hungry and Homeless on its over three
- 27 decades of selfless service to the world and those in need.
- 28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Hosea Feed the Hungry and
- 30 Homeless.