

## House Resolution 1895

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the importance of voluntary community based resource recovery efforts through  
2 the RESCUER initiative and the utilization of digital platforms to facilitate food sharing  
3 within local communities; and for other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, communities across Georgia regularly discard edible food while individuals and  
5 families within those same communities may experience food insecurity; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the concept known as the Georgia Resource Exchange and Sharing for  
7 Community Uplift and Emergency Resilience (RESCUER) initiative promotes voluntary  
8 community based sharing of edible food through digital platforms that connect local  
9 residents, food banks, restaurants, grocery stores, and other retailers within a local  
10 community; and
- 11 WHEREAS, voluntary food recovery efforts can reduce food waste while expanding access  
12 to edible food within local communities; and
- 13 WHEREAS, many communities have expressed interest in voluntary programs that connect  
14 local residents, food banks, restaurants, grocery stores, and other retailers to facilitate food  
15 sharing; and

16 WHEREAS, digital platforms can assist communities in organizing voluntary food sharing  
17 programs while allowing participation to be limited to members of a local community; and

18 WHEREAS, voluntary coordination among community members can strengthen local  
19 resilience, reduce unnecessary food waste, and support efforts to address hunger within local  
20 communities.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
22 the members of this body recognize the importance of voluntary community based resource  
23 recovery efforts through the RESCUER initiative and the utilization of digital platforms to  
24 facilitate food sharing within local communities.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
26 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the  
27 public and the press.