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A Resolution in Support of the Campus Hunger Reduction Act of 2018

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

JULY 19, 2018

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR COLLINS ON BEHALF OF PRESIDENT JACKSON TO THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

A Resolution

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Whereas, the Campus Hunger Reduction Act of 2018, otherwise known as H.R. 6112 was introduced by Congresswoman Judy Chu of California on June 14, 2018;

Whereas, the legislation moves to amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to make institutions of higher education eligible for assistance for community food projects and for other purposes;

Whereas, Congress finds the following:

1. According to the Wisconsin HOPE Lab, studies indicate that at least 36 percent of four-year college and university students and 42 percent of two-year community college student have experienced food insecurity in 2018.
2. Hunger threatens a student's health, cognitive ability, and economic security.

3. Institutions of higher education should strive to collect edible, surplus food from campus-operated dining facilities that would be thrown away and distribute such food to student experiencing hunger.
4. Institutions of higher education should partner with local organizations such as regional food banks to reduce hunger and support operation of food pantries on campus.

Whereas, in a 2016 campus survey conducted by the ASUN Center for Student Engagement, the Office of Service-Learning & Civic Engagement, and the Office of Student Persistence Research, 21% of all University of Nevada students indicated food insecurity;

Whereas, Pack Provisions, formally known as the ASUN Food Pantry, strives to support all members of the University of Nevada, Reno with the daily resources that they need to ensure student success;

Whereas, Pack Provisions had a total of 314 users in the fall semester of 2017 alone;

Whereas, Pack Provisions and similar programs on campuses across the country could benefit from the expansion of this existing grant program;

Whereas, the expansion of this grant program could allow more campuses to start similar programs and address food insecurity on their campuses;

Be it resolved that, the Associated Students of the University of Nevada support the passage of H.R. 6112;

Be it further resolved that, a copy of this resolution be sent to President Marc Johnson, Vice President of Student Services Shannon Ellis, Senator Catherine Cortez Masto, Senator Dean Heller, Congressman Mark Amodei; Congresswoman Jacky Rosen; Congresswoman Dina Titus; and Congressman Ruben Kihuen.

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