

Proclamation

by

Steven L. Beshear
Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

- WHEREAS, Serious social problems and basic needs such as hunger concern our nation and our Commonwealth; and
- WHEREAS, Connecting with others and working together through volunteer service at food banks and collection points can bridge the differences that separate people and help solve serious social problems and meet such basic needs as hunger; and
- WHEREAS, We, as Kentuckians, have a strong tradition of philanthropy, volunteerism, and working to meet the needs of others, and in 2008 our state effort collected and distributed 71 tons of food to local food pantries and emergency feeding centers; and
- WHEREAS, Millions of self-sacrificing individuals touch and enhance the lives of millions on the 19th annual day of doing good by giving where there is a need, rebuilding what had been torn down, teaching where there was a desire to learn, and inspiring those who had lost hope; and
- WHEREAS, USA Weekend magazine and its affiliate newspapers and The Points of Light Foundation and its affiliate volunteer centers have joined to promote an annual national day of doing good that celebrates and strengthens the spirit of volunteer service; and
- WHEREAS, Volunteer service is an investment in the future we all must share, and the volunteer collection of safe, healthy food meets the needs of many Kentuckians who would otherwise go hungry;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVEN L. BESHEAR, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim October 24, 2009, as

MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY

in Kentucky, and urge my fellow citizens to organize and participate in food drives with friends, fellow employees and relatives and with religious, school and civic groups to benefit fellow Kentuckians in need.



DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort this 12th day of October, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Nine and in the 218th year of the Commonwealth.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Beshear".

STEVEN L. BESHEAR
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Trey Grayson".

Trey Grayson
Secretary of State