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## Members of Congress Take Action to Honor Meals on Wheels Programs Nationwide

Resolution Recognizes Dedicated Battle Against Senior Hunger

**Alexandria, VA, March 31, 2014** – Congressman Dave Loebsack (IA-2) led an effort in the U.S. House of Representatives to nationally recognize and commend the work taking place in Meals on Wheels programs in every State and District that enables our senior neighbors to remain happier, healthier and independent in their homes. Bipartisan bill <u>H.Res. 526</u>, cosponsored by nearly 40 Members of Congress, also recognizes the Meals On Wheels Association of America's 12<sup>th</sup> annual March for Meals campaign and its efforts to raise awareness about the hidden American problem that is senior hunger.

"The month of March mobilizes local Meals on Wheels programs across the country to engage their communities and build the support needed to carry out their missions and serve the growing number of seniors in need," said Meals On Wheels President and CEO, Ellie Hollander. "We are grateful that Congressman Loebsack and dozens of his colleagues introduced this resolution to nationally recognize the thousands of programs and millions of volunteers who enable vulnerable seniors to live more nourished and independent lives. These programs deliver so much more than a meal."

"As someone who was raised in part by my grandmother, I am proud to champion the cause of the Meals On Wheels Association of America," said Congressman Loebsack. "My grandmother often struggled to put food on the table for my siblings and me, and I firmly believe that no senior should ever go hungry. I applaud the Association for their commitment to working collaboratively with other senior nutrition programs, local businesses and the public during their March for Meals campaign to raise awareness and increase community engagement."

This latest effort in the House is another example of the bipartisan support that exists for Meals on Wheels and the public-private partnership it embodies. The full text of the resolution can be found <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.

## **About Meals On Wheels Association of America**

The Meals On Wheels Association of America is the only national organization and network dedicated solely to ending senior hunger in America. The Association is the oldest and largest organization composed of and representing local, community-based Senior Nutrition Programs in all 50 states and U.S. territories. More than 5,000 local Meals on Wheels Programs leverage a dedicated army of two million volunteers who day-in and day-out create an efficient and caring way to help America's seniors stay independent, healthy and able to live in their own homes. For more information, or to locate a local Meals on Wheels program, visit mowaa.org.