

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2015-4619, by Representative Harris

1           WHEREAS, In 1865, The Salvation Army was founded in London,  
2 England by William and Catherine Booth; and  
3           WHEREAS, The Salvation Army operates in 126 countries around the  
4 world with the motto "Soup, Soap and Salvation"; and  
5           WHEREAS, The first Salvation Army Officers arrived on American  
6 soil, March 10, 1880; and  
7           WHEREAS, The phrase "on the wagon" was coined by men and women  
8 receiving services of The Salvation Army. Former National Commander  
9 Evangeline Booth drove a hay wagon through the streets of New York to  
10 encourage alcoholics onboard for a ride back to The Salvation  
11 Army. Hence, alcoholics in recovery were said to be "on the wagon";  
12 and  
13           WHEREAS, The Salvation Army Red Kettle began as a crab pot in San  
14 Francisco in 1891. A depression had thrown many out of work,  
15 including hundreds of seamen and longshoremen, and a Salvation Army  
16 officer used the pot to collect money for a meal to feed the  
17 unemployed. The campaign proved so successful that by 1900 it was  
18 replicated in cities throughout the nation; and  
19           WHEREAS, The Salvation Army Brass Band has performed in the Rose  
20 Bowl Parade in Pasadena, California every year since the 1920's; and  
21           WHEREAS, In 1890, The Salvation Army commenced its work at 6th  
22 and Main Street in downtown Vancouver, Washington; and  
23           WHEREAS, The Salvation Army Clark County exists to provide  
24 humanitarian care for those in need, ministering to body, mind, and  
25 spirit without discrimination; and  
26           WHEREAS, The Salvation Army Clark County serves 35,000  
27 individuals annually with food, clothing, utilities, housing, and  
28 educational services; and  
29           WHEREAS, The Salvation Army has initiated an after school program  
30 targeting "at risk" youth grades K-5 to help kids with homework. This  
31 free program provides a safe environment for kids until their parents  
32 are able to pick them up after work; and  
33           WHEREAS, The Salvation Army reaches out to inner city youth with  
34 a residential outdoor camp every year during the summer months; and

