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IN RECOGNITION OF BOISE RESCUE MISSION

Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Boise Rescue Mission, BRM, in my great home state of Idaho. This year, under the guidance of Executive Director Rev. Bill Roscoe, the BRM celebrates 50 years of service to the Treasure Valley community by providing food, shelter, clothing, counseling, education and spiritual guidance for the homeless and others in need.

BRM began as a small facility, but has grown over the past five decades to include three facilities in Boise and Nampa. Today they serve between 600 and 800 meals a day to the hungry at three dining rooms, and provide almost 300 beds to the Treasure Valley's homeless.

In addition, BRM is committed to drug and alcohol counseling through the New Life Drug and Alcohol Addiction Recovery Program. The dedicated volunteers at BRM help participants stay sober and discover a new spiritual life. It is noteworthy that while BRM is a faith-based ministry, its spiritual outreach is non-coercive. It provides its services and programs to whoever needs them, whether or not the client has spiritual interest.

I commend the impact BRM is having on those in need in the Treasure Valley community. The sincere efforts and dedication of its volunteers is inspirational. Thank you, Rev. Roscoe, for your leadership and spiritual guidance. All Idahoans are in your debt.