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*** MEDIA ALERT ***

Support the Food Bank of Iowa by donating to the Yankee Doodle Drive Against Hunger

What: Make a difference in the lives of those less fortunate by participating in the 2011 Yankee Doodle Drive Against Hunger that is going on now through Friday, July 1.

WHEN: Monday, June 27 through Friday, July 1. Donations of non-perishable food items may be dropped off at any Dahl's store or Bank of the West branch.

Local residents may also bring their donations to the Yankee Doodle Pops concert at the Capitol on Friday, July 1 and receive a buy-one, get-one free coupon to use at any Des Moines Symphony Masterworks concert during the 2011-2012 season. A local Girl Scouts troop will be on hand to pick up any donations and load them in the Food Bank of Iowa truck.

WHY: Support the Food Bank of Iowa's mission of alleviating hunger through food distribution, partnership and education. The Food Bank of Iowa has a tremendous responsibility in the community as their partner food pantries, soup kitchens, homeless shelters and many more nonprofit organizations depend on them to have adequate food supplies to meet the increased demand they are experiencing.

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