Wonderful Vegetarian Chili

¹/₄ Cup Olive Oil 2 Large Red Peppers – chopped into ¹/₂-inch cubes 2 Large Onions – chopped into ¹/₂-inch cubes 4 Cloves of Garlic – crushed 28 oz. Crushed Tomatoes 14 oz. Stewed Tomatoes V8 – 32 oz. Can 2 T Chili Powder 1 T Dried Basil 1 T Dried Oregano 1 t Black Pepper 1 t Fennel Seeds 2 Cans Red Kidney Beans – undrained 2 Cans Pinto Beans – undrained 16 oz. Corn 1 t Dill Weed 2 T Lemon Juice Optional: Green Chile to taste. Cilantro and/or Scallion Garnish.

In a 5-quart pot place crushed tomatoes, stewed tomatoes, 24 oz. of V8, chili powder, cumin, basil, oregano, black pepper, and fennel – simmer on low for 30 minutes.

Heat olive oil in large skillet – over low heat sauté onioins, red pepper, and garlic until wilted, about 10 minutes or so. And to tomato mixture.

Add corn and beans – simmer uncovered for 30 minutes, stirring often.

Add dill, lemon juice, and optional green chile – simmer 15 minutes.

Adjust seasonings and add more V8 to thin if necessary.

Serve with optional garnish.

Makes 5 quarts. Freezes exceptionally well.