

SENATE RESOLUTION
8652

By Senators Eide, Johnson, Roach and Rasmussen

WHEREAS, World Vision is an international Christian relief and development organization based in Federal Way, Washington working to promote the well-being of all people - especially children; and

WHEREAS, World Vision was established in 1950 to care for orphans in Asia and has grown to embrace the larger issues of community development and advocacy for the poor in its mission to help children and their families build sustainable futures; and

WHEREAS, World Vision, as one of the world's leading relief and development agencies, is managing an integrated humanitarian response to the Asia earthquake/tsunami disaster with a special focus on children and vulnerable populations; and

WHEREAS, World Vision's rapid emergency response to the people impacted by the Asia earthquake/tsunami is meeting the immediate needs of impacted populations and programs are being developed to rebuild communities and recover and secure livelihoods; and

WHEREAS, World Vision is providing humanitarian aid to more than 1.5 million children affected by the earthquake and ensuing tsunami that took more than 155,000 lives in the Indian Ocean region; and

WHEREAS, With long-term development programs in the affected countries of India, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Indonesia, and Myanmar, and a global partnership of over 100 offices, World Vision is ideally positioned to mobilize resources and staff to tsunami ravaged areas;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the members of the Washington State Senate acknowledge and honor the commitment World Vision has made to providing disaster relief to those impacted by the Asia earthquake/tsunami and recognize the dedication of the World Vision staff, supporters, and volunteers who provide critical services to disaster victims; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to World Vision Headquarters.

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 8652,
adopted by the Senate
March 24, 2005

THOMAS HOEMANN
Secretary of the Senate