

SENATE RESOLUTION
8633

By Senators Benton, Fraser, and Cleveland

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

1 WHEREAS, The Salvation Army reaches out to inner city youth
2 with a residential outdoor camp every year during the summer
3 months; and

4 WHEREAS, The Salvation Army Clark County is working to
5 expand its literacy and after school programs to reach children
6 beyond grade five; and

7 WHEREAS, The Salvation Army Clark County plans to provide
8 social and educational services for senior citizens in its
9 community; and

10 WHEREAS, The Salvation Army provides vital services such as
11 feeding the hungry, housing the homeless, and serving those who
12 need it most in Washington state, all thanks to the graciousness
13 and goodwill of indispensable volunteers and staff;

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington state
15 senate extend its heartfelt appreciation to The Salvation Army
16 Clark County for its 125 years of service to those in need in
17 Clark County, Washington.

18 I, Hunter G. Goodman, Secretary of the Senate,
19 do hereby certify that this is a true and
20 correct copy of Senate Resolution 8633,
21 adopted by the Senate
22 March 9, 2015

23 HUNTER G. GOODMAN
24 Secretary of the Senate