

SENATE RESOLUTION

8613

By Senators Liias and Salomon

1 WHEREAS, The COVID-19 pandemic has placed an incredible burden on
2 the people of Washington state, both through the loss of loved ones
3 and through financial hardship; and

4 WHEREAS, The economic impacts of COVID-19 have created
5 vulnerability and the need for support in many working families in
6 our state; and

7 WHEREAS, Community support and generous assistance can be a line
8 of support, hope, and safety for vulnerable populations; and

9 WHEREAS, Washington Kids in Transition (WAKIT) is a group that
10 works in Edmonds, WA to provide support to income-eligible Edmonds
11 families; and

12 WHEREAS, WAKIT assists residents who have children in the Edmonds
13 School District, providing housing and basic living assistance; and

14 WHEREAS, As part of the City of Edmonds Housing and Supplementary
15 Relief Program WAKIT distributed more than \$215,000 to qualifying
16 Edmonds School District families; and

17 WHEREAS, Their good work has been further validated by the recent
18 award of a \$129,000 Student Learning Support Grant from the state
19 Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI); and

20 WHEREAS, WAKIT is also a supporter of the Edmonds Hub (E-Hub),
21 which provides access to meals, stable technology, tutoring,
22 educational support materials, and access to laundry services, all

1 for students and families who qualify for McKinney-Vento and
2 foster care; and

3 WHEREAS, WAKIT has gone above and beyond to ensure that our
4 most vulnerable children and families are able to safely receive
5 extra care and support during these difficult times;

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State
7 Senate recognize Washington Kids in Transition for the
8 generosity, support, and assistance they provide to their
9 community.

10 I, Brad Hendrickson, Secretary of the Senate,
11 do hereby certify that this is a true and
12 correct copy of Senate Resolution 8613,
13 adopted by the Senate
14 March 18, 2021

15 BRAD HENDRICKSON
16 Secretary of the Senate