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Introduced by **SENATOR PIA S. CAYETANO**

A RESOLUTION

COMMENDING THE WORLD VISION IN THE PHILIPPINES ON THE OCCASION OF ITS GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION IN DECEMBER 2007 AND FOR ITS CONTRIBUTION TO THE FILIPINO PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY THE CHILDREN AND THE POOREST OF THE POOR, FOR THE PAST FIFTY YEARS

WHEREAS, Through the years, World Vision strategically responded to the needs of the poorest of the poor all over the country in the form of education, health, economic assistance and many other projects;

WHEREAS, in the early 1980's, World Vision started its community development projects with the aim of empowering the poorest of the poor by engaging different stakeholders including the government and the churches;

WHEREAS, World Vision consistently partners with community-based organizations in facilitating transformational development;

WHEREAS, From orphanages, the World Vision's approach evolved to helping families eventually help themselves and their children;

WHEREAS, since 1957, more than five million children and adults directly benefited from World Vision's programs and projects worth more than US\$600 million dollars of accumulated funding over a period of 50 years, including capacity-building and actual implementation of livelihood and other projects that eventually improved people's lives;

WHEREAS, as it is the organization's commitment to be responsive in times of disaster, World Vision promptly and appropriately responded to emergency situations like the Ormoc landslide, Mt. Pinatubo eruption, Quezon Province mudslide, refugees and internally displaced people in times of conflicts, earthquake in Baguio City and typhoons affecting people from different parts of the country;

WHEREAS, as a result of these efforts, the national and local government recognized World Vision as the Best NGO in Disaster and Emergency Response;

WHEREAS, World Vision also significantly contributes in expanding and improving the TB program implementation in the country;

WHEREAS, Through its "*Kusog Baga*" or Healthy Lungs and Social Mobilization (SMT) against TB Projects, the cure rate of TB reached more than 85%, the acceptable standards of the Department of Health (DOH) and World Health Organization (WHO);

WHEREAS, World Vision is now considered as major stakeholder in the fight against TB having invested millions of dollars for TB projects through the support of generous donors all over the world that have helped thousands of TB patients and their families;

WHEREAS, World Vision also responds to child labor issues by directly assisting more than 50,000 child laborers from different parts of the country through its *Pag-aaral ng Bata para sa Kinabukasan* (ABK) Project, a special project for combating child labor through education;


WHEREAS, World Vision's contribution to peace building especially in the southern part of the country has made a difference especially in improving the relationships of Christians, Muslims and Indigenous People;

WHEREAS, a sponsored child of World Vision received an award from Civicus World Assembly in Finland as ambassador of peace; a clear manifestation of the organization's efforts to encourage children in ways appropriate to their age and capacity as peace advocates;

WHEREAS, World Vision continues its holistic ministry to achieve fullness of life for every child in 31 provinces and 38 cities all over the country with more than 110,000 currently sponsored children supported by an annual budget of over US\$20 million.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Senate of the Philippines commend the World Vision in the Philippines on the occasion of its golden anniversary celebration on December 2007 and for its contribution to the Filipino people for the past fifty years.

Adopted,


PIA S. CAYETANO
Senator