

**SENATE RESOLUTION
1996-8702**

By Senators Prince and West

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Washington State Senate to recognize citizens who act with courage and compassion in life-threatening situations; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Porter exemplified these qualities when visiting her husband, Technical Sergeant Dane Porter, while he was stationed in Pisa, Italy, for Operation Deny Flight in support of NATO peace efforts in Bosnia; and

WHEREAS, The life of an Italian citizen was saved by the prompt action of Elizabeth Porter in administering mouth-to-mouth resuscitation; and

WHEREAS, The actions of Elizabeth Porter reflect honor on the Washington Air National Guard, the state of Washington, and the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Porter has been awarded the Washington Air National Guard "Guardsmen's Medal" bestowed upon individuals whose actions save a life and bring credit to the Washington Air National Guard;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate pay tribute to Elizabeth Porter for her heroic and compassionate act of saving the life of a stranger; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Technical Sergeant Dane Porter and Mrs. Elizabeth Porter; to Major General Gregory Barlow, Adjutant General, Washington State Military Department; Brigadier General Frank Scoggins, Adjutant General, Washington Air National Guard; Brigadier General Selectee James McDevitt, State Director of Operations, Washington Air National Guard; Colonel Walter L. Hodgen, Commander, 141 Air Refueling Wing, Washington Air National Guard at Fairchild Air Force Base; and the Honorable Jack Geraghty, Mayor of Spokane.

I, Marty Brown, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 1996-8702,
adopted by the Senate March 4, 1996.

MARTY BROWN
Secretary of the Senate