

**SENATE RESOLUTION
1997-8658**

By Senators Deccio, McAuliffe, Sheldon, Prentice, Rossi, Wood, Heavey, Sellar, Rasmussen, Swanson, Spanel, Haugen and Long

WHEREAS, Frances E. George, O.M.I., was installed as a bishop for the Catholic Diocese of Yakima in July of 1990; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Frances E. George, a humble and devout man, gained the love and respect of all the people of the Diocese of Yakima; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure as bishop of Yakima, Bishop Frances E. George honored the Washington State Senate by offering the opening prayer during the 1995 Legislative session; and

WHEREAS, In 1996, Bishop France E. George was elevated to archbishop of the Catholic Diocese of Portland and quickly won the hearts of the people of Oregon; and

WHEREAS, just this week, the Most Rev. Frances E. George, archbishop of Portland, was appointed by Pope John Paul II to become the new archbishop of the Chicago Diocese, which was formerly led by the late Cardinal Joseph Bernadin;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate wishes Archbishop Frances George God speed and best wishes in his newly appointed position with the Catholic Diocese of Chicago; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate immediately transmit this resolution to Archbishop Frances George at the Catholic Diocese of Chicago.

I, Mike O'Connell, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 1997-8658,
adopted by the Senate April 15, 1997.

MIKE O'CONNELL
Secretary of the Senate