

**SENATE RESOLUTION
1997-8670**

By Senator Haugen

WHEREAS, May 15 marks the 10th Anniversary of Navy Kids Day at Whidbey Island Naval Air Station; and

WHEREAS, This day brings joy, smiles, and self-esteem to as many as 700 special-needs children every year; and

WHEREAS, Founder Harvey Jansma of Camano Island and hundreds of volunteers help organize the annual event; and

WHEREAS, The children enjoy a free lunch, live entertainment, music, aerial displays, and hands-on opportunities to explore aircraft, parachutes, and Navy equipment; and

WHEREAS, A uniformed Navy or Marine escort is matched with each child for the day, leading to new friendships and pen pal correspondence;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington State Senate does hereby honor Harvey Jansma for his tireless dedication and commitment to special-needs children; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate also recognize co-coordinator Sara McGruder, KOMO-TV, the men and women of Whidbey Island Naval Air Station, Whidbey Island Bank, Mike Pegram and McDonald's, Mr. Bruce Mouw and the Stanwood High School Band, The Camano Islanders— singing group, and hundreds of volunteers responsible for the annual success of Navy Kids Day.

I, Mike O'Connell, Secretary of the Senate,
do hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy of Senate Resolution 1997-8670,
adopted by the Senate April 23, 1997.

MIKE O'CONNELL
Secretary of the Senate