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MEDIA ADVISORY: Schultheis to recognize Compassion with legislative tribute lauding organization for milestone

State Sen. Dave Schultheis will extend official congratulations—by way of a state legislative tribute—to Colorado Springs-based Compassion International for reaching its 1 millionth concurrently sponsored child and for serving more than 2 million children around the world since the organization began its mission in 1952.

The veteran Springs lawmaker will present the tribute to the organization's leadership at a ceremony Wednesday at 9 a.m. at Compassion's Global Ministry Center, located at 12290 Voyager Parkway in Colorado Springs. The media will have a chance to interview Schultheis, a businessman with 30 years of experience and state senator from the 9th District, to hear his reflections on an organization that, for the past 57 years, has released children from poverty and become an important mainstay of the Colorado Springs community. Media also will have the opportunity to interview Compassion President and CEO Wess Stafford on the organization's milestone achievement and on his vision for Compassion moving forward.

Compassion International is the world's largest Christian child-development organization working to free children from poverty. Founded in 1952, Compassion tackles global poverty one child at a time, serving more than 1 million children in 25 of the world's poorest countries.

WHO: Sen. Dave Schultheis, Compassion International CEO Wess Stafford

WHAT: Presentation of legislative tribute congratulating Compassion for achieving an important milestone

WHERE: Compassion's Global Ministry Center, 12290 Voyager Parkway in Colorado Springs

WHEN: Wednesday, June 24 at 9 a.m.

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