



CLIMATE QUILT CAMPAIGN TO ACTIVATE, INFORM & UNITE CHILDREN WORLDWIDE – FROM CHINA TO TRENTON – THROUGH THEIR PLEDGES TO SAVE THE ENVIRONMENT

**Event at PS 3 in New York City Brings Children and Leaders Together to Unveil
First Panels of Historic “Climate Quilt” Made by Children from as far as Australia**

SEPTEMBER 21, 2009 (New York, NY) – The Climate Quilt Campaign (www.climatequilt.org), an international initiative to activate and inspire children to band together around their pledges to protect the future of the environment, will launch on Wednesday, September 23, when the first panels of the historic “Climate Quilt” are unveiled at PS 3 in Manhattan. The Climate Quilt will continue to attract patches from children around the world who are united in the cause. The Climate Quilt Campaign kick-off coincides with Global Climate Week and the United Nations Secretary-General's High Level Summit on Climate Change.

“With children fearing the future of the planet more than ever before, we know this is the right time and place to begin a campaign so kids can express themselves and take action,” says Sharon Lowe, founder of the Climate Quilt Campaign. “Fear is an obstacle to change. A united front is the answer. And who better to unite than those with the greatest to lose from climate change – the planet’s children. The quilt, we hope, will unite them in a tangible way.”

Children in every country and city throughout the world can get involved through their schools or individually to have their pledge patch included by going to www.climatequilt.org. The goal is to have the finished quilt on display in Copenhagen during the UN conference on climate change. Leading up to Copenhagen, the quilt will be celebrated in countries on all six continents including the United Kingdom, China and Australia on the same day, in a grand gesture of solidarity as together, children promise to help protect the Earth they will one day inherit.

“We are thrilled to be working with New York’s school children and inspirational projects like the Climate Quilt Campaign that activate the global youth community and raise awareness of environment issues,” said Peg Watson, founder of the Green Schools Alliance. “This Climate Quilt creates an opportunity to give a voice to our children and is a symbol of their deep commitment to preserve our Earth’s great resources for all future generations.”

The campaign kick-off event in New York on September 23rd will feature children from PS 3 creating quilt patches from recycled materials and adding them to the quilt. Also present will be global environmental leaders from the Green Schools Alliance, the Climate Project and Shino Tanikawa, a highly regarded environmental leader and parent, who will speak to the students about the perils we all face and the action they must take to change the destiny of their planet and their lives.

For more information please visit www.climatequilt.org.

About Climate Quilt Campaign

Climate Quilt Campaign was created by Habitat Heroes (www.habitaheroes.com) and the Green Schools Alliance (www.greenschoolsalliance.org) and is an effort to tangibly connect children worldwide around the issue of Climate Change. The campaign is designed to empower youth, raise awareness, build global community, and be the voice of children around the world who are pledging to do their part to help protect our shared future. Children are using recycled fabric to create the individual pledge patches that will be incorporated into one big unified quilt. The quilt will ultimately be a representation of children's hopes and dreams for the future of the Earth and their pledge to do their part to protect the environment.