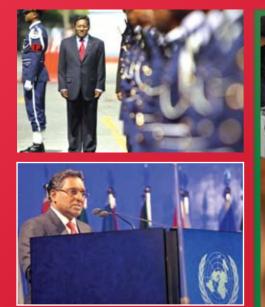


## A TRUE HUMANIST AND A STATESMAN: OF, BY AND FOR THE PEOPLE



His Excellency Dr. Mohamed Waheed Hassan is the 5th President of the one of the most well known voices on foreign relations, education, human rights, democracy and freedom in the Maldives. In 1989, against recorded up to that point in the history of the nation. During his tenure in office, Human Rights bill in Maldives.

Waheed tried to protect his constituents Lesotho, Mozambique, Tanzania, Nations to play a lead role in the those who were arrested for political the rights of his constituents organizing remote areas of the country and helped became the head of the UNICEF office a 'black ribbon campaign' and wearing a black ribbon to Parliament. It was indeed a historical moment when has dedicated his life to the betterment many achievements that were under Dr. Waheed's leadership, for the of humanity both at home and abroad. attributed to UNICEF. These include first time in the administration's history In the Maldives, he served on a enrolling 5 million children in school, there was an organized confrontation with the people defying the will of a government that robbed its people of their most basic and fundamental human rights.

As President of Maldives, he



promoted democracy and economic University of Singapore and Member development and paved the way for of the Board of Directors of Saudi Maldives. He is the first Maldivian to free and fair elections. With his vision Arabia's Red Sea Mega Project. receive a PhD, having received it from for a prosperous future, he firmed the Stanford University - is recognized as country's economic base, stabilized IlhamHussainrunstheMaldivesAutism its deficit, and strengthened trade and Association in addition to her other cultural relations between Maldives responsibilities along with President and other Asian countries. Dr. Waheed has also played a very crucial role as Ilham are mainly responsible for the overwhelming odds, he also won a seat a freelance consultant with various UN in Parliament with the highest majority agencies. He has worked with UNDP its implications in the island nation. (the United Nations Development number of government committees vaccinating 6 million children and and commissions, as well as with the providing health services, water Education Ministry.

> Distinguished Fellow at the Lee Kuan international staff from twenty Yew School of Public Policy, National different countries.

Dr. Waheed's wife Madam Waheed. Dr. Waheed along with Madam growth of awareness about autism and

Dr. Waheed is a specialist in Fund) and UNESCO (the United Nations international development and he was the first person to introduce a Education, Scientific and Cultural education. After the fall of the Taliban, Organization) in order to develop Dr. Waheed went to Afghanistan on As a member of parliament, Dr. educational programs for Swaziland, a special mission from the United who were imprisoned, including all Bangladesh and the South Pacific reconstruction of the country. Soon Islands. In Tanzania, he supported the Dr. Waheed became crucial to the dissidence. Dr. Waheed protested for Government to establish schools in running of the Ministry. He then lay the foundation for developing a in Kabul. While he was Representative quality primary education system.He for UNICEF Afghanistan, there were and sanitation. Dr. Waheed headed Dr. Waheed is currently Visiting an organization of 250 Afghan and



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