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Global Fund making big strides to beat diseases

Thanks to Gail Golson for her important Marin Voice column about news from our world's pandemics of tuberculosis, AIDS and malaria ("Tuberculosis is serious threat around the world," Oct. 10). While any global disease is only a plane ride away from us, the good news is the Global Fund to fight them was fully funded for the next three years. That means 16 million more lives will be saved, over 200 million infections prevented and hope continues to finally control these killers of mankind.

How did this happen? Constituents across the nation asked for, and received, bipartisan support from their members of Congress. Couple this news with the Noble Prize for economics being awarded for work to end poverty and there is hope indeed for a better world. Why not add your voice: Thanking your representatives for their work and encouraging them to continue this kind of hope building initiatives.

— *Willie Dickerson, Snohomish*

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