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WASHINGTON, D.C. OCTOBER 3, 1969---U.S. Senator Bob Dole (R-Kans.)
said today the Senate passage of a joint resolution requesting the
President designate Oct. 28 as a "Day of Bread" is an "important
effort in the promotion of greater international cooperation and
understanding."

Introduced by Dole in July, the resolution was
co-sponsored by 21 other Senators.

In addition to designating Oct. 28 as a Day of
Bread, the resolution calls for setting aside the last week of
October as a period of harvest festival.

"Designation of a Day of Bread and a Harvest
Festival week would be proper recognition of the essential
role that wheat and the products of wheat play in our daily
lives," Dole said.

"Wheat provides more nourishment for people of
the world than any other food. Fields of the ripe, golden grain
represent a way of life not only for the growers, but for the
almost one billion consumers."

Representing the leading wheat-producing state in
the nation, Dole said, "Such an occasion in the U.S. would lend
support and encouragement to our entire domestic wheat industry
which comprises the most widespread agricultural occupation in
the U.S."

He noted that a Day of Bread and a Harvest
Festival are annual observances in West Germany, Austria and
England and are being planned in Central and South America, the
Orient, Sweden and Switzerland.

"The fact that our Day of Bread is being
coordinated with other countries is evidence that the role of
wheat in meeting man's needs goes beyond national boundaries,"
Dole said.

"This is an important effort in the promotion
of greater international cooperation and understanding."

The joint resolution passed the House of
Representatives earlier.