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MONEY FOR POWHATTAN SCHOOL

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Senators Bob Dole and James Pearson announced today the reservation of \$794,500 for construction of a new Junior-Senior High School at Powhattan, Kansas. The funds are made available for construction purposes for schools in federally impacted areas that serve school children living on military bases and Indian reservations.

The Powhattan School district is attended by a majority of the Kickapoo Indian children living on the reservation near Powhattan, making the Powhattan school district eligible for federal assistance. The existing school building was recently condemned by the State Department of Health and construction funds were needed if the Powhattan school was to be maintained. Dole said it was "important that the Powhattan school not be forced to close because of a shortage of long-overdue construction funds. Today's announcement appears to secure Powhattan school's future."

The fund reservation announced today preserves \$794,500 for the project and authorizes the school to continue to develop a construction program. Once the plans are complete, the Office of Education will certify the final federal share for the project.

Adequate funds for the Indian School Construction projects were assured for the coming year by a Dole amendment offered on the Senate floor to the 1974 Labor-HEW Appropriation Bill. The Dole amendment was the only amendment accepted by the Senate during debate on the floor.

Pearson said, "Under PL 815, construction funds for Federally impacted schools have never been adequate. I am very pleased with this response by the Office of Education to the needs of the Powhattan District."

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