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DOLE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES WEEK PASSES SENATE

WASHINGTON -- Today, a resolution introduced by Senator Bob Dole (R.-Kansas) designating National High School Activities Week passed the Senate. This resolution had very strong bi-partisan support and is now awaiting action in the House of Representatives.

Dole said, "We all recognize the value of an academic education, but many of us fail to remember how essential extracurricular activities are in building a sense of responsibility, confidence and leadership skills."

"Through directed, organized high school activities, students learn to participate in programs such as sports, debate, student government, honor societies, school newspapers, and theater," Dole said. "Such activities serve to develop a spirit of cooperation, in striving for a common goal."

"These programs, regardless of their specific nature, are all designed to develop skills that enhance the knowledge achieved in the classroom," said Dole. "Often the students become involved in community affairs and this involvement instills in them an early sense of civic duty."

"While highlighting the many rewards that high school activities hold for young people, we must not overlook the dedicated teachers and other professionals who take the time and effort to make these programs possible," continued Dole. "Their efforts often go unrewarded and barely recognized, and they deserve some appreciation from all of us."