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KANSANS NAMED TO WHEAT INDUSTRY COUNCIL

Washington -- Senator Bob Dole (R.-Kansas) today announced that three Kansans are among the twenty members and twenty alternates selected to serve on the Wheat Industry Council which will administer a national research and education program for wheat and wheat foods.

Senator Dole said, "The Wheat Industry Council was created as a provision of the 1977 Farm Bill through an amendment I offered on the Senate floor. The council will seek ways to improve the quality of wheat and to encourage more efficient use of wheat in the American diet."

"The council was approved by a referendum of wheat end product manufacturers, primarily wholesale bakers, last March. It will be funded by assessments on processed wheat purchased by certain manufacturers of products such as bread, cake, cookies, cereal or pasta," Dole said.

Kansans appointed by Secretary of Agriculture, Bob Bergland are Earl Hayes, Stafford, Kansas; H.D. Hale, Shawnee Mission, Kansas; and R.G. Myers, Shawnee Mission, Kansas.

The council is composed equally of wheat producers, processors, end product manufacturers and consumers. Hayes is an alternate representing wheat producers. Hale, President of ADM Milling Company is representing wheat processors as a member, and R.G. Myers, Executive Vice President of Seaboard Allied Milling Corp., will be an alternate.

Dole said, "I'm pleased to see Kansans involved in the council, and I hope that their participation will help to expand the demand for wheat and wheat products."