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DOLE PRAISES 410th EVAC UNIT FROM TOPEKA--KANSAS HOSPITAL RECEIVES HIGHEST AWARD IN ARMY RESERVE

WASHINGTON -- In a <u>Congressional Record</u> statement, Kansas Senator Bob Dole has saluted the 410th Army Evacuation Hospital from Topeka, Kansas, for receiving the Army's highest honor in the area of maintenance management.

The text of Senator Dole's statement follows:

## THE 410TH EVAC RECEIVES HIGHEST AWARD

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, with our Nation's Armed Forces strength dependent upon its readiness, it is encouraging to know that maintenance management by our reserve units is being accorded recognition.

The Senator from Kansas is particularly pleased to report that the 410th Army Evacuation Hospital from Topeka, Kans., has been singled out for the highest honor a unit can achieve in the area of maintenance management by the Chief of Staff of

the Army.

The 300 members of this unit have given unselfishly of their time and efforts, whether supplementing an active duty hospital during summer training or standing by on call in Topeka, Kans. It is a model for readiness, maintenance training, maintenance management, and cost control. Under the command of Col. Donald E. Clark and with the leadership of Sfc. Steven Hansford, this group of physicians, dentists, medical technicians, supply specialists, food service personnel, and maintenance staff has been singled out for recognition by both the American Defense Preparedness Association and the Chief of the Army Reserves during recent ceremonies here in Washington.

Mr. President, at a time when we are all deeply concerned about fiscal responsibility and preparedness, the Senator from Kansas is proud to cite this group, casually known as the 410th EVAC, which has set an example as the best maintained unit in the U.S. Army Reserve.