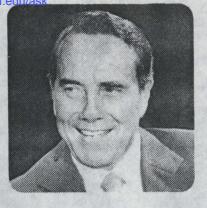
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DOLE RECOMMENDS FIRST DISABLED AMERICAN FOR APPOINTMENT TO UNITED STATES COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

WASHINGTON -- Republican Leader Bob Dole (R-KS) today announced his recommendation of Russell G. Redenbaugh of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania for appointment to the United States Commission on Civil Rights.

"Russell Redenbaugh is a profile in courage and achievement who will be a tremendous addition to the Commission. He knows first hand the real life challenges confronting people with disabilities," Dole said.

"Traditionally, civil rights has been focused almost exclusively on discrimination based on race, color, and creed. But one area that deserves far more emphasis is discrimination against the disabled. By appointing a disabled American to the Commission, we have an historic opportunity not only to expand the Commission's scope but also to send a clear signal across America that disabled does not mean un-able. I am confident that Russell will be a key player on the civil rights front".

Mr. Redenbaugh--Partner and Director of the investment management firm Cooke & Bieler, Incorporated of Philadelphia, and Chairman of the Board of High Technologies, Incorporated of Emeryville, California--will be the first disabled American appointed to the Commission. At age 17, Redenbaugh was blinded and lost most of his hands in a supleminary was a suplementation. lost most of his hands in an explosion. He is an accomplished author, executive, financial and economic strategist, and teacher, who graduated from the University of Utah, magna cum laude. He continued his education and received an MBA from the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, graduating sixth in his class with honors. Redenbaugh resides in Philadelphia with his wife, Patty, and four children, Micah, David, Allie, and James.

The Commission is charged with investigating whether certain citizens of the United States are being deprived of their right to to study and collect information concerning developments constituting discrimination or denial of equal protection; appraise laws and policies of the Federal Government with respect to discrimination or denial of equal protection; and to serve as a national clearinghouse for information.

Redenbaugh's official appointment will be announced by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate later today.