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DOLE WINS PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD; HONORED FOR COMMITMENT TO SERVING OTHERS

WASHINGTON - SENATOR BOB DOLE TUESDAY NIGHT WAS PRESENTED WITH THE HONOR ROLL PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD BY THE WASHINGTON CENTER FOR INTERNSHIPS AND ACADEMIC SEMINARS. THE WASHINGTON CENTER HONORED DOLE FOR HIS 40 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE, AND HIS COMMITMENT TO INSPIRING AMERICA'S YOUTH TO ENTER GOVERNMENT.

"AS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS DEVOTED HIS LIFE TO NATIONAL SERVICE, SENATOR DOLE EXEMPLIFIES MANY OF THE ASPIRATIONS WE HOLD FOR OUR INTERNS," SAID WILLIAM BURKE, PRESIDENT OF THE WASHINGTON CENTER.

"I AM PLEASED TO ACCEPT THIS SPECIAL AWARD," DOLE TOLD THE 400 ATTENDEES AT THE AWARDS BANQUET. "GOVERNMENT WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO COMPETE WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR FOR TALENTED YOUNG PEOPLE. SO IT WILL ALWAYS BE SOMETHING SPECIAL THAT DRAWS PEOPLE INTO GOVERNMENT. FOR MANY YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN, IT'S A DEDICATION TO PUBLIC SERVICE."

THE WASHINGTON CENTER ALSO HERALDED DOLE FOR EXPOSING HUNDREDS OF KANSAS STUDENTS TO THE AMERICAN POLITICAL PROCESS THROUGH HIS INTERNSHIP PROGRAM. THE WASHINGTON CENTER IS THE LARGEST INDEPENDENT, NON-PROFIT EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION FOR INTERNSHIPS AND ACADEMIC SEMINARS FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS IN THE NATION'S CAPITAL.