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SENATOR DOLE TO RECEIVE TOP HONOR FROM NEDA FOR HIS LEADERSHIP IN ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

WASHINGTON - Senate Minority Leader Bob Dole (R-Ks) will receive the Thomas A. Young Distinguished Service Award from the National Environmental Development Association (NEDA). He is the only Member of Congress being honored at NEDA's annual dinner this evening.

The award is given annually to an elected official who has demonstrated leadership through balancing commitments to the environment and that nation's economic health. Senator Dole was selected for the organization's top honor because of his long service on behalf of the sensible reconciliation of environmental and economic concerns in forging national policy. He played an instrumental role in crafting compromise clean air legislation and in the recent votes on the permitting and enforcement provisions of the Senate version of the Clear Air Act, while balancing the need for air quality with potential consumer costs and job losses. Senator Dole also authored several amendments included in the Act vital to the state of Kansas.

Senator Dole will receive the award at NEDA's dinner this evening, June 20, 7:00 p.m., Cannon House Office Building Caucus Room.