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DOLE APPOINTS BEA GWIN BACON TO WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE ON AGING POLICY COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON - Kansas Senator Bob Dole today announced his appointment of Bea Gwin Bacon of Olathe to the 1995 White House Conference on Aging Policy Committee.

"Bea Bacon has been an effective leader on aging issues both in Kansas and nationwide for many years," said Dole. "Her genuine commitment to the elderly is especially valuable to our state which has a growing population of those over age 65. Bea will bring a wealth of experience and Kansas common sense to the Committee," Dole added.

The White House Conference on Aging was authorized by Congress in an amendment to the Older Americans Act of 1992. The 25-member Policy Committee, comprised of members from the public and private sectors, will hold meetings nationwide next year to give citizens the opportunity to discuss concerns and to make recommendations regarding the elderly.

Bacon, with over 20 years of advocacy and volunteer experience on aging issues, has served on numerous county, state, and national aging organizations. She is the Founder of the Kansas Coalition on Aging and the Central States Coalition on Aging. She was an official observer to the 1981 White House Conference on Aging.

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