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DOLE PROPOSAL FOR PRESERVATION STUDY OF AMELIA EARHART'S ATCHISON HOME APPROVED BY SENATE

WASHINGTON - The U.S. Senate late Tuesday approved Kansas Senator Bob Dole's request of \$90,000 for a National Park Service preservation study of aviation pioneer Amelia Earhart's childhood home in Atchison, Kansas. The project was included in the 1995 Interior Appropriations Bill expected to be approved by the Senate today.

"The Amelia Earhart home is a major asset for the City of Atchison, the state of Kansas, and the nation. Establishing this location as one of four National Historic Sites in Kansas would help tell the inspirational story of this courageous aviation pioneer who enjoys a significant place in American history," said Dole. "This study, upon final approval of funding, will examine the viability of Park Service involvement in the site and allow for public hearings on the project in Atchison."

The bill will go to a joint House/Senate conference committee to work out differences with legislation passed by the House.