

*Bob Dole*



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**DOLE PROPOSAL FOR MONROE SCHOOL & BROWN FOUNDATION**  
**WINS FINAL SENATE APPROVAL**

WASHINGTON - Kansas Senator Bob Dole's request for a \$107,298 grant earmarked for the Brown Foundation in Topeka won final approval in the U.S. Senate today. The funds will enable the Brown Foundation to assist the National Park Service in the development of Topeka's Monroe Elementary School as a National Historic Site. The project was included in the 1995 Interior Department Appropriations Bill, which now heads for the President's desk to be signed into law.

"Brown v. Board of Education was a landmark in our nation's historic struggle for civil rights. This funding will allow the Brown Foundation to supplement the services supplied by the National Park Service," said Dole.

"The Brown Foundation provides a number of essential services to the Park Service including written training materials for park interpreters, oral histories on the context and impact of the Brown decision, and coordination of a resource library," Dole added.

The draft management plan for the site is expected to be completed in October and will allow the National Park Service to begin repair and replacement of the building's basic utilities. In 1993, the Senate approved Senator Dole's request for \$175,000 to acquire the Monroe School property. The School was designated a National Historic Site on October 26, 1992.

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