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## MISS USA

DOLE TO WELCOME "MISS USA" TO WASHINGTON;  
LIBERAL, KANSAS NATIVE KELLI McCARTY TO MEET PRESIDENT BUSH

WASHINGTON -- AT THE INVITATION OF SENATE REPUBLICAN LEADER BOB DOLE (R-KANSAS), "MISS USA 1991" KELLI McCARTY OF LIBERAL, KANSAS WILL VISIT THE NATION'S CAPITAL ON MONDAY, APRIL 22ND.

DOLE TODAY ANNOUNCED THAT HE WILL ALSO INTRODUCE McCARTY TO PRESIDENT BUSH AT A MORNING MEETING IN THE OVAL OFFICE, FOLLOWED BY A SENATE RECEPTION IN HER HONOR IN THE U.S. CAPITOL, TO BE CO-HOSTED BY DOLE AND SENATOR NANCY KASSEBAUM (R-KANSAS).

"KANSANS WERE MIGHTY PROUD OF KELLI AS 'MISS KANSAS,' BUT WE'RE EVEN PROUDER NOW THAT SHE IS REPRESENTING AMERICA AS 'MISS USA,'" DOLE SAID. "IT SEEMS APPROPRIATE THAT 'MISS USA' COMES FROM THE HEARTLAND OF AMERICA, AND NOTHING EXEMPLIFIES THE HEARTLAND MORE THAN HER HOMETOWN OF LIBERAL, KANSAS."

KELLI McCARTY WAS CROWNED "MISS USA" ON FEBRUARY 22ND AT THE NATIONAL PAGEANT IN WICHITA, AN EVENT SEEN BY MORE THAN 300 MILLION TELEVISION VIEWERS IN 30 COUNTRIES. KELLI IS THE FIRST "MISS USA" TO HAIL FROM KANSAS.

KELLI WILL REPRESENT THE UNITED STATES AT THE "MISS UNIVERSE" PAGEANT ON MAY 17TH IN LAS VEGAS. SHE WILL ALSO BE FEATURED IN A STAR-STUDED U.S.O. ENTERTAINMENT TOUR FOR AMERICAN SOLDIERS. HER PATRIOTIC CORRESPONDENCE WITH KANSAS SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN DURING OPERATION DESERT STORM EARNED HER A UNIQUE DISTINCTION -- AN F-16 FIGHTER NAMED AFTER HER BY THE 184TH TACTICAL FIGHTER GROUP OF THE KANSAS AIR NATIONAL GUARD.

"I LOOK FORWARD TO SALUTING KELLI FOR HER OUTSTANDING WORK ON BEHALF OF OUR NATION'S ARMED FORCES," DOLE ADDED.

PRIOR TO WINNING THE TITLE, KELLI WAS A STUDENT AT WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY. SHE IS ALSO A STUDENT PILOT, AND WAS THE ONLY FEMALE PLAYER ON HER HIGH SCHOOL MEN'S VARSITY GOLF TEAM.

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