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WASHINGTON, D.C., Oct. 27 -- U.S. Senator Bob Dole (R-Kans.) and U.S. Rep. Keith Sebelius (R-Kans.) will give miniature loaves of bread and bags of Kansas wheat to all Congressmen and Senators and many members of the Washington press corps Tuesday, to help celebrate the U.S. first participation in International Day of Bread, an event they helped begin.

The two Kansans, who represent the largest wheat-growing state in the nation, introduced identical bills in the House and Senate last summer requesting President Nixon to proclaim annually a Day of Bread, an event already observed in many foreign countries. The measure was signed into law last week.

"Wheat, the world's largest crop," Dole said, "provides more nourishment for more people throughout the world than any other food. Wheat--and especially bread--have become increasingly significant in the growing concern with assuring adequate and nutritious diets for people everywhere."

Sebelius said, "The bounty of American wheat farmers not only provides bread for U.S. consumption, but is also helping to win the international war against hunger and malnutrition. Wheat is perhaps our greatest tool for peace."

Tuesday Dole will also be an honored guest at a Washington luncheon sponsored by the American Bakers Association. On behalf of the President, Secretary of Agriculture Clifford Hardin will accept a specially-commissioned painting, "Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread", marking the occasion.