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WICHITAN VON EULERT SELECTED FOR PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER ACTION AWARD

WASHINGTON -- Senator Robert Dole (R.-Kan.) today announced that he has been notified that Mrs. Von Eulert of Wichita has been selected for the President's Volunteer Action Award. Mrs. Eulert was chosen as one of America's 18 outstanding volunteer leaders in honor of her 16 years of Red Cross volunteer service for the visually impaired.

"The hours of dedication you have devoted as a braille transcriber in developing new technology using magnetic tape, instructing volunteers, and brailleing textbooks in math and science on behalf of the visually handicapped deserve the special acknowledgment you have been accorded by the Midway-Kansas Chapter of the American Red Cross and the President's Committee," said Senator Dole in a congratulatory letter to Mrs. Eulert.

Mrs. Von Eulert has tirelessly contributed 40-50 work hours per week since she began pioneering braille services in 1966. In that year, she became the first braille transcriber to be certified by the Library of Congress in math and science, and she currently serves as Vice-Chairman of the National Braille Association. It is in large part due to the all-volunteer program that she directs that many visually impaired students throughout America are able to attend local schools rather than state institutions.

Mrs. Eulert was nominated for the award by Margot Ray, Chairman of Volunteers for the Midway-Kansas Chapter of the American Red Cross. On April 15, Mrs. Eulert will join the 17 other honorees at a luncheon in Washington with Vice President George Bush, and will meet with Senator Dole and other members of the Kansas Congressional delegation.