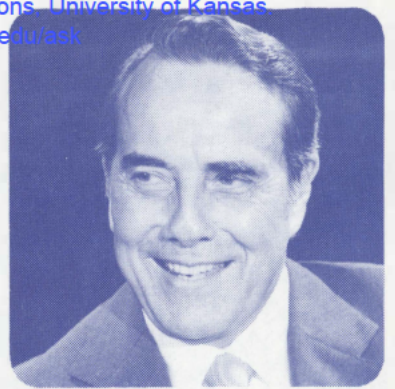


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LARRY WINN: 18 YEARS OF EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO KANSAS

WASHINGTON -- Kansas Senator Bob Dole paid tribute today to retiring Third District Congressman Larry Winn by calling him a "hardworking, selfless and committed" Representative whose presence will be missed in Washington. The following is the complete statement as contained in the October 3, 1984 Congressional Record:

WITH THE END OF THIS SESSION OF CONGRESS, THE SENATOR FROM KANSAS LOSES A COLLEAGUE OF EIGHTEEN YEARS. LARRY WINN, REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT OF KANSAS, HAS DECIDED TO LEAVE CONGRESS AND RETURN TO KANSAS CITY, THE COMMUNITY WITH WHICH HIS NAME HAS BECOME SYNONYMOUS.

LARRY'S TENACIOUS SPIRIT AND HEARTFELT DEDICATION TO HIS CONSTITUENTS HAVE LONG BEEN NOTED IN MY STATE. THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS' THIRD DISTRICT ARE JUSTIFIABLY PROUD OF THEIR CONGRESSMAN -- AND THEY VOICED THAT APPROVAL BY ELECTING LARRY TO 9 TERMS IN THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. BUT IT IS NOT ONLY HIS CONSTITUENTS WHO WILL MISS LARRY WINN'S SERVICE. HIS FELLOW MEMBERS ON THE HOUSE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE HAVE GAINED MUCH FROM LARRY'S LEADERSHIP AS THAT COMMITTEE'S RANKING REPUBLICAN. HIS TIRELESS EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF THE SPACE PROGRAM HAVE BEEN A BOON TO THIS COUNTRY'S GOAL TO BE NUMBER ONE IN SPACE. WHEN WE WATCH THE SPECTACULAR LAUNCH OF OUR SPACE SHUTTLE WE CAN THANK THE MEN OF VISION LIKE LARRY WINN WHO HELPED MAKE IT POSSIBLE.

THE LARRY WINN STORY IS ONE OF STRENGTH AND ACCOMPLISHMENT; A STORY OF COURAGE FROM WHICH ALL OF US CAN FIND INSPIRATION. AS A HIGH SCHOOL STAR ATHLETE, LARRY SUFFERED THE LOSS OF A LEG IN AN ACCIDENT BEFORE ATTENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS. BUT LARRY WINN DIDN'T LET THAT SETBACK SLOW HIM DOWN. IN FACT, HE USED THE EXPERIENCE TO BECOME A SPOKESMAN FOR HANDICAPPED AMERICANS. LARRY WINN WENT ON TO BECOME A DRIVING FORCE BEHIND LAWS TO END DISCRIMINATION OF THE HANDICAPPED, AND COAUTHORED THE "INTERNATIONAL DECADE OF THE DISABLED."

WHEN THE QUESTION IS ASKED, "DID LARRY WINN MAKE A DIFFERENCE?", THE ANSWER CAN EASILY BE FOUND BY TALKING TO THE GOOD PEOPLE OF THE THIRD DISTRICT. YOU SEE, REPRESENTATIVE WINN'S CONSTITUENT SERVICES WERE LEGENDARY. WHETHER IT WAS FINDING A LOST SOCIAL SECURITY CHECK FOR A SENIOR CITIZEN, FACILITATING THE EMIGRATION OF A LOVED ONE FOR A KANSAS FAMILY, OR RESPONDING QUICKLY TO A LETTER FROM A CONCERNED CONSTITUENT, CONGRESSMAN WINN WAS ALWAYS THERE. HE WAS HARDWORKING, SELFLESS AND COMMITTED, BUT ABOVE ALL, HIS HALLMARK WAS INTEGRITY.

THE SENATOR FROM KANSAS HAS ENJOYED THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK ALONGSIDE THIS DEDICATED MAN FROM KANSAS CITY FOR NEARLY TWO DECADES. ALTHOUGH HIS PRESENCE WILL BE MISSED, OUR FRIENDSHIP WILL REMAIN CLOSE AT HAND. LET THIS SENATOR STATE THAT LARRY STILL HAS PLENTY TO OFFER TO THOSE OF US IN CONGRESS IN THE YEARS TO COME, AND WE WILL KEEP IN TOUCH.