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DOLE TO BE HONORED FOR LIFE SERVICE TO VETERANS

Washington, D.C. -- Kansas Senator Bob Dole will receive the fifth annual "Life Service to Veterans" award tonight from the Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA) and the Vietnam Veterans Institute (VVI).

The award is intended to recognize outstanding Americans who through public or voluntary service have made consistent, dedicated contributions to the well-being of America's veterans.

In announcing Dole's selection, PVA executive director R. Jack Powell said, "For more than 40 years, Senator Dole has actively served his fellow veterans. His courage and success as a disabled veteran have been an inspiration to many others with a disability and have focused attention on the fact that all people should be judged on their abilities, not their disabilities."

J. Eldon Yates, Chairman of the Board of VVI, added, "This award symbolizes our deep appreciation of Senator Dole's personal and legislative accomplishments, which have done much to vastly improve programs and benefits for our nation's veterans."

The ceremony will include the unveiling of a specially commissioned oil portrait of Senator Dole, painted by VVI board member and artist, Tom Nielsen. Approximately 1000 people are expected to attend tonight's event in the Madison Building of the Library of Congress, including 20 Senators and 51 Representatives.

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