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## DOLE HAILS "BOB JONES" DECISION

### SUPREME COURT STRIKES DOWN TAX BREAKS FOR DISCRIMINATION

WASHINGTON -- Kansas Senator Bob Dole today hailed the U.S. Supreme Court's 8 to 1 ruling that upholds the federal government's authority to deny tax breaks to private schools that discriminate.

"I am pleased and heartened by the Court's ruling which clarifies a longstanding legal controversy regarding the authority of the Internal Revenue Service to deny tax exemptions to racially discriminatory private schools," Dole said.

Dole, the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, which has jurisdiction over taxes, noted that the Court fulfilled its constitutional role in resolving the difficult legal and constitutional problems surrounding the "Bob Jones" case.

"The justices have made it quite clear that our fundamental national policy is to combat racial discrimination. We shouldn't tolerate racial discrimination, nor should we subsidize it through tax breaks," Dole said.

The Senator also noted that even the dissenting opinion on the high court agreed with the majority that condemning racial bias is indeed a national priority and that Congress had the authority to implement that policy by denying tax breaks to schools that practice racial discrimination.