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DOLE PICKS KANSAN FOR NATIONAL AIDS COMMISSION

WASHINGTON -- SENATE REPUBLICAN LEADER BOB DOLE (R-KS.) TODAY CHOSE DR. CHARLES KONIGSBERG, DIRECTOR OF HEALTH FOR THE KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT, TO SERVE ON THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON AIDS.

DR. KONIGSBERG, DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SINCE LAST OCTOBER, WILL BECOME ONE OF 15 HEALTH POLICY EXPERTS TO SIT ON THE COMMISSION, WHICH IS CHARGED WITH DEVELOPING A NATIONAL CONSENSUS ON AIDS POLICY.

"DR. KONIGSBERG BRINGS TO THE COMMISSION A WEALTH OF EXPERIENCE IN THE AREAS OF DISEASE CONTROL AND PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY, INCLUDING 15 YEARS AS A LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER," DOLE SAID. "I'M PLEASED TO HAVE FOUND SUCH A HIGHLY-QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL RIGHT IN TOPEKA."

THE COMMISSION, CREATED IN 1988, WILL STUDY THE AIDS ISSUE AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS AIMED AT PRODUCING A CONSISTENT NATIONAL POLICY ON AIDS. FURTHERMORE, IT WILL EVALUATE HOW WELL INFORMATION ON THE PREVENTION OF AIDS IS BEING DISTRIBUTED AND EXAMINE CIVIL RIGHTS ISSUES RELATING TO AIDS.

DR. KONIGSBERG IS CURRENTLY AN ADJUNCT ASSISTANT PROFESSOR AT THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS SCHOOL OF PREVENTIVE MEDICINE IN KANSAS CITY. PRIOR TO JOINING THE KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT, DR. KONIGSBERG WAS A DISTRICT HEALTH PROGRAM SUPERVISOR FOR THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES IN BROWARD COUNTY, (FT. LAUDERDALE) FLORIDA. HE HAS TAUGHT COMMUNITY MEDICINE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AND SERVED AS A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES' AIDS TASK FORCE.

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