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DOLE RATED MOST EFFECTIVE, RESPECTED GOP SENATOR
IN SURVEY OF TOP CAPITOL HILL AIDES

WASHINGTON -- IN A SURVEY OF SENIOR CONGRESSIONAL AIDES, KANSAS SENATOR BOB DOLE WAS RATED THE MOST EFFECTIVE REPUBLICAN LEGISLATOR IN CONGRESS AND THE MOST RESPECTED REPUBLICAN IN THE U.S. SENATE.

THE INDEPENDENT SURVEY, CONDUCTED IN JANUARY BY THE FLEISHMAN HILLARD PUBLIC RELATIONS FIRM, FOUND THAT A WIDE MAJORITY OF SENIOR REPUBLICAN CAPITOL HILL AIDES RATED DOLE'S ABILITY TO GET THE JOB DONE AS EXCELLENT OR VERY GOOD. DOLE ALSO WON HIGH MARKS FROM A MAJORITY OF SENIOR DEMOCRAT AIDES, WHO JOINED THEIR REPUBLICAN COUNTERPARTS IN RATING SENATOR DOLE'S LEGISLATIVE EFFECTIVENESS AS EITHER EXCELLENT OR VERY GOOD. ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY, DOLE WAS ONE OF ONLY THREE CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS -- AND THE ONLY REPUBLICAN -- NAMED BY A MAJORITY OF RESPONDENTS OF BOTH PARTIES AS HIGHLY EFFECTIVE.

IN THE CATEGORY OF MOST RESPECTED MEMBER OF THE SENATE, DOLE SHARED TOP HONORS WITH HIS DEMOCRAT COUNTERPART, SENATE MAJORITY LEADER GEORGE MITCHELL (D-MAINE). DOLE WAS RATED THE MOST RESPECTED REPUBLICAN SENATOR, WHILE MITCHELL TOPPED SENATE DEMOCRATS.

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