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**RAHALL BLESSED AS "BUDDY" OF HOME ECONOMICS**

WASHINGTON, D.C.-- ON CAPITOL HILL TODAY, REPRESENTATIVE NICK RAHALL (D-WV) WAS AWARDED THE FIRST EVER "FRIEND OF HOME ECONOMICS" AWARD FOR ALL OF HIS WORK THIS YEAR ON BEHALF OF CONSUMER AND HOMEMAKING EDUCATION. THE HONOR WAS BESTOWED ON HIM BY THE WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S CONSUMER EDUCATION DIVISION.

"ON BEHALF OF ALL OF US AT THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, I WANT TO CONGRATULATE YOU ON THIS AWARD, AND TO THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK IN INTRODUCING AND GETTING PASSED THE CONSUMER AND HOMEMAKING EDUCATION ACT, UNDER H.R. 7, WHICH REAUTHORIZES THE VOCATIONAL EDUCATION ACT," SAID JEANNE KAY TAYLOR OF MORGANTOWN. ALSO PRESENT AT THE AWARD CEREMONY WERE BETTY JO JORDAN REPRESENTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S CONSUMER AND HOMEMAKING DEPARTMENT, AND NANCY HILLEN OF THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION.

H.R. 7 PASSED THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON MAY 9, 1989. THE PROGRAM IS CURRENTLY FUNDED AT \$40 MILLION FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF PROVIDING CONSUMER AND HOMEMAKING EDUCATION PROGRAMS GEARED TOWARDS FAMILY.

"I AM PROUD TO RECEIVE THIS AWARD AND TO HELP IN ANY WAY I CAN," SAID RAHALL. "THERE IS NOTHING MORE IMPORTANT TODAY THAN TEACHING YOUNG PEOPLE HOW TO BE STABLE, CARING PARENTS OF THE NEXT GENERATION."

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