GOALS 2000: EDUCATE AMERICA ACT

Statement by Secretary Richard W. Riley, Secretary of Education

I am today announcing that the President will soon transmit to Congress the education reform bill entitled GOALS 2000: EDUCATE AMERICA ACT is to forge a new partnership in American education to, over the long term, achieve world-class teaching and learning.

No one will disagree that our educational system must be improved. GOALS 2000 raises expectations through high standards for all students and schools, and encourages state and local school reform to make those high expectations and standards a reality. Students and schools will work harder and smarter if they are given the challenge and the opportunity. Harder work will be needed and expected but it must be in the context of quality instruction and challenging curriculum.

We need school reform. Comprehensive, systemic, and sustained reform is the key to improving schools and student performance. GOALS 2000 will aid bottom-up state and local school reform, increase accountability for results while reducing red tape. It will give parents, educators, business, labor, citizens and policy makers an incentive and new opportunities to redesign education to help many more students meet challenging standards.

This bill is part of three larger themes of the Clinton presi-

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presentations, a display of race cars and street rods, a visit by crime fighting canine McGruff and a live broadcast by radio station KLUC.

Attending will be students, parents and teachers affiliated with various substance abuse prevention organizations in local schools. Those include "Just Say No," D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education), S.T.A.T.U.S. (Students Taking Action To Terminate Unlawful Substances), S.A.D.D. and other classroom groups.

More information is available by calling the Substance Abuse Education Office of the Clark County School District at 799-8413.

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The first is change. During the campaign, the President offered the nation a change from the past, a challenge to the status quo. This bill will encourage fundamental reform in schools and school systems throughout the country.

The second is opportunity and responsibility. During the campaign, Bill Clinton offered the nation a new Covenant based on increased opportunity and responsibility. By improving both

quality and equality in education nationwide, GOALS 2000 will make schools more responsible for improving results for all students

And third, and perhaps the most important, is the economy. During the campaign, President Clinton said that, once elected, he would focus on the economy like a laser beam." By encouraging educational reform across America, GOALS 2000 will help to create a high-skill, high-wage workforce that is the best in the

world.

To achieve these objectives, the President's bill contains the following primary components:

First, it encourages state and local comprehensive reform that is bottom-up, long term, and system-wide with \$393 million in federal funds. These reform efforts will be guided by lessons learned in the state and local reforms of the 1980's and early 1990's. They may include challenging curriculum standards

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THE CAL-PAC SOUTH SELECTION COMMITTEE PICKS '93 WINNERS

The CAL-PAC South Scholarship Fund, Inc. Selection Committee gathered Monday, April 19, 1993 at the Townhouse to select the 1993 High School Recipients. Thirty one (31) High School students of average ability will each receive an award of \$1,000.00 to be presented at the 20th Annual Awards Banquet on Friday, May 14, 1993 at the Los Angeles Airport Hilton Hotel, 5711 W. Century Blvd., Los Angeles, CA.; Reception: 6:00 p.m., Dinner: 7:00 p.m. Additional scholarships are being awarded to continuing education students currently attending USC (3) and UC-Urvine (1). Bernard Kinsey, Co-Chair, ReBuild LA, is the Keynote Speaker for this prestigious occasion and Lutz E. Isseleib, chairman of the Board/President/CEO for Pabst Brewing Company will receive the 1993 Humanitarian Award.

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