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LABOR-MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES CALL FOR HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS

ST. LOUIS, MO., Jan. 30, 2006 . . . The Labor-Management Committee of the Leadership Council Southwestern Illinois today announced a call for nominations for Hall of Fame inductees. The organization seeks to honor those who have significantly contributed to the improvement of relations between union and management representatives leading to labor management cooperation or employment stability or enhancement throughout the region. The nomination deadline is set for Tues., Feb. 28.

Company officials, union members or officers, educators, neutrals, attorneys representing companies or unions, and others throughout the Southwestern Illinois region and beyond are eligible. Selected examples of initiatives warranting nominations include, but are not limited to, service as a leader for a union or employer that resulted in improved or stabilized relationships between the parties; active participation in activities that strengthened the links among employers, unions, education and the community; promotion of business and public agency awareness of labor-management cooperation activities in Southwestern Illinois; assistance in preparing the workforce to meet future challenges by supporting local education initiatives for its young people; distribution of information about labor-management issues to interested parties; presentation of problem-solving or conflict resolution services to the region; promotion of economic development in the region; or assistance to economic development professionals in attracting new businesses and retaining existing businesses.

Individuals inducted into the Hall of Fame since its establishment in 1997 include Buddy Davis, Dean Turner, Bob Dosier, Byron Farrell, Paul Fultz, Harold Wright, Paul Sultan, Bill Weir, George Goeddy, E. Gayle Johnson, Tadas Kicielinski and Edward Harrick.

Honoree(s) will be determined by the Labor-Management committee and officially inducted into the Hall of Fame at the Gateway Labor-Management Conference set for mid-September 2006. A plaque recognizing Hall of Fame inductees is displayed at the Labor and Industry Museum in Belleville, Ill. Nomination forms can be obtained by calling Marv Finkelstein at (618) 650-2681.

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