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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
AT PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL
OF FREEDOM AWARDS

The East Room

11:58 A.M. EDT

THE PRESIDENT: Please be seated and thank you all very much. I've really been looking forward to one of the most distinguished duties of this office -- the privilege of presenting this nation's highest civilian honor -- the Presidential Medal of Freedom. And I will make a few comments about each of the recipients before going forward with the formal citation and the presentation of the Medal.

The first Presidential Medal recipients were chosen by President Kennedy. But soon after his death they were awarded by President Johnson, along with some of the choices made by President Kennedy. And some of the first winners included Marian Anderson, Felix Frankfurter and, of course, a posthumous medal to President Kennedy -- all American heroes.

And today I find myself standing with four more heroes who embody the achievement, vision and dedication that is the greatness of this country. You have left an indelible mark as you've enriched this nation and America is grateful.

Each one here today -- indeed all five recipients -- are pioneers. General Doolittle -- James Doolittle, a trailblazer in modern aviation. Ambassador George Kennan, truly a visionary who foresaw the future of Soviet-American relations. Senator Margaret Chase Smith, a bold achiever who stood alone against the tide of extremism. Secretary Douglas Dillon, an unparalleled public servant who shaped American foreign and economic policy. And finally, a fifth great American who is not with us, the late Lucille Ball -- first lady of television to uncountable millions worldwide.

General Jimmy Doolittle is an American war hero, a record-breaking pilot and an innovator in modern aviation. After serving his country as a flying cadet in World War I, he made the first cross-country flight with only one refueling stop. He set land and seaplane speed records. He was the first to fly blind -- by instruments only. Indeed, Jimmy Doolittle was the master of the calculated risk.

And when the United States entered World War II, General Doolittle was assigned a top secret mission that was perhaps the most daring combined operation of the whole war. He led the first offensive aerial strike on the Japanese mainland after Pearl Harbor. This courageous one-way mission electrified the world and gave America's war -- the hopes that we had -- a terrific lift.

During the war, General Doolittle also directed U.S. air power in the invasion of Africa and participated in 25 missions, including the first attack on Rome. General Doolittle is truly the father of modern aviation for his dedication above and beyond the call of duty, for his bravery and valor, and for his innovation and daring, the nation thanks him.

As a 27-year career diplomat, a renowned historian, astute professor, George Kennan has shaped the way Americans have thought about foreign policy in the postwar era. As head of the

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State Department's policy planning staff, and as Counselor of the Department, and then as Ambassador to the Soviet Union, he helped our nation understand the dangers that it faced.

He contributed mightily to the political and economic reconstruction of Europe, and after his retirement from government, Ambassador Kennan joined the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton and turned his formidable talents to scholarship. His many books, which earned him the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award, among other honors, document the diplomatic history of our modern age. And through his writings and his guidance in the Kennan Institute for Advanced Russian Studies, he has added more to our understanding of the relationship with the Soviet Union than perhaps any other individual American.

Today we stand on the threshold of a new era, a new era in our relationship with the Soviet Union -- one that looks beyond the successful strategy of containment which George Kennan did so much to develop. And so for his unique contributions to the national security of this country, the United States honors Ambassador George Kennan.

Margaret Chase Smith was the first woman in American history to be elected to both Houses of Congress, serving for 32 years, holding office under six presidents beginning with Franklin Roosevelt. Her talent, intellect and distinguished service to this country resulted in her becoming the first woman to have her name placed in nomination for president by a major political party.

Senator Smith's finest hour came when she issued the Declaration of Conscience, an historic and courageous speech denouncing McCarthyism, and she spoke out when so many others remained silent.

Senator Smith was instrumental in improving the status of women in the Armed Services and was an outspoken advocate of a strong nuclear deterrent in the face of the Soviet threat.

We honor Senator Smith today for her commitment to truth and honesty in government and in America and to strengthening America at home and abroad. She looked beyond the politics of the time to see the future of America, and made us all better for it.

The brilliant achievements of Douglas Dillon raise the nobility of public service to new heights. He began his career as a businessman who later served in the Navy during World War II. While serving in the Eisenhower administration as Ambassador to France, and later as Under Secretary of State, Mr. Dillon pioneered an ambitious foreign aid policy. And in Latin America, his work with struggling economies strengthened the democratic forces there.

In Western Europe, his determined foreign aid strategies led to the economic and military unity among the allies. Douglas Dillon also served President Kennedy as Secretary of the Treasury, and became one of the most influential members of that Cabinet. The Kennedy tax policy was revolutionary at the time, and Douglas Dillon was the man who developed those policies of lower taxes and policies that worked.

But Douglas Dillon's dedication went beyond serving his nation as a public servant. Under his leadership as Chairman, the Metropolitan Museum of Art became the second largest museum in the world after the Louvre. And Douglas Dillon dedicated himself to making America stronger as a diplomat, a public servant, businessman and philanthropist -- truly a renaissance man. And for this, his countrymen salute him.

Lucille Ball was known as The First Lady of Television -- one of America's greatest comediennes. The series, "I Love Lucy," quickly made her a household name and kept generations of Americans

laughing. In fact, according to TV Guide, her face was seen by more people more often than the face of any human being who ever lived. "I Love Lucy" -- that ran in over 80 countries, and the cumulative audience runs in the tens of billions.

Who can forget Lucy? She was like everyone's next door neighbor, only funnier. (Laughter.) Her secret, she said, was to take everyday things and exaggerate them to funny absurdity. And it worked. And she became an American success story and a brilliant businesswoman.

Lucille Ball was a national treasure who brought laughter to us all. Love Lucy? Sure. This nation is grateful to her, and we will miss her dearly.

And now, I am pleased to present the citations -- have the citations read and present the medals to our distinguished recipients. So, first, General Doolittle, if I could ask you to come forward, sir.

Aviation pioneer and military hero, James H. Doolittle is a symbol of vision and courage. His numerous contributions to aeronautical science, often at great personal hazard, extend from the earliest achievements in long-distance flying to the age of rockets. In the uniform of his country, General Doolittle's heroic leadership inspired the American people during the darkest hours of the Second World War.

In public service, he continued to foster American advances in aeronautics -- the cause to which he devoted his life. For extraordinary service to country, the American people salute one of their foremost heroes. (Applause.)

Now, Ambassador Kennan, if you would come forward, sir. May I say, welcome. Career diplomat, historian, educator, George Kennan has helped shape American foreign policy since 1933. His many years in government service and a lifetime of scholarly writings revealed a deep insight into East-West relations, a recognition of the challenges of totalitarian expansion, as well as a man of extraordinary sensitivity. For his success in advancing our national security and for his many contributions to the study of international affairs, George Kennan's fellow Americans proudly honor him. (Applause.)

Senator Smith. As the United States representative for eight years, as a three-term Senator, Margaret Chase Smith served the people of Maine and the nation with distinction. She influenced greatly the development of our postwar foreign and domestic policies and her abilities and independent spirit made her one of the most admired women in America.

A firm believer in a strong national defense, her efforts to improve the status of women in the Navy earned her the affectionate title "Mother of the Waves." And for many years of outstanding public service, America proudly honors her. (Applause.)

In a lifetime of responsible positions, C. Douglas Dillon has dedicated himself to bettering America and the world. By fostering European economic and military unity, he furthered the cause of democracy. Through his leadership on economic issues, he helped make possible the material advance of a generation. Through his dedication to the Alliance for Progress he made real for a million Americans' determination to promote social development. For service to three Presidents and for commitment to his fellow man, America honors Mr. Dillon. (Applause.)

Gary, can I ask you to come forward -- Mr. Gary Morton. You know Bar.

A gifted comedienne known and loved by generations of

audiences around the world, Lucille Ball left a lasting impression of American entertainment. For over 50 years, she warmed the hearts of millions with her humor, both in films and later on television where no program was better named than "I Love Lucy."

As president of her own production company, she set an example with her commitment to programming of quality for family enjoyment. Lucy's work continues to bring joy and laughter into American homes. And a grateful nation remembers her with love and appreciation. And now, I will present the Medal to her husband, Gary Morton. (Applause.)

That concludes this brief, but heartfelt, ceremony, and we're delighted you all are here, and thank all of you for coming to honor these five individuals. Thank you very much. (Applause.)

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Presidential Medal of Freedom

Fact Sheet

The Presidential Medal of Freedom is the highest civilian award of our Government. It may be awarded only by the President of the United States to persons who have made especially meritorious contributions to the security or national interests of the United States, to world peace, or to cultural or other significant public or private endeavors. The Medal may be awarded to citizens of other nations and may be awarded posthumously.

Originally established as the Medal of Freedom by President Truman in 1945, it was awarded either by the President or designated department secretaries. President Kennedy established the Presidential Medal of Freedom, as it now exists, on February 22, 1963.

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**REMARKS: PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL OF FREEDOM
EAST ROOM
JULY 6, 1989
11:45 A.M.**

THANK YOU. AS PRESIDENT, I HAVE BEEN LOOKING FORWARD TO ONE OF THE MOST DISTINGUISHED DUTIES OF THIS OFFICE -- THE PRIVILEGE OF PRESENTING THIS NATION'S HIGHEST CIVILIAN HONOR, THE PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL OF FREEDOM.


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THE FIRST PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL OF FREEDOM RECIPIENTS WERE CHOSEN BY PRESIDENT KENNEDY, BUT SOON AFTER HIS DEATH THEY WERE AWARDED BY PRESIDENT JOHNSON, ALONG WITH SOME OF PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S CHOICES. SOME OF THE FIRST WINNERS INCLUDED MARIAN ANDERSON, FELIX FRANKFURTER AND, OF COURSE, A POSTHUMOUS MEDAL TO PRESIDENT KENNEDY -- ALL AMERICAN HEROES.

AND TODAY I FIND MYSELF STANDING WITH FOUR MORE AMERICAN HEROES WHO EMBODY THE ACHIEVEMENT, VISION AND DEDICATION THAT IS THE GREATNESS OF THIS COUNTRY. YOU HAVE LEFT AN INDELIBLE MARK AS YOU HAVE ENRICHED THIS NATION, AND AMERICA IS GRATEFUL.

EACH ONE HERE TODAY IS A PIONEER:

GENERAL JAMES DOOLITTLE, A TRAILBLAZER IN MODERN AVIATION; AMBASSADOR GEORGE KENNAN, TRULY A VISIONARY WHO FORESAW THE FUTURE OF SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS;



SENATOR MARGARET CHASE SMITH, A BOLD ACHIEVER WHO STOOD ALONE AGAINST THE TIDE OF EXTREMISM; SECRETARY DOUGLAS DILLON, AN UNPARALLELED PUBLIC SERVANT WHO SHAPED AMERICAN FOREIGN AND ECONOMIC POLICY; AND FINALLY, A FIFTH GREAT AMERICAN WHO IS NOT WITH US -- THE LATE LUCILLE BALL, FIRST LADY OF TELEVISION TO UNCOUNTABLE MILLIONS WORLDWIDE.

GENERAL JIMMY DOOLITTLE IS AN AMERICAN WAR HERO, A RECORD-BREAKING PILOT, AND AN INNOVATOR IN MODERN AVIATION.

AFTER SERVING HIS COUNTRY AS A FLYING CADET IN WORLD WAR I, GENERAL DOOLITTLE MADE THE FIRST CROSS-COUNTRY FLIGHT WITH ONLY ONE REFUELING STOP. HE SET LAND- AND SEA-PLANE SPEED RECORDS. HE WAS THE FIRST TO FLY "BLIND" -- BY INSTRUMENTS ONLY. INDEED, JIMMY DOOLITTLE WAS "THE MASTER OF THE CALCULATED RISK."

WHEN THE UNITED STATES ENTERED WORLD WAR II, GENERAL DOOLITTLE WAS ASSIGNED A TOP-SECRET MISSION THAT WAS "PERHAPS THE MOST DARING COMBINED OPERATION OF THE WHOLE WAR." HE LED THE FIRST OFFENSIVE AERIAL STRIKE ON THE JAPANESE MAINLAND AFTER PEARL HARBOR. THIS COURAGEOUS ONE-WAY MISSION ELECTRIFIED THE WORLD AND GAVE AMERICA'S WAR HOPES A TERRIFIC LIFT.

DURING THE WAR, GENERAL DOOLITTLE ALSO DIRECTED U.S. AIRPOWER IN THE INVASION OF AFRICA, AND PARTICIPATED IN 25 MISSIONS INCLUDING THE FIRST ATTACK ON ROME.

GENERAL DOOLITTLE IS TRULY THE FATHER OF MODERN AVIATION. FOR HIS DEDICATION ABOVE AND BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY, FOR HIS BRAVERY AND VALOR, AND FOR HIS INNOVATION AND DARING, THE NATION THANKS HIM.

AS A 27-YEAR CAREER DIPLOMAT, RENOWNED HISTORIAN AND ASTUTE PROFESSOR, GEORGE KENNAN HAS SHAPED THE WAY AMERICANS HAVE THOUGHT ABOUT FOREIGN POLICY IN THE POSTWAR ERA.

AS HEAD OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S POLICY PLANNING STAFF, AS COUNSELOR OF THE DEPARTMENT, AND THEN AS AMBASSADOR TO THE SOVIET UNION, HE HELPED OUR NATION UNDERSTAND THE DANGERS IT FACED.

GEORGE KENNAN CONTRIBUTED MIGHTILY TO THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC RECONSTRUCTION OF EUROPE.

AFTER HIS RETIREMENT FROM GOVERNMENT, AMBASSADOR KENNAN JOINED THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY AT PRINCETON, AND TURNED HIS FORMIDABLE TALENTS TO SCHOLARSHIP. HIS MANY BOOKS, WHICH EARNED HIM THE PULITZER PRIZE AND THE NATIONAL BOOK AWARD AMONG OTHER HONORS, DOCUMENT THE DIPLOMATIC HISTORY OF OUR MODERN AGE.

THROUGH HIS WRITINGS, AND HIS GUIDANCE IN THE KENNAN INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED RUSSIAN STUDIES, HE HAS ADDED MORE TO OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SOVIET UNION THAN PERHAPS ANY OTHER INDIVIDUAL AMERICAN.

TODAY WE STAND ON THE THRESHOLD OF A NEW ERA IN THAT RELATIONSHIP, ONE THAT LOOKS BEYOND THE SUCCESSFUL STRATEGY OF CONTAINMENT WHICH GEORGE KENNAN DID SO MUCH TO DEVELOP.

FOR HIS UNIQUE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE NATIONAL SECURITY OF THIS COUNTRY, THE UNITED STATES HONORS AMBASSADOR GEORGE KENNAN.

MARGARET CHASE SMITH WAS THE FIRST WOMAN IN AMERICAN HISTORY TO BE ELECTED TO BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS, SERVING FOR 32 YEARS --HOLDING OFFICE UNDER SIX PRESIDENTS, BEGINNING WITH FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT. HER TALENT, INTELLECT, AND DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THIS COUNTRY RESULTED IN HER BECOMING THE FIRST WOMAN TO HAVE HER NAME PLACED IN NOMINATION FOR PRESIDENT BY A MAJOR POLITICAL PARTY.

SENATOR SMITH'S FINEST HOUR CAME WHEN SHE ISSUED THE "DECLARATION OF CONSCIENCE," AN HISTORIC AND COURAGEOUS SPEECH DENOUNCING McCARTHYISM. SHE SPOKE OUT WHEN SO MANY OTHERS REMAINED SILENT.

SENATOR SMITH WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN IMPROVING THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN THE ARMED SERVICES, AND WAS AN OUTSPOKEN ADVOCATE OF A STRONG NUCLEAR DETERRENT IN THE FACE OF THE SOVIET THREAT.

WE HONOR SENATOR SMITH TODAY FOR HER COMMITMENT TO TRUTH AND HONESTY IN GOVERNMENT AND IN AMERICA, AND TO STRENGTHENING AMERICA AT HOME AND ABROAD. SHE LOOKED BEYOND THE POLITICS OF THE TIME TO SEE THE FUTURE OF AMERICA, AND MADE US ALL BETTER FOR IT.

THE BRILLIANT ACHIEVEMENTS OF DOUGLAS DILLON RAISE THE NOBILITY OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO NEW HEIGHTS.

HE BEGAN HIS CAREER AS A BUSINESSMAN WHO LATER SERVED IN THE NAVY DURING WORLD WAR II. WHILE SERVING IN THE EISENHOWER ADMINISTRATION AS AMBASSADOR TO FRANCE AND LATER, AS UNDERSECRETARY OF STATE, MR. DILLON PIONEERED AN AMBITIOUS FOREIGN AID POLICY. IN LATIN AMERICA, HIS WORK WITH STRUGGLING ECONOMIES STRENGTHENED DEMOCRATIC FORCES.

IN WESTERN EUROPE, HIS DETERMINED FOREIGN AID STRATEGIES LED TO ECONOMIC AND MILITARY UNITY AMONG THE ALLIES.

DOUGLAS DILLON ALSO SERVED PRESIDENT KENNEDY AS SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, AND BECAME ONE OF THE MOST INFLUENTIAL MEMBERS OF THE CABINET. THE KENNEDY TAX POLICY WAS REVOLUTIONARY AT THE TIME, AND DOUGLAS DILLON WAS THE MAN WHO DEVELOPED THOSE POLICIES OF LOWER TAXES -- POLICIES THAT WORKED.

BUT DOUGLAS DILLON'S DEDICATION WENT BEYOND SERVING HIS NATION AS A PUBLIC SERVANT. UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP AS CHAIRMAN, THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART BECAME THE SECOND-LARGEST MUSEUM IN THE WORLD AFTER THE LOUVRE.

DOUGLAS DILLON DEDICATED HIMSELF TO MAKING AMERICA STRONGER -- AS A DIPLOMAT, A PUBLIC SERVANT, BUSINESSMAN AND PHILANTHROPIST -- TRULY A "RENAISSANCE MAN." FOR THIS, HIS COUNTRYMEN SALUTE HIM.

LUCILLE BALL WAS KNOWN AS THE FIRST LADY OF TELEVISION, ONE OF AMERICA'S GREATEST COMEDIENNES. THE SERIES "I LOVE LUCY" QUICKLY MADE HER A HOUSEHOLD NAME AND KEPT GENERATIONS OF AMERICANS LAUGHING. IN FACT, ACCORDING TO TV GUIDE, HER FACE WAS SEEN "BY MORE PEOPLE, MORE OFTEN, THAN THE FACE OF ANY HUMAN BEING WHO EVER LIVED." "I LOVE LUCY" RAN IN OVER 80 COUNTRIES AND THE CUMULATIVE AUDIENCE RUNS IN THE TENS OF BILLIONS.

WHO CAN FORGET LUCY? SHE WAS LIKE EVERYONE'S NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOR -- ONLY FUNNIER. HER SECRET, SHE SAID, WAS TO TAKE EVERYDAY THINGS AND EXAGGERATE THEM TO FUNNY ABSURDITY. IT WORKED, AND SHE BECAME AN AMERICAN SUCCESS STORY AND A BRILLIANT BUSINESSWOMAN.

LUCILLE BALL WAS A NATIONAL TREASURE WHO BROUGHT LAUGHTER TO US ALL. LOVE LUCY? AMERICA LOVED LUCY. THIS NATION IS GRATEFUL TO HER, AND WE'LL MISS HER DEARLY.

NOW, I AM PLEASED TO READ THE CITATIONS AND PRESENT THE MEDALS TO EACH OF YOU:

AVIATION PIONEER AND MILITARY HERO, JAMES H. DOOLITTLE IS A SYMBOL OF VISION AND COURAGE. HIS NUMEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO AERONAUTICAL SCIENCE, OFTEN AT GREAT PERSONAL HAZARD, EXTEND FROM THE EARLIEST ACHIEVEMENTS IN LONG-DISTANCE FLYING TO THE AGE OF ROCKETS.

IN THE UNIFORM OF HIS COUNTRY, GENERAL DOOLITTLE'S HEROIC LEADERSHIP INSPIRED THE AMERICAN PEOPLE DURING THE DARKEST HOURS OF THE SECOND WORLD WAR. IN PUBLIC SERVICE, HE CONTINUED TO FOSTER AMERICAN ADVANCES IN AERONAUTICS, THE CAUSE TO WHICH HE DEVOTED HIS LIFE.

**FOR EXTRAORDINARY SERVICE TO HIS COUNTRY, THE AMERICAN PEOPLE SALUTE ONE OF THEIR FOREMOST HEROES.
(PRESENT MEDAL)**

CAREER DIPLOMAT, HISTORIAN, AND EDUCATOR, GEORGE KENNAN HAS HELPED SHAPED AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY SINCE 1933. HIS MANY YEARS IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE, AND A LIFETIME OF SCHOLARLY WRITINGS, REVEALED A DEEP INSIGHT INTO EAST-WEST RELATIONS, A RECOGNITION OF THE CHALLENGES OF TOTALITARIAN EXPANSION, AS WELL AS A MAN OF EXTRAORDINARY SENSITIVITY.

FOR HIS SUCCESS IN ADVANCING OUR NATIONAL SECURITY, AND FOR HIS MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STUDY OF

**INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, GEORGE KENNAN'S FELLOW AMERICANS
PROUDLY HONOR HIM. ((PRESENT MEDAL))**

**AS A UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE FOR EIGHT YEARS
AND AS A THREE-TERM SENATOR, MARGARET CHASE SMITH
SERVED THE PEOPLE OF MAINE AND THE NATION WITH
DISTINCTION. SHE INFLUENCED GREATLY THE DEVELOPMENT OF
OUR POST-WAR FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC POLICIES, AND HER
ABILITIES AND INDEPENDENT SPIRIT MADE HER ONE OF THE
MOST ADMIRER WOMEN IN AMERICA.**

A FIRM BELIEVER IN A STRONG NATIONAL DEFENSE, HER EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE STATUS OF WOMEN IN THE NAVY EARNED HER THE AFFECTIONATE TITLE "MOTHER OF THE WAVES."

FOR MANY YEARS OF OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE, AMERICA PROUDLY HONORS HER. ((PRESENT MEDAL))

IN A LIFETIME OF RESPONSIBLE POSITIONS, C. DOUGLAS DILLON HAS DEDICATED HIMSELF TO BETTERING AMERICA AND THE WORLD.

BY FOSTERING EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND MILITARY UNITY, HE FURTHERED THE CAUSE OF DEMOCRACY. THROUGH HIS LEADERSHIP ON ECONOMIC ISSUES, HE HELPED MAKE POSSIBLE THE MATERIAL ADVANCE OF A GENERATION.

THROUGH HIS DEDICATION TO THE ALLIANCE FOR PROGRESS, HE MADE REAL FOR MILLIONS AMERICA'S DETERMINATION TO PROMOTE SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT.

FOR SERVICE TO THREE PRESIDENTS, AND FOR COMMITMENT TO HIS FELLOW MAN, AMERICA HONORS HIM. ((PRESENT MEDAL))

A GIFTED COMEDIENNE KNOWN AND LOVED BY GENERATIONS OF AUDIENCES AROUND THE WORLD, LUCILLE BALL LEFT A LASTING IMPRESSION ON AMERICAN ENTERTAINMENT. FOR OVER FIFTY YEARS, SHE WARMED THE HEARTS OF MILLIONS WITH HER HUMOR, BOTH IN FILMS AND LATER ON TELEVISION, WHERE NO PROGRAM WAS BETTER NAMED THAN "I LOVE LUCY."

AS PRESIDENT OF HER OWN PRODUCTION COMPANY, SHE SET AN EXAMPLE WITH HER COMMITMENT TO PROGRAMMING OF QUALITY FOR FAMILY ENJOYMENT.

**LUCY'S WORK CONTINUES TO BRING JOY AND LAUGHTER
INTO AMERICAN HOMES, AND A GRATEFUL NATION REMEMBERS
HER WITH LOVE AND APPRECIATION. ((PRESENT MEDAL TO
HUSBAND GARY MORTON))**

**THIS NATION IS A BETTER PLACE BECAUSE OF THE
CONTRIBUTIONS OF EACH OF YOU.**

**I THANK YOU, AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE THANK YOU.
CONGRATULATIONS AND GOD BLESS YOU.**

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