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National Education Goals Panel Convenes Field Hearing to Explore Policies to Help Educators Bring All Students to High Standards

BURLINGTON, VT – (May 22, 2000) – The National Education Goals Panel will host a field hearing on Thursday, June 1 to investigate ways of empowering teachers to bring all students to high standards. Governor Tommy Thompson (R-WI), Chair of the Panel and Senator Jim Jeffords (R-VT), a Panel member, will host the hearing. Educators, researchers and the president of the Carnegie Corporation will discuss underlying issues and present evidence of programs and methods that encourage and support teachers to link policy with achievement in Vermont, Connecticut, Massachusetts and New York. The field hearing is the second of four scheduled to take place nationwide as part of the second phase of the Panel’s 2000 agenda. The hearings are intended to raise public awareness of the critical issue of helping all students achieve high academic standards.

The Goals Panel is comprised of eight governors (including Gov. Thompson), four members of Congress, four state legislators and two Presidential appointees.

*Please note the following media and photo opportunity:

**WHAT:** National Education Goals Panel Field Hearing
“Empowering Educators to Bring All Students to High Standards”

**WHO:**
Gov. Tommy Thompson (R-WI), Chair
Senator Jim Jeffords (R-VT), Panel member
State Representative Mary Lou Cowlishaw (R-IL), Panel member
Gov. Howard Dean (D-VT) and Gov. John Rowland (R-CT), invited
Vartan Gregorian, president, Carnegie Corporation
Richard Askey, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Joan Baron, Connecticut researcher
David Wolk, Commissioner, Vermont Dept. of Education
Bea Johnstone, Deputy Superintendent, District 2, New York City
Alice Angney, Superintendent, Lamoille South Supervisory Union, Vermont
William Henderson, Principal, Patrick O’Hearn E.S., Boston, Mass.

**WHEN:** 1:30 p.m., Thursday, June 1, 2000

**WHERE:** Trinity College, Delehanty Hall, Rooms 218-219, Burlington, Vt.

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