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National Education Goals Panel Convenes First of Four Field Hearings to Explore Success in Achieving High Academic Standards with Minority and Urban Students

LOS ANGELES – (May 2, 2000) – The National Education Goals Panel will host a field hearing on Monday, May 22 to investigate successful ways of achieving high academic standards with minority and urban students. Governor Tommy Thompson (R-WI), Chair of the Panel, and U.S. Representative Matthew Martinez (D-CA, 31st), a Panel member, will host the hearing. Educators, researchers and a member of the business community will present evidence of programs and methods that are raising levels of student achievement in California and Texas. The field hearing is the first of four scheduled to be held nationwide as part of the Panel’s 2000 agenda. The hearings are intended to raise public awareness of the current best practices in helping all students achieve high academic standards.

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

*Please note the following media and photo opportunity:

WHAT: National Education Goals Panel Field Hearing
“Achieving High Academic Standards with Minority and Urban Students”

WHO: Gov. Tommy Thompson (R-WI), Chair
U.S. Representative Matthew Martinez (D-CA, 31st), Panel member
State Representative Spencer Coggs (D-WI), Panel member
John Stevens, Texas Business and Education Coalition
Joan Herman, National Center for Research on Evaluation, Standards and Student Testing
Mona Parras, Principal, Mission J.H.S., Mission, Texas
Yvonne Chan, Principal, Vaughn Learning Center, San Fernando, Calif.
Gail Calhoun, APPLES Program, Valleydale E.S., Azusa, Calif.
Pamela Marton, Principal, Community Magnet School, Los Angeles
Sheila Smith, G&T Director, L.A. Unified School District

WHEN: 9 a.m., Monday, May 22, 2000

WHERE: Alhambra City Hall, Council Chambers
Los Angeles, Calif.

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