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**TO:** Subcabinet Officials

**FROM:** Pearlie S. Reed  
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**SUBJECT:** Call for Nominations – Department of Agriculture Hall of Heroes

### **NOMINATIONS DUE – July 1, 2011**

We are pleased to begin the process of developing a slate of candidates to present to Secretary Vilsack who will select our next inductee(s) into the Department of Agriculture (USDA) Hall of Heroes.

Secretary Dan Glickman established this Hall of Heroes at a ceremony in September 2000. At that ceremony, four charter members were inducted. Last year, Secretary Vilsack had the privilege of inducting five more members during USDA's Fall Harvest program. A list of all of the inductees is attached.

We are requesting that each mission area and interested staff office submit nominations by July 1, 2011, using the attached nomination form. You may submit nominations electronically or via hard copy to Ms. Anna Johnson-Yeargins, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 302-W, the Jamie L. Whitten Federal Building. Decisions regarding the date and ceremony format are in the works for this year's celebration of recipients and will be announced in the very near future.

Nominees should be, in your judgment, those persons (living or deceased) and/or symbols that have had a direct and lasting impact on national/international agriculture and related programs. I encourage you to involve participation in your internal process to assure a representative group of nominees is developed. Nominations previously submitted, but not selected, may be resubmitted for further consideration using the attached form.

We look forward to working with you to provide Secretary Vilsack a slate of worthy candidates for the USDA Hall of Heroes. If you have any questions regarding this program, please contact Ms. Johnson-Yeargins, Human Resources Specialist, Office of Human Resources Management. You may reach her by telephone at (202) 690-5991 or via e-mail: [anna.johnson-yeargins@dm.usda.gov](mailto:anna.johnson-yeargins@dm.usda.gov).

Attachment

### Hall of Heroes Inductees

#### September 2000:

Hugh Hammond Bennett	Father of Soil Conservation
George Washington Carver	Father of Chemurgy
Senator Robert Dole	National Leader of Nutrition and Farming Programs
Smokey Bear	America's Fire Prevention Bear

#### September 2010:

George S. McGovern	Advocate for Malnutrition and Hunger
Norm Berg	Chief Emeritus, Natural Resources Conservation Service
Thomas Monroe Campbell	First Black Extension Agent in the United States
Justin Smith Morrill	Father of the Land-Grant College System
Senator Tom Harkin	Advocate for the Agricultural Community

Date Submitted:

## USDA Hall of Heroes

### Nomination Form

Instructions: Complete all blocks and submit to Anna Johnson-Yeargins, Office of Human Resources Management, Room 302-W, Whitten Bldg. **no later than July 1, 2011.**

**1. Name & Title (if applicable) of Nominee:**

**2. Agency/Agriculture Area of Representation:**

**3. Accomplishments/Contributions** (No more than 2 pages in length, 10 pitch font.)

❖ Include as Attachment 1.

**4. Summary of Accomplishments/Contributions** (No more than 100 words.)

(If selected, text may be used for plaque)

**5. Photo of Nominee (Photo of front, bust style)**

❖ Include as Attachment 2 (name of nominee **printed** on the back of photo)

**6. Submitted By:**

- Mission Area:
- Agency:
- Name:
- e-mail Address:
- Phone Number:

**7. Agency Contact (Name/e-mail address/phone number):**

**8. Authorization:**

Signature/Title of Subcabinet Official:

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Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_