Representative Heaton receives Hoover “Uncommon Public Service” award

WEST BRANCH, IOWA – March 20, 2013 – The Herbert Hoover Presidential Library Association in West Branch has awarded the annual Hoover Uncommon Public Service Award to State Representative Dave Heaton of Mount Pleasant. The announcement and presentation took place at the Iowa State Capitol.

The award commemorates Iowa native Herbert Hoover, 31st President of the United States. The award honors those in state government who represent the values and unwavering commitment to public service as defined by President Herbert Hoover. His humanitarian efforts saved nearly a billion lives from the devastations of WWI and WWII.

Dave Heaton represents Henry County and the northern portion of Lee County. He has served in the Iowa House of Representatives since January 1995.

Rep. Heaton is a former public school teacher and served in the United States Army Reserve 872nd Ordinance Company. He and his wife, Carmen, are the parents of two grown children and have two grandchildren.

In his nomination of Rep. Heaton, former State Representative Jeff Kaufmann said, “Rep. David Heaton demonstrates on a daily basis that the true leader is the person who brings people together to overcome challenges. He is a leader who serves as an anchor for others wishing to grow, learn, and lead. Dave Heaton is a champion for those Iowans who are most vulnerable: children, citizens with mental health issues, the disabled, and the tens of thousands of Iowans receiving Medicaid services. He fights for them each and every day. He has never hesitated to debate and fight forces in either political party who stands in his way of trying to provide the best services the State can afford.”

The Herbert Hoover Presidential Library Association is a non-profit organization that partners with the Hoover Presidential Library-Museum and the Hoover National Historic Site in West Branch. Programs are funded entirely by private donations.

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