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Mayor Buol Joins Nationwide Effort to Recognize Impact of National Service

DUBUQUE, Iowa – Dubuque Mayor Roy D. Buol will join more than 4,300 local leaders across the country in a nationwide bipartisan initiative next week to highlight the impact of national service in tackling local problems.

The Dubuque National Service Partnership invites the public to attend the National Service Recognition Day event on **Tuesday, April 3**, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. in the Rose O’Toole Boardroom at Clarke University, 1550 Clarke Drive in Dubuque.

Buol will honor local nominees and present awards to the recipients of the National Service Awards in the categories of Champion of Service and Impact Award. The Champion of Service award recognizes individuals or agencies that support National Service programs. This individual/agency will have demonstrated ongoing and sustained involvement with National Service members. The Impact Award recognizes individuals who are alumni or current National Service members whose service made a significant impact on the site for which they have served. The winners are selected from the nominees reviewed by the Dubuque National Service Partnership.

Buol and the Dubuque National Service Partnership recognize the community impact National Service volunteers have on meeting critical human social needs. The Dubuque National Service Partnership is a collaborative effort of Corporation for National and Community Service programs in Dubuque including a variety of AmeriCorps and Senior Corps programs. The Dubuque National Service Partnership members are service providers including RSVP, Foster Grandparent Program,

AmeriCorps Partners in Learning, Iowa Campus Compact—Loras College, City of Dubuque, Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque, United Way, and other community organizations.

National Service Recognition Day is a nationwide bipartisan effort to recognize the positive impact of national service, to thank those who serve, and to encourage more citizens to give back to their communities. This day is sponsored by the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), the National League of Cities, the National Association of Counties, and Cities of Service.

As the federal agency for service and volunteering, CNCS annually engages millions of Americans in service at more than 50,000 locations through AmeriCorps, Senior Corps, and other programs. National service participants address the most pressing challenges facing our counties and nation. From helping communities recover from natural disasters, fighting the opioid epidemic, restoring parks, strengthening public safety, to tutoring and mentoring disadvantaged students, national service members get things done.

Across the nation, local leaders are participating in a variety of activities, including visiting national service programs, hosting roundtable discussions, issuing proclamations, and communicating the impact of national service through social media. By shining the spotlight on the impact of service and thanking those who serve, local officials hope to inspire more residents to get involved in their communities.

For more information including background and a list of participating county officials and mayors, visit NationalService.gov/RecognitionDay.

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The Corporation for National and Community Service is the federal agency for volunteering, service, and civic engagement. The agency engages millions of Americans in citizen service through its AmeriCorps and Senior Corps programs and leads the nation's volunteering and service efforts. For more information, visit NationalService.gov.