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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

MOLL NOMINATED FOR CASE PROFESSOR OF THE YEAR

CHARLESTON, IL--Zoology professor Edward Moll of Charleston has been nominated by Eastern Illinois University for the 1992 Professor of the Year Award of the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE).

Eastern is among 2,900 colleges, universities and independent schools that belong to CASE, a non-profit organization that strives to advance understanding and support of education for the benefit of society.

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Recognized as one of the top 10 "turtle" researchers in the world and an expert on turtle conservation in Asia, Moll has distinguished himself in teaching, research and service during his 24-year career at Eastern. He has been the recipient of numerous honors for teaching, including two faculty excellence awards, two outstanding faculty merit awards and the distinguished faculty award.

Richard Funk, chairman of Eastern's Zoology Department, said, "Dr. Moll has been the most productive research scientist in the Department of Zoology. He has also contributed considerable energy to service activities and has been a continuously effective, enthusiastic and respected teacher."

Funk said Moll is admired by his students, who consistently rate him superior on evaluations, and by his peers, who appreciate his classroom preparedness and his regard for students and the subject matter.

His most notable accomplishments include his conservation work with several nations, election as president of a prestigious society for the study of reptiles and amphibians, development of new courses for Eastern's general education program and the zoology major, and his work with the University's Zoology Graduate Program.

The key criterion for the CASE honor is an "extraordinary commitment to teaching."

The national award-winning professor will receive a \$10,000 cash prize contributed by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and will be invited to Washington, D.C., to accept the award and lecture at the Smithsonian Institution during the fall of 1992.