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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

NATIONAL HIGHER ED WEEK

CHARLESTON, IL.--Eastern Illinois University is joining the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) in its celebration of National Higher Education Week this week.

As part of an extended celebration, Eastern's School of Home Economics will honor one of its outstanding faculty members, Ruth Dow of Charleston.

Dow was Eastern's nominee for 1990 CASE "Professor of the Year" and recipient of Eastern's 1990 Distinguished Faculty Award.

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A coffee in her honor is planned for Wednesday, Oct. 24, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Eastern's Klehm Hall, Room 110.

"Dr. Dow has been consistently rated as an outstanding teacher at both the graduate and undergraduate level," according to Barbara Hill, dean of Eastern's College of Applied Sciences.

In addition to her duties as professor and graduate coordinator in the School of Home Economics, she has volunteered her time to help disadvantaged people around the world, especially in Central and South America.

At the local level, she has been a consultant dietician for the Peace Meal Program for Senior Citizens and the Charleston Food Pantry Board. She has also been instrumental in initiating "World Food Day" as an annual celebration in this area.

The National Higher Education Week 1990 theme, "Generating Greatness in Every Generation," celebrates the diversity of students found on today's college campuses.

It also celebrates the silver anniversary of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and subsequent legislation that has enabled many Americans to go to college.