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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

FOORT RECEIVES HOME EC AWARD

CHARLESTON, IL.--Michael J. Foort, customer relations manager for Allstate Insurance Company in Northbrook, is the recipient of the Illinois Home Economics Association's Outstanding Contributor to Home Economics Award.

Foort was nominated for the award by Eastern Illinois University's School of Home Economics. He serves on the School's Advisory Council and has been instrumental in obtaining funding for Eastern students to attend the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals (SOCAP) annual conferences. He also has supported EIU students as interns with Allstate.

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The award, presented at the Illinois Home Economics Association's annual meeting, is given to persons who have significantly supported home economics in Illinois, but who, themselves, are not professional home economists.

Foort, who has been at Allstate for more than 28 years, is a board member of SOCAP and the Insurance Consumer Affairs Exchange, organizations that concentrate on consumer relations for the insurance industry.

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