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TALKING POINTS: TEACHER OF THE YEAR, TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 1975

Bob Heyer

1. I welcome Robert Heyer, 1975's "Teacher of the Year," and his family to the White House.

2. Mr. Heyer, who teaches science at Johanna Junior High School in St. Paul, is the 24th person to receive this award as the Nation's outstanding teacher.

3. The crystal apple cites Mr. Heyer for his "creative excellence and dedicated service" in his very important profession. There are thousands and thousands of teachers who also are excellent and dedicated. I am sure Mr. Heyer accepts this award for himself and others like him who give of themselves to teach our young people.

4. The impact of teachers on the lives of their students can never be accurately measured. There are many Americans like myself whose lives have been enriched and improved because of the dedication of teachers like Bob Heyer.
5. Mr. Heyer, I know this reward is only a symbol of the daily efforts of your profession. I want to salute you for the years of work that led to your selection and to the years of service you will give in the future to your students.
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