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Senator Mitchell Lecture

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**CULTURAL AFFAIRS/DISTINGUISHED LECTURE SERIES
GRANT APPLICATION**

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PLEASE PLACE A COPY OF THIS COVER SHEET ON TOP OF EACH COPY

I. Applicant/Organization: Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Environmental & Watershed Research

II. a. Responsible Organization Officer: David Hart

b. Title: Director

c. Campus Address : 5710 Norman Smith Hall, david.hart@umit.maine.edu, 581-3257

III. Summary of program requiring funding (title; featured artist(s); speaker(s); scheduled date (s):

Senator George J. Mitchell Lecture on the Environment

On Thursday, September 27th, 2007 the Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Environmental & Watershed Research will host the inaugural Senator George J. Mitchell Lecture on the Environment.

James Gustave Speth, Dean, School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, Yale University and Senator George J. Mitchell will be the keynote speakers at the event.

IV. Budget Proposal Form must be attached.

Funding for current application is contingent upon submission of reports for any previous grant awards, including final budget and attendance figures.

Signature of responsible organization officer/date: _____

SIGNATURE

DATE

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SEND COMPLETED APPLICATION TO: CULTURAL AFFAIRS/DISTINGUISHED LECTURE SERIES COMMITTEE
C/O PRESIDENT'S OFFICE
200 ALUMNI HALL, CAMPUS

Cultural Affairs/Distinguished Lecture Series Fund Budget Proposal Form

Applicant/Organization: Senator George J. Mitchell Center
 Responsible Officer: David Hart
 Event Title: Senator George J. Mitchell Lecture on the Environment
 Event Date: September 27, 2007

Total Program Budget: \$15,304
 Amount Committed by Applicant Organization: —
 Total Amount Requested from Other Funding Sources: \$7,652

Please List Sources & Amounts below:

Our intention is to have corporate sponsors cover the remaining costs of this event. We are currently in negotiations with a major corporation as a potential sponsor. We have other corporate contacts that we are also considering as potential sponsors.

Amount Requested from CA/DLS Committee: \$7,652*
 Revenues, if any, expected (fees, ticket sales): N/A

Budget Breakdown for CA/DLS Request:

Honoraria/Services (explain below)	\$1726
Hauck auditorium, box office, facilities management, public safety, security	
Travel	\$600
For speakers	
Lodging/Meals	\$275
For speakers	
Advertising	\$650
Local print media, poster distribution	
Printing	\$1639
Postcards, invitations, programs, tickets	
Supplies and Materials	\$1190
Presentation gifts, flowers, name tags, stage props.	
Other (must specify below)	\$1572
Postage, sign language interpreter, videographer photographer	
Total Request:	\$7,652 *

*These amounts should be identical and should not exceed 50% of the total program/event budget. Please note that CA/DLS funds may not be used for receptions and do not normally fund UM employee wages. If an award is granted based on this proposal, reimbursement of expenses will not exceed the total CA/DLS request and will be limited to the types of expenditures outlined above.

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Representatives from the Mitchell Center's external advisory board have initiated discussions with L.L. Bean about their interest in helping to sponsor this event. The outcome of these negotiations will determine what other potential sponsors we may approach for additional funding. For example, several Maine organizations provided funding to support the event at the Maine Center for the Arts in October, 2000 where Senator Mitchell was present when our Center was named in his honor.

Amount Requested from CA/DLS Committee: \$7,652*
 Revenues, if any, expected (fees, ticket sales): N/A

Budget Breakdown of Expenses and funds to be used:	CADLS	Other
Honoraria/Services (explain below) <i>Honoraria, Hauck auditorium, box office, facilities management, public safety/security</i>	\$2095	\$675
Travel <i>Airfare, car hire/taxis</i>	\$557	\$557
Lodging/Meals	\$295	\$295
Advertising	\$491	\$1199
Printing	\$2188	\$2392
Supplies and Materials	\$0	\$1280
Other (must specify below) <i>Postage, sign language interpreter, videographer, photographer</i>	\$2026	\$1254
 Total Expenses from CA/DLS funds:	 \$7652*	
Total Expenses from other funds:		\$7652
(These two totals should equal the "Total Program Budget" listed above)		

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Senator George J. Mitchell Lecture on the Environment

On Thursday, September 27, 2007 the Senator George J. Mitchell Center for Environmental & Watershed Research (Mitchell Center) will host the inaugural Senator George J. Mitchell Lecture on the Environment. This event is free and open to all. It will take place from 1pm-3pm at the Hauck Auditorium, University of Maine, Orono. James Gustave Speth, Dean, School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, Yale University and Senator George J. Mitchell will be the keynote speakers at the event. President Robert Kennedy will attend the event and we hope will provide the welcoming address.

The mission of the Mitchell Center is to connect the diverse expertise and problem-solving capacity in the University of Maine System to Maine's need for more effective environmental policies and practices. To achieve success in our mission, we must work simultaneously towards the common goals of creating a strong economy, robust communities, and a clean environment, issues of importance to all Maine citizens. The recent report from the Brookings Institution, *Charting Maine's Future*, provides an excellent starting point for this conversation.

Our vision for the Senator George J. Mitchell Lecture on the Environment is to bring together people from across Maine who seek a clearer understanding of the environmental challenges and opportunities we face, and to present constructive options that will facilitate a renewed commitment to the development of collaborative approaches to environmental problem-solving.

This event will be Senator Mitchell's first speech at the University of Maine in almost seven years and we anticipate it will attract a large attendance from both on-and off-campus.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

James Gustave Speth

James Gustave Speth is dean and professor in the practice of environmental policy and sustainable development at the School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, Yale University. Speth came to Yale's environment school from the United Nations, where he served from 1993 through 1999 as Administrator of the Development Program (UNDP), the principal arm of the UN for the funding and coordination of technical assistance and development. Prior to his tenure at the UN, he founded the World Resources Institute in 1982 and served as its president until January 1993. Based in Washington D.C., WRI is a center for policy research and technical assistance on environment and development issues. Following his tenure at WRI he served as senior advisor to President-elect Clinton's transition team, heading the group on natural resources, energy and the environment.

Before founding WRI, Speth chaired President Carter's Council on Environmental Quality, and then went on to teach environmental and constitutional law for two years as a professor of Georgetown University. From 1970 to 1977 he was senior attorney with the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), an organization he co-founded. Prior to NRDC, Speth was law clerk to Supreme Court Justice Hugo Black. For his role in bringing the global warming issue to wide public attention, Speth was awarded the prestigious Blue Planet Prize.

Speth's critically acclaimed book, *Red Sky at Morning: America and the Crisis of the Global Environment*, warns that despite all the international negotiations of the past two decades, efforts to protect Earth's environment are not succeeding. Speth explains why this is so and presents a powerful new vision for the role that citizens, governments, and the private sector can play in solving local, regional, and global environmental problems.

"Gus Speth brought global environmental concerns to the world's attention nearly a quarter of a century ago. His extraordinary new book is an impassioned plea to take these issues seriously before it is too late. We owe it to our children and grandchildren to read *Red Sky at Morning* and take action while we can." · Jimmy Carter, former President of the United States

Senator George J. Mitchell

Senator Mitchell is one of the most widely-recognized and inspirational leaders in Maine today. Since leaving the Senate, where he was instrumental in the passage of bills that changed US policy in a number of areas, he has garnered a world-wide reputation for problem solving in both private and public arenas.

Senator Mitchell entered the U.S. Senate in 1980 when he was appointed to complete the unexpired term of Senator Edmund S. Muskie. He went on to an illustrious career in the Senate that spanned 14 years. In January 1989, he became Senate majority leader, a position he held until he left the Senate in 1995.

While in the Senate, Senator Mitchell led the successful 1990 reauthorization of the Clean Air Act, including new controls on acid rain toxins. He was the author of the first national oil spill prevention and cleanup law. Senator Mitchell led the Senate to passage of the nation's first child care bill and was principal author of the low-income housing tax credit program. He was instrumental in the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act and his efforts led to the passage of a higher education bill that expanded opportunities for millions of Americans.

In 1996, Senator Mitchell was asked to chair the peace negotiations in Northern Ireland. Senator Mitchell led the negotiations for two years, work that ultimately resulted in a historic accord that ended decades of conflict. He has received numerous awards and honors recognizing his service in the peace talks. These include the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the highest civilian honor the U.S. government can give, the Philadelphia Liberty Medal, the Truman Institute Peace Prize, the German Peace Prize, and the United Nations (UNESCO) Peace Prize.

Senator Mitchell is Chairman of the Global Board of DLA Piper, an international law firm. He also served as chairman of the board of The Walt Disney Company and is chancellor of The Queen's University of Northern Ireland. He served as chairman of the International Crisis Group, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the prevention of crises in international affairs, as chairman of the Special Commission investigating allegations of impropriety in the bidding process for the Olympic Games, and as chairman of the National Health Care Commission.

At the request of President Bill Clinton and Israeli and Palestinian leaders, Senator Mitchell served as chairman of an international fact-finding committee on violence in the Middle East. The

committee's recommendation, widely known as The Mitchell Report, was endorsed by the Bush Administration, the European Union, and many other governments.

Senator Mitchell is the author of four books: *Men of Zeal*, co-authored with his colleague, then-Senator William S. Cohen, on the Iran-Contra investigation; *World on Fire*, speaking to the threat of the greenhouse effect and recommending steps to curb it; *Not For America Alone: The Triumph of Democracy and The Fall of Communism*; and *Making Peace*, an account of his experiences in Northern Ireland.