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-- C-SPAN TELEVISES 11 U.S. SENATE CANDIDATE DEBATES --

-- League of Women Voters U.S. Senate Debates On National Security Cablecast By C-SPAN --

WASHINGTON, D.C.-- C-SPAN cable network expands its "Campaign '86" programming next month to include a series of televised debates between U.S. Senate candidates, sponsored by the League of Women Voters Education Fund.

October 1st is the kick-off date for the series which will air weeknights at 8:30 pm Eastern Time -- and reair at 1:00 am ET, 10:00 pm Pacific Time -- until Election Day.

C-SPAN plans to televise 11 debates for some of the most closely contested Senate seats of 1986. State races to be highlighted include Florida, Maryland, Washington, Vermont, Nevada, Missouri, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Oklahoma. C-SPAN will cablecast these Senate candidate debates nationwide and in their entirety.

The League has organized these and other Congressional debates as part of its "Agenda for Security" theme -- a yearlong project to focus campaign discussion on national security policy issues. During the debates, Senate candidates will deliberate the specifics of federal defense spending, strategic weapons policy and arms control, trade, and international terrorism. Candidates in two states -- Vermont and Nevada -- will each have an additional debate on domestic policy issues.

League chairperson Nancy Neuman is tentatively slated to appear on a live C-SPAN viewer call-in program on Wednesday, October 15 at 9:30 pm ET. Ms. Neuman will discuss the League's interest in national security issues and its sponsorship of the 1986 Congressional debate series.

C-SPAN's preliminary program schedule is as follows:

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1

8:30 pm ET/5:30 pm PT

WASHINGTON U.S. SENATE DEBATE

\*Reairs:

Candidates: SEN. SLADE GORTON (R)

1:00 am ET/10:00 pm PT

BROCK ADAMS (D), Former Transportation Secretary

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

8:30 pm ET/5:30 pm PT

VERMONT U.S. SENATE DEBATE - NATIONAL SECURITY ISSUES

\*Reairs:

Candidates: SEN. PATRICK LEAHY (D)

1:00 am ET/10:00 pm PT

RICHARD SNELLING (R), Former Governor, Vermont

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14

8:30 pm ET/5:30 pm PT

VERMONT U.S. SENATE DEBATE - DOMESTIC POLICY ISSUES

\*Reairs:

Candidates: SEN. PATRICK LEAHY (D)

1:00 am ET/10:00 pm PT

RICHARD SNELLING (R), Former Governor, Vermont

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15

8:30 pm ET/5:30 pm PT

NEVADA U.S. SENATE DEBATE - NATIONAL SECURITY ISSUES

\*Reairs:

Candidates: JIM SANTINI (R), Former U.S. Representative, Nevada

1:00 am ET/10:00 pm PT

REP. HARRY REID (D), 1st Congressional Dist.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16

8:30 pm ET/5:30 pm PT

PENNSYLVANIA U.S. SENATE DEBATE

\*Reairs:

Candidates: SEN. ARLEN SPECTER (R)

1:00 am ET/10:00 pm PT

REP. BOB EDGAR (D), 7th Congressional Dist.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

8:30 pm ET/5:30 pm PT

NEVADA U.S. SENATE DEBATE - DOMESTIC POLICY ISSUES

\*Reairs:

Candidates: JIM SANTINI (R), Former U.S. Rep., Nevada

1:00 am ET/10:00 pm PT

REP. HARRY REID (D), 1st Congressional Dist.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

8:30 pm ET/5:30 pm PT

MARYLAND U.S. SENATE DEBATE

\*Reairs:

Candidates: REP. BARBARA MIKULSKI (D), 3rd Congressional Dist.

1:00 am ET/10:00 pm PT

LINDA CHAVEZ (R)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28

8:30 pm ET/5:30 pm PT

OKLAHOMA U.S. SENATE DEBATE

\*Reairs:

Candidates: SEN. DON NICKLES (R)

1:00 am ET/10:00 pm PT

REP. JIM JONES (D), 1st Congressional Dist.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29

8:30 pm ET/5:30 pm PT

FLORIDA U.S. SENATE DEBATE

\*Reairs:

Candidates: SEN. PAULA HAWKINS (R)

1:00 am ET/10:00 pm PT

GOV. BOB GRAHAM (D)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30

8:30 pm ET/5:30 pm PT

MISSOURI U.S. SENATE DEBATE

\*Reairs:

Candidates: LT. GOV. HARRIETT WOODS (D)

1:00 am ET/10:00 pm PT

CHRISTOPHER "KIT" BOND (R), Former Missouri Gov.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31

8:30 pm ET/5:30 pm PT

OHIO U.S. SENATE DEBATE

\*Reairs:

Candidates: SEN. JOHN GLENN (D)

1:00 am ET/10:00 pm PT

REP. THOMAS KINDNESS (R), 8th Congressional Dist.

Nationally, C-SPAN's round-the-clock public affairs programming can be seen in 25 million households, via 2,300 cable system affiliates. For the C-SPAN channel number in your area, contact your local cable operator.

NOTE: C-SPAN's live coverage of the U.S. House of Representatives proceedings pre-empts all previously scheduled programming. An attempt will be made to reschedule programs subject to pre-emption.

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