# Coffman Presents Local Students with Congressional Awards

**(LONE TREE, CO)** — Rep. Mike Coffman (R-Aurora) presented two Sixth District high school students this week with 2010 Congressional Award Medals. Caleb Bacon and Hunter Gill of Centennial and Highlands Ranch, respectively, were recognized for challenging themselves and making lasting contributions to their community through four achievement areas: voluntary public service, personal development, physical fitness, and expedition.

“Caleb and Hunter both have bright futures ahead of them,” said Coffman. “They took the initiative to make a difference in their communities, and these awards reflect that. I congratulate them on the work they did to win these awards, I am confident they are destined to be pillars of our community.”

Caleb Bacon, a Boy Scout, earned his Congressional Bronze Medal award by volunteering with the Salvation Army, and serving as a councilor in training at the Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch in Kiowa. He also aided in an environmental clean up along the Green River in Utah and spent time making improvements to the Philmont Scout Ranch.

Hunter Gill earned his Congressional Bronze and Silver Medal awards by volunteering with local library programs like Reading Buddies and Teen Interest Council, which ultimately led to the Castle Rock Teen Film Festival. He has also climbed several 14,000-foot peaks, and continues to challenge himself physically by tackling more challenging and technical mountain faces.

The Congressional Award is the United States Congress' annual award for young Americans. It is a non-partisan, voluntary, and non-competitive program, open to all young people between the ages 14 and 23. Bronze, Silver, and Gold certificates and medals are presented by Members of Congress to recipients in their respective district.

Rob Coffman (right) presents the Congressional Award Bronze Medal to Sixth District student

Rob Coffman (right) presents the Congressional Award Silver and Bronze Medals to Sixth