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Area Resident to Participate in National Public Policy Conference

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DAYTON, Ohio, March 1, 1984 -- Michael J. Berning, 25, of 5421 Chimney Circle in Dayton will participate in the Second Presidential Library Conference on the Public and Public Policy on March 22 at the Lyndon Baines Johnson Library and Museum in Austin, Texas. Berning was selected to participate on the basis of his contributions to the local discussions of the National Issues Forum last fall.

Michael Berning is not a public policy expert; he's an interested citizen. A 1980 graduate of the University of Dayton Department of Mechanical Engineering, Berning is a project coordinator for the energy management team of Heapy Engineering. He has been active as a student and as a professional engineer in energy management issues.

During the local segment of the National Issues Forum, Berning took an active part in the discussions of the federal budget deficit and nuclear arms and national security. According to the convenor of the local Forum discussions, Nora Duffy, director of Continuing Education at the University of Dayton, "Mike Berning was a most enthusiastic participant in our NIF programs and will be an exemplary citizen representative to the Presidential Library Conference. He is bright and articulate and not afraid of open discussion with the experts."