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For Immediate Release

Renee R. Gelarden of Fulda, Indiana, and a sophomore at the University of Southern Indiana will represent Indiana as one of two student delegates to the National Education Association (NEA) Midwest Regional Conference in Omaha, Nebraska, on January 21-23, 2000.

Student members of the education association throughout Indiana were invited to send a letter explaining why they would be a good representative to the conference and what the conference could offer them. Gelarden was selected along with Krista Bowers of Manchester College.

The NEA Midwest Regional Conference is a professional development conference held annually for NEA members in the Midwest region.

An elementary education major in USI's Bower-Suhrheinrich School of Education and Human Services, Gelarden is in the Honors program, a member of the Honors Student Council, and co-president of the Student Education Association at USI. She is a 1998 graduate of Heritage Hills High School and the daughter of Pearl and Michael Gelarden.