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HOUSE FUNDRAISING AT MID-YEAR SEES INCUMBENT REPUBLICANS \$9 MILLION AHEAD OF DEMOCRATS

WASHINGTON — Campaign finance reports filed with the Federal Election Commission covering the first six months of 1997 show 435 House incumbents reporting receipts of \$52.9 million, a \$7.4 million increase from the comparable period for incumbents in 1995. From January through June of this year, 227 Republicans reported raising \$30.8 million, while 207 Democrats raised \$22.1 million.

Sources of receipts, by party, are as follows (in millions of dollars; percentage of total receipts in parenthesis):

	<u>Individuals</u>	<u>PACs</u>
1997 Republican Incumbents (227)	\$16.6 (53.9%)	\$12.8 (41.6%)
1995 Republican Incumbents (232)	14.2 (50%)	13.3 (47%)
1993 Republican Incumbents (176)	6.7 (52%)	5.3 (41%)
1997 Democrat Incumbents (207)	10.2 (47.5%)	10.8 (48.9%)
1995 Democrat Incumbents (202)	7.5 (43%)	8.4 (48%)
1993 Democrat Incumbents (258)	7.8 (37%)	11.7 (55%)
1997 Republican Freshmen (32)	2.5 (52%)	2.1 (44%)
1995 Republican Freshmen (73)	5.4 (52%)	4.4 (42%)
1993 Republican Freshmen (47)	2.2 (67%)	1.0 (30%)
1997 Democrat Freshmen (42)	2.2 (45%)	2.5 (51%)
1995 Democrat Freshmen (15)	.5 (42%)	.5 (42%)
1993 Democrat Freshmen (63)	1.6 (34%)	2.7 (57%)

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Republican incumbents reported median receipts of \$105,987 compared to \$72,726 for Democrats. During the comparable period in 1995, Republicans reported median receipts of \$110,203 and Democrats raised \$64,691. From January - July in 1993, Republicans raised a median of \$63,290 and Democrats \$69,598.

Total receipts for the 42 Democratic freshmen and 32 Republican freshmen were similar, Democrats raising \$5.0 million and Republicans \$4.8 million. Democratic freshmen had median receipts of \$115,228 while Republican freshmen median was \$146,833.

Non-incumbents raised a total of \$4.3 million during the first six months of 1997, with 39 Democrats raising \$2.6 million and 43 Republicans raising \$1.7 million. In the comparable period in 1995, 24 Democrats and 50 Republicans raised almost identical amounts of \$1.6 million. In 1993's first six months, 44 Democrats raised only \$0.4 million, while 78 Republicans raised \$2.3 million.

Included in the following tables are the rankings of House members for the following categories: total receipts, contributions from individuals, PAC contributions, disbursements, cash on hand, and debts owed. Debts may relate to a previous election.

Campaign Receipts of House Incumbents through June 30, 1997

		Receipts	from Individuals	from PACs	Cash on Hand
Democrats (207)	Total	\$22.1	\$10.2	\$10.8	\$33.3
			(in millions)		
	Median	\$72,726	\$25,090	\$43,666	\$91,810
			(in dollars)		
Republicans (227)	Total	\$30.8	\$16.6	\$12.8	\$50.1
			(in millions)		
	Median	\$105,987	\$51,893	\$45,450	\$144,711
			(in dollars)		
Other Party (1)	Total	\$12,457	\$0	\$2,500	\$75,394
			(in dollars)		

Campaign Receipts of House Incumbents through June 30, 1995

		Receipts	from Individuals	from PACs	Cash on Hand
Democrats (202)	Total	\$17.4	\$7.5	\$8.4	\$31.3
			(in millions)		
	Median	\$64,691	\$17,583	\$34,000	\$70,354
			(in dollars)		
Republicans (232)	Total	\$28.1	\$14.2	\$13.3	\$38.3
			(in millions)		
	Median	\$110,203	\$51,119	\$47,331	\$110,615
			(in dollars)		
Other Party (1)	Total	\$11,539	\$3,957	\$0	\$10,356
			(in dollars)		

Campaign Receipts of House Incumbents through June 30, 1993

		Receipts	from Individuals	from PACs	Cash on Hand
Democrats (258)	Total	\$21.1	\$7.8	\$11.7	\$32.7
			(in millions)		
	Median	\$69,598	\$16,130	\$39,303	\$51,157
			(in dollars)		
Republicans (176)	Total	\$12.9	\$6.7	\$5.3	\$19.4
			(in millions)		
	Median	\$63,290	\$24,855	\$25,772	\$58,142
			(in dollars)		
Other Party (1)	Total	\$10,635	\$453	\$1,000	\$17,732
			(in dollars)		

Campaign Receipts of House Freshmen through June 30, 1997

	Receipts	from Individuals	from PACs	Cash on Hand	Debts Owed 6/30/97	Debts Owed 12/31/96
Democrats (42)	\$5.0	\$2.2	\$2.5	\$3.1	\$4.7	\$5.4
Median	\$115,228	\$45,901	\$59,000	\$59,925	\$27,972	\$58,498
Republicans (32)	\$4.8	\$2.5	\$2.1	\$3.5	\$2.6	\$3.1
Median	\$146,833	\$68,945	\$59,083	\$81,938	\$3,037	\$22,570

Campaign Receipts of House Freshmen through June 30, 1995

	Receipts	from Individuals	from PACs	Cash on Hand	Debts Owed 6/30/95	Debts Owed 12/31/94
Democrats (15)	\$1.2	\$0.5	\$0.5	\$1.1	\$0.5	\$0.8
Median	\$72,971	\$29,676	\$35,500	\$23,807	\$11,750	\$23,983
Republicans (73)	\$10.4	\$5.4	\$4.4	\$5.9	\$5.4	\$7.6
Median	\$123,104	\$62,405	\$55,550	\$59,698	\$12,864	\$47,722

Campaign Receipts of House Freshmen through June 30, 1993

	Receipts	from Individuals	from PACs	Cash on Hand	Debts Owed 6/30/93	Debts Owed 12/31/92
Democrats (15)	\$4.7	\$1.6	\$2.7	\$1.7	\$3.2	\$4.9
Median	\$69,783	\$15,550	\$41,350	\$19,426	\$23,000	\$55,500
Republicans (73)	\$3.3	\$2.2	\$1.0	\$1.4	\$2.5	\$3.3
Median	\$69,369	\$36,128	\$21,250	\$20,944	\$10,000	\$30,727

Campaign Receipts of House Non Incumbents through June 30, 1997

	Receipts	from Individuals	from PACs	Cash on Hand	Debts Owed 6/30/97	
Democrats (39)	Total	\$2.6	\$1.8	\$0.2	\$2.2	\$1.5
	Median	\$28,097	\$19,845	\$500	\$23,361	\$0
Republicans (43)	Total	\$1.7	\$1.1	\$0.0	\$1.2	\$0.7
	Median	\$26,879	\$19,050	\$0	\$12,203	\$4,600

Campaign Receipts of House Non Incumbents through June 30, 1995

	Receipts	from Individuals	from PACs	Cash on Hand	Debts Owed 6/30/95	
Democrats (24)	Total	\$1.6	\$1.1	\$0.1	\$1.3	\$0.6
	Median	\$23,123	\$15,325	\$0	\$22,441	\$0
Republicans (50)	Total	\$1.6	\$1.0	\$0.0	\$1.1	\$1.2
	Median	\$11,467	\$6,246	\$0	\$5,217	\$599

Campaign Receipts of House Non Incumbents through June 30, 1993

	Receipts	from Individuals	from PACs	Cash on Hand	Debts Owed 6/30/93	
Democrats (44)	Total	\$0.4	\$0.3	\$0.0	\$0.2	\$1.0
	Median	\$5,652	\$982	\$0	\$1,014	\$8,150
Republicans (78)	Total	\$2.3	\$0.5	\$0.0	\$0.6	\$4.8
	Median	\$4,894	\$1,438	\$0	\$365	\$6,021