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Honoring

Robert D. Reischauer

2012 recipient of the Robert M. Ball Award

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Welcome and Thank you

Thank you for joining us this evening as we celebrate and honor the legacy of NASI's founder, Robert M. Ball, Commissioner of Social Security (1962-1973), by recognizing the significant and ongoing contributions of Robert D. Reischauer to the country's social insurance programs.

We are delighted and honored to co-chair the 2012 Robert M. Ball Award Event Committee. Having known Bob Reischauer for many years, we cannot think of a more deserving recipient of this unique honor. Throughout his prolific career, Bob Reischauer, like Bob Ball, has brought people together. Bob Reischauer's leadership has empowered decision-makers with the necessary knowledge to maintain the strong social insurance system on which all Americans rely.

The generous sponsors – organizations and individuals – of tonight's gathering deserve a big thank you. The funds you have contributed function as critical start-up capital for new projects and programs – essential seed money that supports the continuity and growth of NASI's research and education work.

We would also like to thank our colleagues and friends who volunteered their time and energy to serve on the Event Committee. Most importantly, we thank the diligent NASI staff. All your efforts have made tonight's celebration a memorable experience and a great success.

Henry Aaron & G. William (Bill) Hoagland Event Committee Co-Chairs

Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres

Welcome Janice Gregory, President

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Reflections on the Honoree

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Remarks from the Honoree

Robert D. Reischauer

Celebratory Toast

John Rother, President and CEO, National Coalition on Health Care

Margaret Simms, Institute Fellow, The Urban Institute

Music by Scott Morgan and Friends

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A cross the significant leadership roles and responsibilities Robert D. Reischauer has held, he has been steadfastly committed to the principles of social insurance and to promoting economic security for all Americans. Like Bob Ball, Reischauer's pragmatic approach and insights have helped policymakers adapt U.S. social insurance programs to respond to emerging challenges. He continues to be one of this country's foremost public policy analysts and commentators.

"I've had the privilege of knowing and working with
Bob for many years — through NASI, as well as serving
together on the Board of Directors of the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities,
and in other areas of public service," said Ken Apfel, Director of the Management,
Finance and Leadership Program at the University of Maryland, and former NASI
Board Chair. "He is undoubtedly one of the most prominent and widely respected
leaders in the field of social insurance. Bob has helped our policymakers, our country,
navigate many difficult challenges. His thoughtful tenacity and ability to work with all
parties, coupled with his emphasis on evidence-based policy research, has helped to

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advance and strengthen our social insurance programs so that Americans can enjoy a greater degree of economic security. That he has served in so many different capacities is testament to his nuanced grasp of major policy issues and his intellectual curiosity, as well as his energy and charisma. I know Bob will continue to make great contributions to the field of social insurance."

Reischauer's extensive writings and commentary on federal budget policy, healthcare, Social Security, social welfare issues, education, and state and local fiscal challenges have been widely cited. He has testified frequently before Congress, and national media outlets regularly turn to him to help explain the implications of developments across the public policy landscape.

One of the most prominent voices for social insurance issues, Reischauer became a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2011. He is also a fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration and a member of the Institute of Medicine at the National Academies. Reischauer holds an A.B. in political science from Harvard University and an M.I.A. and Ph.D. in economics from Columbia University.

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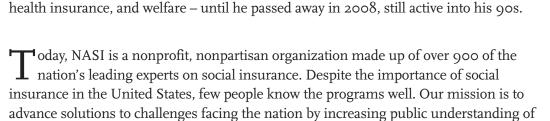
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This award honors the legacy of Robert M. Ball, who served as Commissioner of Social Security from 1962 to 1973, and was an important participant in every Social Security development of the past 60 years. Bob Ball founded NASI in 1986 to preserve the nonpartisan forum on social insurance. As the Founding Chair of NASI, he continued to serve as an unofficial advisor to many policymakers while also writing and advising on Social Security, Medicare, national

how social insurance contributes to economic security.



NASI remains a place where various views and unparalleled expertise come together. We are dedicated to educating audiences in all arenas and correcting misinformation to ensure that accurate, fact-based research is what informs policymaking rather than myths and misconceptions.

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