Museum group calls Burr a champion

By The Burr Senatorial Office

U.S. Sen. Richard Burr (R-NC) was honored Monday by the Association of American Museums for his support of our nation’s museums, aquariums and other historical sites and his recognition of the integral role they play in education, job creation, tourism, and environmental and historical conservation.

Burr was an original co-sponsor of the Museum and Library Services Act of 2010. His efforts to champion this bill yielded the reauthorization of the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the federal advocate for museums and libraries that encourages the President and Congress to promote policies that increase public access to information and ideas.

“I am honored to receive this award from the Association of American Museums, and I thank them for the important work they do,” Senator Burr said. “Museums, aquariums and historical sites are economic and educational engines for local communities and we owe it to all Americans to protect these vital resources and ensure they are around for future generations as well.”

Kimberly Rorschach, director of the Nasher Museum of Art at Duke University, attended the Museums Advocacy Day reception to present the award to Senator Burr.

US Sen. Daniel Inouye and US Reps. Aaron Schock and Xavier Becerra were also honored by the AAM.