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## Doug Gorman named chair of national subcommittee

Broken Arrow resident Doug Gorman has been named chairman of a national subcommittee for manufactured housing.

Gorman was named chairman in late February by Alphonso Jackson, Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

“Daunting” is how Gorman described the task ahead of him.

“I want to help make laws less punitive to manufacturers while continuing to protect consumers,” Gorman said.

Gorman’s Regulatory Enforcement Subcommittee is one of five subcommittees that form the Manufactured Housing Improvement Act Census Committee.

Gorman was appointed to the committee in December by former HUD Secretary Mel Martinez. He is the only member from Oklahoma and serves with 20 other nationally appointed members.

Before entering the retail business in 1988 when he founded Home Mart with his wife Millie, Gorman worked for housing manufacturers.

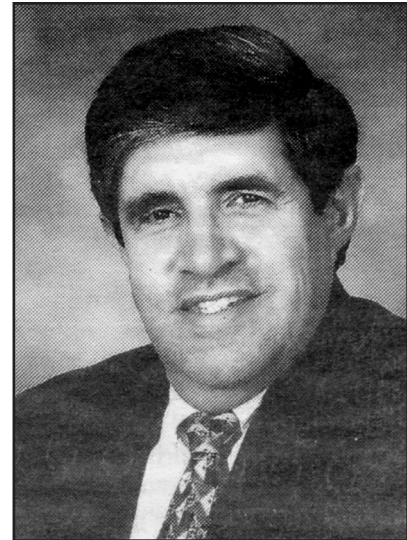
“As a retailer I understand the concerns consumers have, but since I’ve also been a manufacturer I recognize how excessive some of the regulations have become,” he said.

Gorman’s company, Home Mart, has won the Manufactured Housing Institute’s Retailer of the Year Award for six consecutive years, starting in 1998.

Gorman was named Small Business Person of the Year in 2000 by the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce.

He has been a volunteer or director for many local agencies, including Junior Achievement, Tulsa Metropolitan Ministries, the Boy Scouts of America and the Tulsa Day Center for the Homeless.

Gorman recently announced his candidacy for State Senate District 25 as a Republican.



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