Hartford – The members of the Connecticut Hall of Fame Committee and legislative leaders have formally unveiled plans for the creation of the Connecticut Hall of Fame to recognize the outstanding achievements of Connecticut individuals. The committee is composed of Senators Joseph Crisco (D-Woodbridge), John McKinney (R-Fairfield) and Representatives Elizabeth “Betty” Boukus (D-Plainville), Michael Caron (R-Danielson).

The Connecticut Hall of Fame will be located in the break-out area of the second floor of the Legislative Office Building (L.O.B.). The designation will appear across the top of the entryway. The names of the inductees will be installed on the walls on both sides of the break-out area. All lettering will be in brass.

The hall of fame is designed to recognize those individuals from Connecticut who have distinguished themselves in their professions, nationally or internationally. It will also have an education function because of the great number of students who visit the Capitol and L.O.B. annually.

The selection process is scheduled to get underway after June 30, the deadline for submitting nominations. During the first round of nominations, the committee will select up to six individuals for awards, three of which will be posthumous. The Connecticut Historical Society, the State Library, the Legislative Library, and other libraries and individuals will be invited to nominate people for consideration.

An appropriate award will be presented to or on behalf of inductees, and the day of the award ceremony will be designated as “Connecticut Hall of Fame Day.”
Funding for the Connecticut Hall of Fame is expected to come from corporate contributions, grants, and contributions from individuals, foundations and, potentially, appropriate state agencies.