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## **SEN. JOHNNY ISAKSON HONORED FOR SUPPORTING THE MANUFACTURING AGENDA**

### *NAM Says Votes Vital to Job Creation and Economic Growth*

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 6, 2009 – Senator Johnny Isakson (R-GA) received the *National Association of Manufacturers (NAM) Award for Manufacturing Legislative Excellence* today at an award event sponsored by Dixie Industrial Finishing Co., Inc. in Tucker, Georgia. The *NAM Award* honors federal lawmakers whose voting records have consistently supported manufacturing in America.

Jim Jones, vice president, Dixie Industrial Finishing Co., presented the *NAM Award* to Sen. Isakson.

“Sen. Isakson has spent over 30 years serving his fellow Georgians with a common sense and result-oriented approach to business” Jones said. “We are fortunate to have Sen. Isakson in Washington advocating policies that will allow us to grow, create domestic manufacturing jobs, expand internationally and stay ahead of the global competition.”

“Sen. Isakson has demonstrated a true understanding of manufacturing’s key role in the strength of the American economy and has acted to maintain and create manufacturing jobs,” said NAM President John Engler from Washington.

The *NAM Award* is given to members of the House and Senate who support key manufacturing votes 70 percent or more of the time, as determined by an advisory committee composed of NAM members from small and large manufacturers.

Sen. Isakson’s NAM voting record was an exemplary 100 percent in the 110<sup>th</sup> Congress. He was one of 43 senators and 181 representatives who earned the *NAM Award*. Members of Congress are notified in advance when an upcoming vote has been designated a “key vote” by the NAM.

“The *NAM Award* is a nonpartisan indicator to help manufacturers and their employees sort out the true allies of manufacturing based on their votes on key issues that affect the manufacturing economy,” Engler noted.

Voting records for members of Congress -- including those who scored 70 percent or better to earn the *NAM Award* -- are available at [www.nam.org/votingrecord](http://www.nam.org/votingrecord) with further details about the NAM Key Manufacturing Votes.