Don Young Receives NRA Award

WASHINGTON — The National Rifle Association has selected Rep. Don Young (R-Alaska) as a recipient of its "Defender of Individual Rights"

"Rep. Young has long been a staunch defender of the law-abiding citizens' right to own firearms," stated Harlon B. Carter, executive director of the NRA's Institute for Legislative

Action.

Governmental Affairs Director and chief lobbyist Richard L. Corrigan stated, "Congressman Young has repeatedly stood up for the rights of gun owners in the halls of Congress by opposing legislation such as H.R. 11193, a bill designed to eliminate a majority of legally held handguns and put a full threefourths of licensed firearms dealers out of business. As a member of the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee, which has jurisdiction over wildlife legislation, Rep. Young has been a constant friend and supporter of the responsible hunter.

A resident and former mayor of Fort Yukon, Rep. Young is currently serving his second term in Congress. He has been a member of the state legislature, serving in both the House and the Senate, and previously worked as an educator and riverboat captain.

The awards program was initiated as a means of expressing

the appreciation of the NRA's over one million members to Members of Congress who have stood in the forefront in the battle against restrictive gun control legislation. Beginning this year, awards will be pre-



U.S. Rep. Dan Young (R.Alaska), receives the National Rifle Association's "Defender of Individual Rights" award from Richard L. Corrigan (left), director of the Governmental Affairs Division of the NRA Institute for Legislative Action and Michael McFarland, federal information liaison with the division, Rep. Young was presented the award for his achievements in the House on behalf of firearms owners and sportsmen throughout the nation.