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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

AAPT Member, Noah Finkelstein, to Testify at Congressional Hearing

College Park, Maryland, January 28, 2010—Noah Finkelstein, Associate Professor of Physics and Co-director of the Integrating STEM Education Initiative at the University of Colorado-Boulder, will testify on Strengthening Undergraduate and Graduate STEM Education before the US House of Representatives Committee on Science and Technology, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education at a hearing on February 4, 2010. An active member of AAPT, Finkelstein is a member of the Colorado/Wyoming AAPT Section, the Physics Education Research (PER) Group, and the PER Leadership Organizing Council.

Additional testimony at the hearing will be provided by:

- Joan Ferrini-Mundy, Ph.D, Director, Division of Research on Learning in Formal and Informal Settings,
 Directorate for Education and Human Resources, National Science Foundation
- Karen Klomparens, Ph.D, Associate Provost of Graduate Education; Dean, Graduate School; Professor of Plant Biology; Provost's Representative to ADAPP
- Robert D. Mathieu, Ph.D, Professor of Astronomy, The University of Wisconsin, Department of Astronomy
- Rick Stevens, Ph.D, Associate Laboratory Director for Computing, Environment and Life Sciences, Argonne National Laboratory, Professor of Computer Science, University of Chicago

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About AAPT

AAPT is an international organization for physics educators, physicists, and industrial scientists—with more than 10,000 members worldwide. Dedicated to enhancing the understanding and appreciation of physics through teaching, AAPT provides awards, publications, and programs that encourage practical application of physics principles, support continuing professional development, and reward excellence in physics education. AAPT was founded in 1930 and is headquartered in the American Center for Physics in College Park, Maryland.

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