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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: CONSERVATIVES **1:30 pm**  
ROOM 450  
THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 1990

Jerry Falwell, Ed Prince,  
and Mike Valerio

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((Let me close with a story about a conservative in a Washington hotel. One morning he called down to the front desk and said his room didn't have a Bible. The desk clerk said, "The Bible's in the top drawer." // Replied the conservative: "I mean I can't find a copy of 'National Review.'")) //

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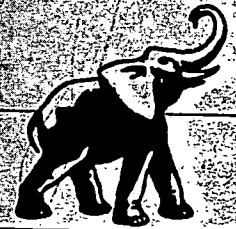
Thank you for the privilege of addressing you. And God bless the United States of America.

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# Thomas E. Dewey

and his times

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OF THE MAKER  
OF THE MODERN  
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Richard Norton Smith

there was a bill pending before Congress, co-authored by Senator Karl Mundt and Representative Richard Nixon, that would outlaw the party definitively. Why did Dewey—not to mention Henry Wallace—oppose such a ban? Stassen wanted to know. “We must not coddle Communism with legality,” he warned.

When Dewey’s turn came, he fumbled for dates, misplaced a congressional report that belied Stassen’s contention that the Mundt-Nixon bill would outlaw the party, and discarded a formal text in favor of short, powerful jabs reminiscent of his earlier courtroom performances. The effect was all the more persuasive for its artlessness. Dewey praised the “fine, solid, good American job,” being done by the House Un-American Activities Committee, but quoted Mundt himself to portray Stassen as being in “grievous error” in his sweeping claims for Mundt-Nixon. He cited the unhappy experience of Canada, another nation frightened into outlawing Communism, only to find itself unwitting host to an international espionage ring operating out of the Russian embassy in Ottawa

“This outlawing idea is nothing new,” Dewey asserted. “It is as old as government. For thousands of years, despots have tortured, imprisoned, killed, and exiled their opponents; and their governments have always fallen into the dust.” He pointed for proof to Czarist Russia, Mussolini’s Italy, and Vichy France. Dewey was “grateful,” he said, for Stassen’s bringing up “the beautiful example” of Czechoslovakia, and asked if the American people really wished to adopt totalitarian methods to defeat totalitarianism abroad. “There’s no such thing as a constitutional right to destroy all constitutional rights,” he insisted. Then, in words long remembered by listeners who forgot other debating points, Dewey growled out his position.

“I am unalterably, wholeheartedly, and unswervingly against any scheme to write laws outlawing people because of their religion, political, social, or economic ideas. I am against it because it is a violation of the Constitution of the United States and of the Bill of Rights, and clearly so. I am against it because it is immoral and nothing but totalitarianism itself. I am against it because I know from a great many years experience in the enforcement of the law that the proposal wouldn’t work, and instead it would rapidly advance the cause of Communism in the United States and all over the world. . . . Stripped to its naked essentials, this is nothing but the method of Hitler and Stalin. It is thought control, borrowed from the Japanese war leadership. It is an attempt to beat down ideas with a club. It is a surrender of everything we believe in.”<sup>33</sup>

# CONVICTS LEADERSHIP FOR AMERICA

## The Bureaucracy

"We are always reading statistics and figures. Half of America do nothing but prepare propaganda for the other half to read."

--February 24, 1929

## The Democrats' Major 1980 Hope

"The short memories of the American voter is what keeps our politicians in office."

--April 7, 1930

## Everything is Politics

"I love a dog. He does nothing for political reasons."

--December 3, 1933

## Washington's Fixation with Politics

"Politics isn't worrying this country one-tenth as much as parking space."

--January 6, 1924

## President Carter's Economists

"An economist is a man who can tell you what can happen under any given conditions, and his guess is liable to be just as good as anybody's else's."

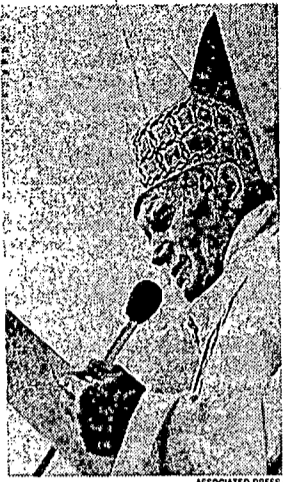
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Pope John Paul II delivers his Easter message at St. Peter's Basilica.

## Freedom Is Theme For Easter

*Observances Focus On Eastern Europe*

By Sari Horwitz  
and Eugene L. Meyer  
Washington Post Staff Writers

The rebirth of religious freedom in Eastern Europe became the common theme yesterday in exuberant Easter celebrations from Sofia to Bucharest to Rome and Los Angeles.

In Rome, Pope John Paul II delivered a special greeting in Lithuanian and hailed the "reawakening of many democracies."

In Berlin, East and West Germans flocked across borders and packed churches.

In Romania, in a dramatic break with the past, state television broadcast religious services while newspapers published religious messages and large front-page illustrations of Jesus.

Many Romanian families had spent their Saturday dusting off icons, baking traditional holiday breads and painting eggs with red dye. "We kept our icons hidden," said Iancu Matei, a farmer near Bucharest, "but now we've brought them out and put them back on the walls."

In Sofia, more than 100,000 Bulgarians crowded the streets for a pre-dawn Mass, many carrying candles, some recalling to reporters the not-too-distant days when names were taken by Communist officials as Christians entered churches to celebrate Mass.

Eastern Europe was the theme in Los Angeles as well. The annual Hollywood Bowl service was dedicated this year to the new religious freedom there. Religious leaders representing Romania, Latvia, Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Croatia, offered blessings in their native languages.

In Vatican Square, 100,000 worshippers, many of them brightly clad, gathered on the steps of St. Peter's Basilica to hear the pope deliver a special greeting in Lithuanian and express the hope that citizens of that breakaway Soviet republic would achieve their goal of independence through "respectful and comprehensive" dialogue with Moscow.

"In the name of Jesus dead and risen for all men, we ask for peace for our children in the dear Lithuania nation, while we hope that their aspirations find confirmation in a respectful and comprehensive dialogue," the pope said in his Easter day address broadcast from Vatican City to more than 50 countries.

The day marked the rare convergence of three major religious holidays—Easter (for both the Western and Orthodox Christian churches), Passover and the Moslem observance of Ramadan.

As a cold rain sprinkled the crowd, he delivered his remarks in more than two dozen languages.

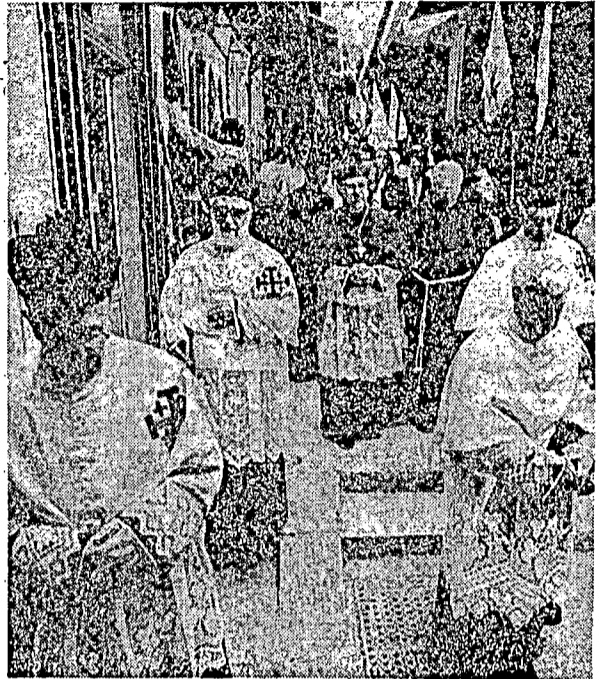
"After the horrors of two world wars and all the [other] wars which in these last 60 years, often in the name of godless ideologies, have reared the harvest of victims and sown hatred in so many nations . . . the true dimensions of the spirit have been discovered anew," the pope said.

"Today as well," he said, "the awakening of many democracies is leading to dialogue and trust between peoples, and the world is coming to understand once again that man cannot live without God."

Expressions of religious fervor were manifest throughout the formerly communist Eastern Bloc countries. The Romanian people enjoyed a three-day public holiday ending today. There were packed churches and candlelight processions, followed by traditional feasting on lamb.

In Berlin, border guards waved West Berliners through the Brandenburg gate, as churchgoers attended Catholic services at St. Hedwig's Cathedral and Lutheran services at St. Mary's Church in East Berlin.

The pope did not dwell exclusively on Eastern Europe.  
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REUTERS  
Patriarch of the Holy Land Michel Sabbah, center, walks to Mass in Jerusalem.

## Freedom in Eastern Europe Is Focus of Easter Observances

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ly on Eastern Europe. He recalled his January trip to the Sahel region of Africa, where he said he had "seen the sand burying villages, drying up wells, burning the eyes, turning children into skeletons . . . as it brings desperation, starvation, sickness and death—death from hunger and thirst."

The international focus on Eastern Europe should not allow the problems of the impoverished Third World to be overlooked, he said. "Let yourselves be convinced that

there can be no freedom where misery continues to exist."

As if to underscore the pope's message, gunfire competed with church bells in the streets of East Beirut as thousands of Lebanese Christians celebrated Easter amid the threat of renewed civil war.

In Jerusalem, Israeli riot police patrolled the Old City's Christian quarter, where Christians believe Jesus was buried and resurrected at the site of the Holy Sepulcher Church.

There was no violence as about 800 worshippers attended a Catholic Easter service there.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH:           CHRISS WINSTON *W*  
FROM:               CURT SMITH *CS*  
SUBJECT:            OUTSIDE THE BELTWAY CONSERVATIVES

I. SUMMARY:

On Thursday, April 26, you will address an audience of 150 people in Room 450 of the Old Executive Office Building at 1:30 in the afternoon. The audience has been recruited from grass-roots conservative organizations -- i.e. board members, donors, business executives -- located outside of the "Beltway". The proposed remarks are 10 minutes long and will be prepared on speechcards.

II. DISCUSSION:

The enclosed remarks focus on the Administration's commitment to a new model of government -- the New Paradigm -- which returns power to the people. Specifically, the text focuses on such issues as capital gains, child care, the Clean Air Act, voluntary prayer, and crime and drugs.

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can see that what's right is also what works. As I have said many times before: We know what works. Freedom works. And we are not going to let discredited ideologies block the progress of our principles.

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And just yesterday I sent to Congress a three-part budget reform package that: proposes an amendment to the constitution to provide a Line-Item Veto; endorses the Legislative Line-Item Veto Act to strengthen the President's rescission authority; and endorses a balanced budget amendment. The time has come to enact into law these important changes.

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Kathy Rust

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HEADLINE: The Candidates on the Issues

BODY:

#### ABORTION

BUSH: Would allow abortion only in cases of rape, incest or to protect life of mother. Opposes public spending on abortion.

DUKAKIS: Supports women's right to choose. Favors Medicaid financing for abortions for low-income women.

#### AGRICULTURE

BUSH: Opposed Harkin-Gephardt bill, which sought to increase prices by limiting production through mandatory controls. Supports phasing out farm subsidies if trading partners do.

DUKAKIS: Initially opposed Harkin-Gephardt bill, but reversed his position this year. Favors targeting subsidies to small farms.

#### AIDS

BUSH: Says U.S. may have to spend more on research and education. Favors mandatory testing for military, prisoners, immigrants and Foreign Service. Backed Presidential commission call for legislation to protect AIDS victims from discrimination.

DUKAKIS: Favors \$1 billion increase in funding for research and education. Opposes mandatory testing, except for military, prisoners and some immigrants. Endorsed civil rights protections for AIDS victims.

#### CHILD CARE

BUSH: Proposed \$2.2 billion day care plan with "toddler tax credit" of \$1,000 to families with children under age 4, as alternative to so-called ABC bill in Senate, which budgets \$2.5 billion for states to make child care more affordable.

DUKAKIS: Supports ABC bill in Senate; advocates public-private partnerships to help poor families get affordable child care.

#### DEATH PENALTY

BUSH: Supports death penalty for crimes involving murder, treason and

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espionage, and for drug 'kingpins.'

DUKAKIS: Opposes death penalty on moral grounds.

#### DEFENSE

BUSH: Supports development of B-1 bomber, Stealth bomber, MX missile and Midgetman missile. Opposes nuclear freeze. Supports research and deployment of Strategic Defense Initiative. Supports Soviet-American treaty banning intermediate-range nuclear weapons.

DUKAKIS: Opposes mobile Midgetman and mobile MX, Supports continued research and deployment on Trident missile and Stealth bomber. Favors only limited research on Strategic Defense Initiative, which he once called 'a fantasy and a fraud.' Emphasizes improved conventional forces. Supports U.S.-U.S.S.R. treaty banning intermediate-range weapons.

#### DRUGS

BUSH: Pledges to increase funds for interdiction, prevention and treatment. Says he would place Vice President in charge of anti-drug effort and would create international anti-drug force.

DUKAKIS: Pledged to double number of Federal drug enforcement agents and add 800 prosecutors. Favors raising aid to help state and local law-enforcement agencies control narcotics. Would appoint 'drug czar' to run anti-drug effort.

#### ECONOMIC

BUSH: Rules out tax increases. Would deal with budget deficit through 'flexible freeze' on Federal budget, allowing most programs to keep pace with inflation rate. Advances free market philosophy, with as little Government role as possible. Supports Constitutional balanced budget amendment.

DUKAKIS: Favors tax increases only as 'a last resort.' Would deal with budget deficit through more vigorous collection of unpaid taxes, making 'tough choices' on spending. Advocates public-private partnerships to energize industry. Opposes Constitutional balanced budget amendment.

#### EDUCATION

BUSH: Favors \$500 million program to reward schools that succeed with children from poor homes. Favors Federal matching funds to states creating more magnet schools. Proposes tax-free savings bonds as incentive for families to save for college.

DUKAKIS: Proposed program through which students get Government loans repaid through withholding a fixed percentage of income once borrower got a job. Favors fund to provide scholarships for students committed to teaching.

#### ENVIRONMENT

BUSH: Supported Reagan veto of renewal of Clean Water Act. Vows to end ocean dumping by 1991 and beef up enforcement of pollution regulations. Says within four years would try to exceed Environmental Protection Agency goal of cutting

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wastes by 25 percent.

DUKAKIS: Supported renewal of Clean Water Act and ban on ocean dumping by 1991. Favors laws requiring industrial companies to adopt accident prevention programs, and for national standards to reduce toxic emissions.

#### EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT

BUSH: Opposes.

DUKAKIS: Supports.

#### FOREIGN RELATIONS

BUSH: Supports military and humanitarian aid to Nicaraguan rebels. Favors Reagan policy of "constructive engagement" with South Africa. Strongly backed invasion of Grenada and using U.S. forces in Persian Gulf. Opposes a separate Palestinian state. Against negotiations with Palestine Liberation Organization unless it abandons terrorism and its call for Israel's destruction.

DUKAKIS: Opposes military and humanitarian aid to Nicaraguan rebels. Favors complete divestment of U.S. companies operating in South Africa, a "terrorist state." Opposed invasion of Grenada and American warships in Persian Gulf.

Would not recognize unilateral declaration of Palestinian state.

Against a P.L.O. role in negotiations "unless it renounces terrorism in word and deed."

#### GUN CONTROL

BUSH: Opposes Federal registration of guns and licensing of gun owners. Opposes efforts to restrict sale of pistols.

DUKAKIS: For stricter controls on owning a pistol and restrictions on sale of pistols.

#### NUCLEAR POWER

BUSH: Supports construction of new reactors with high safety standards.

DUKAKIS: Questions safety and feasibility of nuclear power.

#### SCHOOL PRAYER

BUSH: Supports Constitutional amendment to allow prayer.

DUKAKIS: Opposes Constitutional amendment.

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION OF 1988; ELECTION ISSUES; DEBATING

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FOR INSTANCE, CONSERVATIVES BELIEVE IN YANKEE INGENUITY. ((I RECALL HOW A MOTHER ONCE TOLD HER SON, "I HAVE A PRETTY GOOD IDEA THAT YOU SKIPPED YOUR PIANO LESSON AND PLAYED BASEBALL." // THE SON SAID HE HADN'T. THE MOTHER SAID, "ARE YOU SURE?" // THE SON REPLIED, "UH-UH. AND I HAVE A FISH TO PROVE IT.") //

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CONSERVATIVES ALSO BELIEVE IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. ((THE MORE I KNOW ABOUT THE HUBBLE TELESCOPE, THE MORE IMPRESSED I AM. IT'S SO POWERFUL IT WILL HELP US UNDERSTAND BLACK HOLES. // WHAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND IS WHY ANYONE WOULD WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT LIBERAL PHILOSOPHY.)) //

FINALLY, CONSERVATIVES SHARE A VISION. ((I KNOW: SOME REPORTERS SAY I DON'T HAVE ONE. SORRY, I DON'T SEE IT.)) //

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INSTEAD, I SEE A VISION AS SWEEPING AS OUR HERITAGE -- AN AMERICA OF PROSPERITY; A WORLD OF REAL PEACE. THE QUESTION IS: HOW DO WE ENSURE THAT VISION FOR OUR GENERATION AND OUR KIDS?

FOR AN ANSWER, RECALL HOW, 150 YEARS AGO, THE FRENCH STATESMAN TOCQUEVILLE ENVISIONED A FUTURE THAT WOULD "OPEN BEFORE [US]." //

ITS POSSIBILITIES WERE INFINITE, HE WROTE, BECAUSE OF AMERICA'S NEW MODEL -- ITS NEW PARADIGM [PARA-DIME] -- OF GOVERNMENT: A DEMOCRACY BASED ON A FREE MARKET SYSTEM UNLEASHING THE FULL ENERGY OF THE HUMAN HEART AND MIND. //

THAT GOVERNMENT AROSE FROM PERHAPS THE ULTIMATE EXERCISE IN RETURNING POWER TO THE PEOPLE. THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION. //

NOW, TWO CENTURIES LATER, WHEN OLD CENTRALIZED BUREAUCRATIC SYSTEMS ARE CRUMBLING, THE TIME HAS COME FOR ANOTHER NEW PARADIGM. // A FORM OF GOVERNMENT WHICH -- LIKE THE SPIRIT OF '76 -- GIVES POWER BACK TO LOCALITIES, AND STATES, AND MOST IMPORTANT, TO THE PEOPLE. A MODEL WHICH REJECTS THE VIEW THAT PROGRESS IS MEASURED IN MONEY SPENT AND BUREAUCRACIES BUILT. //

THE FIRST PRINCIPLE OF OUR NEW PARADIGM IS THAT AS MARKET FORCES GROW STRONGER, OUR WORLD BECOMES SMALLER.

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PUT ANOTHER WAY, WE MUST BE COMPETITIVE TO ENSURE ECONOMIC GROWTH. // SO I AGAIN URGE CONGRESS TO PASS OUR CAPITAL GAINS TAX CUT -- SPURRING INVESTMENTS AND, THUS, JOBS. WE DON'T WANT GOVERNMENT TO SPEND MORE. WE WANT PRIVATE ENTERPRISE TO THRIVE SO THAT PEOPLE WILL HAVE MORE MONEY TO SAVE, INVEST, AND SPEND. //

TO MOST AMERICANS, THAT'S A GOOD IDEA. AS IS THE SECOND PRINCIPLE OF OUR NEW PARADIGM: THE FREEDOM TO CHOOSE.

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WE WANT TO REDUCE WHAT GOVERNMENT SHOULD DO AND INCREASE WHAT PEOPLE CAN DO. // SO I SUPPORT A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT RESTORING VOLUNTARY PRAYER. // WE NEED THE FAITH OF OUR FATHERS BACK IN OUR SCHOOLS.

CHOICE ALSO MEANS THAT PARENTS SHOULD DECIDE WHICH PUBLIC SCHOOL IS BEST FOR THEIR KIDS. SO WE PROPOSED OUR EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE ACT OF 1990 TO PROVIDE INCENTIVES FOR MAGNET SCHOOL PROGRAMS.

MANY STATES ARE TRYING OUT POLICIES BASED ON CHOICE AND FINDING OUT THEY WORK. // BUT SOME THINK ONLY BIG BROTHER CAN REVIVE EDUCATION. I BELIEVE EXCELLENCE COMES FROM HIGHER STANDARDS, GREATER ACCOUNTABILITY, AND MORE FREEDOM TO MOVE WITHIN A SCHOOL SYSTEM. // IF YOU AGREE, HELP ME CONVINCING THE HOUSE TO PASS THIS BILL. //

THAT LEADS TO THE THIRD PRINCIPLE OF THE NEW PARADIGM: THE MEANS TO CHOOSE.

WE MUST EMPOWER DISADVANTAGED AMERICANS. SO WE HAVE UNVEILED A PROGRAM TO HELP THE POOR RUN OR -- BETTER YET -- OWN THEIR PUBLIC HOUSING UNITS. AND WE SUPPORT A CHILD-CARE TAX CREDIT FOR LOW-INCOME WORKING PARENTS THAT ENABLES THEM TO CARE FOR THEIR KIDS IN THE MANNER THEY CHOOSE. AND I WILL NOT SEE THE OPTION OF RELIGIOUS-BASED CHILD CARE RESTRICTED OR ELIMINATED. //

NOW, I KNOW MANY LIBERALS DISAGREE.

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THAT'S WHY LAST MONTH THE HOUSE DEMOCRATIC LEADERSHIP PASSED A BILL THAT WOULD COST NEARLY \$30 BILLION -- THREE TIMES OUR ORIGINAL PROPOSAL -- AND FORCE MANY STATES TO CHANGE THEIR RULES. // IN EFFECT, IT WOULD PRODUCE NATIONAL CHILD CARE STANDARDS, INTENDED TO REPLACE LOCAL STANDARDS THAT MEET LOCAL NEEDS. AND PUT IN PLACE MORE UNNECESSARY PAPERWORK.

CONSERVATIVES KNOW THAT WE DON'T NEED THIS NEW BUREAUCRACY.

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IT WOULD MERELY PROVE WHAT WILL ROGERS SAID: "HALF OF AMERICA DOES NOTHING BUT PREPARE PROPAGANDA FOR THE OTHER HALF TO READ." // SO LET'S EXPAND THE HORIZONS OF OUR KIDS -- NOT THE BUDGET OF OUR BUREAUCRACY. AND THROUGH TAX INCENTIVES, GIVE FAMILIES THE HELP THEY NEED TO SOLVE THEIR CHILD-CARE PROBLEMS THEMSELVES. //

NEXT COMES THE FOURTH PRINCIPLE OF OUR NEW PARADIGM: DECENTRALIZATION. //

**IN AMERICA, THIS MEANS DISPERSING AUTHORITY TO THE LEVEL CLOSEST TO THE SOURCE OF AUTHORITY: THE PEOPLE. IN PLACES SUCH AS PERU, FOR EXAMPLE, HERNANDO DE SOTO, THE BRILLIANT PERUVIAN ECONOMIST, FOUND THAT WITHOUT ANY CENTRALIZED BUREAUCRATIC DIRECTION, THE ORDINARY STREETSIDE ENTREPRENEURS OF LIMA ARE PRODUCING WEALTH ON A SCALE THAT RIVALS THE ECONOMY OFFICIALLY-APPROVED BY THE STATE BUREAUCRACY.**

**AND ELSEWHERE IN THE WORLD, DECENTRALIZATION HAS COME ABOUT THROUGH NOTHING LESS THAN THE TRIUMPH OF DEMOCRACY OVER BUREAUCRACY.**

**CONSERVATIVES KNOW THAT A STRONG DEFENSE HAS AND WILL CONTINUE TO HELP ALL PEOPLES SECURE THE RIGHT TO THINK, DREAM, AND WORSHIP AS THEY PLEASE. IN LITHUANIA -- AS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND NICARAGUA, BUDAPEST AND BERLIN -- THE WORDS OF THOMAS E. DEWEY RING TRUE: YOU CAN'T "BEAT DOWN IDEAS WITH A CLUB." //**

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TODAY, FREEDOM IS ON THE MARCH -- AND WILL NOT BE DENIED. //

THE FIFTH AND FINAL PRINCIPLE OF THE NEW PARADIGM IS WHAT I REFERRED TO EARLIER: WE WANT WHAT WORKS. OUR PRINCIPLES, CONSERVATIVE PRINCIPLES, WERE ALWAYS RIGHT. NOW THE WHOLE WORLD CAN SEE THAT WHAT'S RIGHT IS ALSO WHAT WORKS. AS I HAVE SAID MANY TIMES BEFORE: WE KNOW WHAT WORKS.

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FREEDOM WORKS. AND WE ARE NOT GOING TO LET DISCREDITED IDEOLOGIES BLOCK THE PROGRESS OF OUR PRINCIPLES.

ASK ANYONE IN PANAMA OR POLAND: TYRANNY DOESN'T WORK. FREEDOM DOES. // AT HOME, WE ALSO WANT WHAT WORKS. SO WE HAVE REACHED AGREEMENT WITH THE SENATE LEADERSHIP ON THE FIRST REWRITE OF THE CLEAN AIR ACT IN OVER A DECADE. I CALL ON THE HOUSE TO RESPOND SOON, AND RESPONSIBLY. //

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AND WE HAVE UNVEILED A COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGY TO FREE AMERICA OF CRIME AND DRUGS. WE'RE ASKING CONGRESS TO EXPAND THE DEATH PENALTY FOR DRUG KINGPINS. AND WE NEED TO TOUGHEN CRIME LAWS AT THE STATE LEVEL -- JUST AS WE ARE IN WASHINGTON. // MY VISION FOR THE 1990S IS AN AMERICA WHERE THE PUNISHMENT IS AT LEAST AS TOUGH AS THE CRIME.

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AND JUST YESTERDAY I SENT TO CONGRESS A THREE-PART BUDGET REFORM PACKAGE THAT: PROPOSES AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE A LINE-ITEM VETO; ENDORSES THE LEGISLATIVE LINE-ITEM VETO ACT TO STRENGTHEN THE PRESIDENT'S RECISSION AUTHORITY; AND ENDORSES A BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT. THE TIME HAS COME TO ENACT INTO LAW THESE IMPORTANT CHANGES.

OUR VISION, I THINK, IS ONE MOST CONSERVATIVES SUPPORT.

IT IS A VISION OF LIMITED GOVERNMENT -- AND UNLIMITED OPPORTUNITY. A VISION TO PROTECT THE FAMILY, EMPOWER THE POOR, AND REWARD CREATIVITY.

THE NEW PARADIGM CAN FULFILL IT, AND I ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT. TO ACHIEVE PROMISE, NOT MAKE EMPTY PROMISES. LIFTING PEOPLE UP -- AND KEEPING BUREAUCRACIES DOWN. // AS CONSERVATIVES, WE REJECT THE HAND OF BIG GOVERNMENT IN FAVOR OF A THOUSAND POINTS OF LIGHT, JOINING HANDS AND LINKING HEARTS.

WHAT A DREAM TO ENRICH AMERICA -- AND HELP AMERICA ENRICH THE WORLD. //

THANK YOU FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF ADDRESSING YOU.  
AND GOD BLESS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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