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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: NRSC INNER CIRCLE GALA RECEPTION
WASHINGTON, D.C.
MAY 3, 1990
7:30 P.M.

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Thank you, Don [Senator Nickles]. [Introductory
acknowledgements.] It's a thrill to see so many of the great
sports stars here tonight -- heroes all of America admires. //
Baseball great **Bob Feller** -- Rapid Robert -- who 50 years ago
this spring threw the first and only Opening Day no hitter. //
Tony Trabert -- King of Wimbledon's Center Court. // Then there
are our home-town Redskins -- past and present -- and even a few
Cowboys, brave enough to venture up here into the heart of
Redskin Country. // Welcome, one and all. And let me say how
pleased I am to have all of you on our **Republican team**. //

presenting
baseball
before
speech

I'm pleased to see [Cabinet Members]. And of course, let me
recognize the many members of the **Senate Republican team** -- the
seasoned veterans -- here tonight: Chairman Don Nickles, [our
Majority Leader Bob Dole,] and all the rest. And our candidates -
- the many aspiring Washington Senators -- a solid line-up, top
to bottom. //

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I know I speak for all of them when I thank you -- the
members of the **National Republican Senatorial Committee Inner
Circle** -- for your strong support. // **Politics is a team sport**

-- and your key contributions are going to help make 1990 a winning Senate season. //

It's early May. The political season is heating up -- we're 7 months away from that first Tuesday in November. // Spring training is over -- we've touched all the bases back home -- and now everyone in this room is ready for the campaign season to go full swing. [[I'm ready. I've been building up my strength -- by benchpressing a copy of the Federal Budget.]] //

You know, a great American mystic -- // Yogi Berra -- once said: "Good hitting beats good pitching. And vice versa." // Well, in the game of politics, you can't win if you can't connect -- and our opponents can't connect with the American voter. Because more and more voters have figured out that when the Democrats go into their wind-up -- you'd better be ready for a curve. //

The American people want something different. They want straight-talk -- and a straight-forward agenda for America -- strong, steady, and ready to face the challenges of a new century. They want the Republican agenda -- government in tune with the American people. //

And that's the agenda we're working to put into action. // You know I'm committed -- heart and soul -- to the fight against crime and drugs. To Clean Air and a new environmental ethic. To a strong economy -- one that provides growth, good jobs, and opportunity for all Americans. And, of course, to the first duty of every President and Commander in Chief: to preserve America's place -- America's peace and freedom -- in a changing world.

But you all know I can't push through my policies all by myself. I need help on the Hill -- the kind of help I get from all 45 of our fine Republican Senators.

Now, the only thing better than having 45 Senators on your side // is 50 plus 1. // 5 more Senate seats -- that's all that stands between us and a Republican majority. All that prevents the Republican Party from **taking back the Senate.** //

I hope you're optimistic -- because I am. We occupy the high ground. // We share the values of mainstream America -- now it's time we became the majority party in America. **And we can start this fall, by shutting out the Democrats -- and taking back the Senate.** //

But we won't get it handed to us. It's going to take a real 110% effort for the Republican Party. All the support we've come to rely on from those of you in this room. // With your help, **we're going to make 1990 a winning season -- and we'll make the 1990s a Republican Decade.** //

It's been my pleasure to join you tonight. Once again, my thanks -- and God bless you all. //

And now, it's my pleasure to officially open this new political season, by throwing out the first ball. [[Senator Nickles, get ready for some smoke.]]

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WE LOST OUR REPUBLICAN SENATE MAJORITY IN 1986 WHEN FIVE INCUMBENT SENATORS IN KEY STATES WERE DEFEATED BY RAZOR-THIN MARGINS. IN 1988, UNDER SENATOR RUDY BOSCHWITZ' GUIDANCE, THE INNER CIRCLE HELPED PUT GEORGE BUSH IN THE WHITE HOUSE AND CAPTURE THREE DEMOCRAT-HELD SENATE SEATS.

TODAY, EVERY REPUBLICAN SENATOR OWES A SINCERE DEBT OF GRATITUDE TO THE INNER CIRCLE. THE ONGOING HELP AND ASSISTANCE IT HAS PROVIDED HAS PLAYED A KEY ROLE IN DOZENS OF SUCCESSFUL SENATE CAMPAIGNS.

WITH TEAM '90, WE ARE CHARTING A WINNING STRATEGY TO CAPTURE THE FIVE KEY SENATE CONTESTS ESSENTIAL TO GIVING GEORGE BUSH THE REPUBLICAN SENATE MAJORITY HE NEEDS TO LEAD OUR NATION IN THE CHALLENGING YEARS AHEAD.

LET'S CONTINUE TO MAKE HISTORY TOGETHER!

SENATOR NICKLES introduces Senators and Senate Candidates present and gives comments on their races. (Spot light directed to tables where Senators and Candidates are seated.)

SENATORS PRESENT:

SENATOR AND MRS. RUDY BOSCHWITZ ✓
 SENATOR AND MRS. CONRAD BURNS ✓
 SENATOR AND MRS. SLADE GORTON
 SENATOR AND MRS. PHIL GRAMM ✓
 SENATOR GORDON HUMPHREY
~~SENATOR JIM JEFFORDS~~
 SENATOR AND MRS. BOB KASTEN
 SENATOR AND MRS. TED STEVENS (Reception Only)
 SENATOR AND MRS. STROM THURMOND ✓
 SENATOR JOHN WARNER ✓
 SENATOR LOTT

CANDIDATES PRESENT:

STATE SENATOR AND MRS. BILL CABANISS FROM ALABAMA ✓
 DAN DALY FROM MASSACHUSETTS *untested*
 CONGRESSWOMAN CLAUDINE SCHNEIDER FROM RHODE ISLAND -

(Reception Only)

~~CONGRESSMAN BILL SCHUETTE FROM MICHIGAN~~ *(untested)*
 CONGRESSMAN AND MRS. TOM TAUKE FROM IOWA ✓

John Yoder (W.V.)

CABINET MEMBERS & OTHER VIPs PRESENT:

THE HONORABLE AND MRS. LAURO CAVAZOS (EDUCATION)
 THE HONORABLE AND MRS. WILLIAM SEIDMAN (FDIC CHAIRMAN)

9:05 p.m. SENATOR NICKLES introduces Senator Bob Dole for after dinner remarks

D.N. TEXT:

NO GATHERING OF ALL THE STARS AND MEMBERS OF TEAM '90 WOULD BE COMPLETE WITHOUT A PEP TALK FROM THE MAN WHO HAS LED OUR TEAM DAY TO DAY AGAINST OUR DEMOCRAT OPPONENTS ON THE FLOOR OF THE SENATE. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, PLEASE WELCOME OUR REPUBLICAN LEADER IN THE SENATE, SENATOR BOB DOLE.

(Senator Dole gives remarks.)

9:15 p.m. SENATOR NICKLES thanks Senator Dole.

Lyle Waggoner introduces the Alexandria Harmonizers

9:35 p.m. Alexandria Harmonizers conclude performance

SENATOR NICKLES thanks Harmonizers, Lyle Waggoner and Inner Circle members

Lyle Waggoner invites everyone to stay in Ballroom for after dinner dancing

11:30 p.m. After dinner reception concludes

National Republican Senatorial Committee

SENATOR DON NICKLES
CHAIRMAN

DOYCE ROFSCH
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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TIMELINE & TALKING POINTS

REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL INNER CIRCLE
1990 SPRING BRIEFING
"SALUTE TO A WINNING SEASON" DINNER
6:30 p.m.
MAY 3, 1990
SHERATON WASHINGTON HOTEL

- 6:30 p.m. General Reception begins in Sheraton Foyer
Life Member VIP Reception begins in the Virginia Suite
VIP and Celebrity guests begin to arrive and are escorted to VIP Reception in the Virginia Suite
- 7:00 p.m. Sheraton Ballroom Doors open for dinner seating
- 7:15 p.m. SENATOR & MRS. NICKLES proceed to Presidential arrival point escorted by Mary Heitman.
- 7:20 p.m. PRESIDENT AND MRS. BUSH arrive and are escorted by SENATOR AND MRS. NICKLES to the Delaware Suite for the Life Member Photo Opportunity
- 7:35 p.m. All dinner guests are seated
- 7:40 p.m. SENATOR & MRS. NICKLES hold with PRESIDENT AND MRS. BUSH in Delaware Room.
Lyle Waggoner is introduced on stage.
Lyle Waggoner welcomes guests and introduces headtable guests: Sports Celebrities, Sharon Waggoner, Dr. & Mrs. John Harper
- 7:45 p.m. Lyle Waggoner introduces Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets Color Guard
- 7:47 p.m. Lyle Waggoner introduces the Bo Thorpe Orchestra and XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX to sing the National Anthem
- 7:50 p.m. PRESIDENT AND MRS. BUSH and SENATOR AND MRS. DON NICKLES are introduced on stage in the Sheraton Ballroom
(Band plays Ruffles & Flourishes.)

7:52 p.m. Lyle Waggoner introduces SENATOR NICKLES

L.W. TEXT:

NO PRE-GAME MEETING OF A TEAM CAN BE COMPLETE WITHOUT A FEW WORDS FROM THE TEAM CAPTAIN. THIS IS ESPECIALLY TRUE IN THE CASE OF TEAM '90. OUR CAPTAIN IS A YOUNG ALL-STAR WINNER FROM OKLAHOMA -- IN FACT THE YOUNGEST MEMBER OF THE ENTIRE U.S. SENATE. IN 1988, HIS TEAMMATES IN THE SENATE NAMED HIM THEIR CAPTAIN FOR CAMPAIGN 1990, WHEN THEY ELECTED HIM CHAIRMAN OF THE INNER CIRCLE. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT IS MY GREAT PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE TO YOU THE CAPTAIN OF TEAM '90 -- SENATOR DON NICKLES!

7:53 p.m. SENATOR NICKLES gives brief welcome and introduces Baseball Hall of Famer Bob Feller

D.N. TEXT:

THANK YOU LYLE. IT'S GREAT TO SEE SUCH A GREAT TURNOUT AT THE INNER CIRCLE'S KICK-OFF CELEBRATION FOR TEAM '90. I WANT TO THANK ALL OF THE INNER CIRCLE MEMBERS FOR BEING HERE AND FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF OUR TEAM EFFORT TO RESTORE REPUBLICAN CONTROL OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE.

ONE OF OUR VERY SPECIAL SPORTS CELEBRITIES HERE TONIGHT IS A MAN WHOSE BLAZING FAST BALL HAS BEEN THE STANDARD AGAINST WHICH ALL OF HIS SUCCESSORS HAVE BEEN JUDGED. AT AGE 20, BOB FELLER BECAME A 24-GAME WINNER FOR THE CLEVELAND INDIANS. FOUR YEARS IN THE NAVY PREVENTED HIM FROM WINNING 300. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, A MAN WITH TERRIFIC SPEED AND A TREMENDOUS CURVE BALL -- I PRESENT TO YOU BOB FELLER -- FROM 1962'S BASEBALL HALL OF FAME.

Bob Feller presents signed baseball by sports celebrities to the President.

B.F. TEXT:

MR. PRESIDENT, ON BEHALF OF THE SPORTS CELEBRITIES HERE TONIGHT, WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT YOU WITH A BASEBALL SIGNED BY ALL OF US THIS EVENING.

7:55 p.m. SENATOR NICKLES presents baseball glove to President Bush.

D.N. TEXT:

MR. PRESIDENT, ON BEHALF OF THE REPUBLICAN MEMBERS OF THE U.S. SENATE, PLEASE ACCEPT THIS CUSTOM-MADE BASEBALL GLOVE PERSONALLY SIGNED BY MY REPUBLICAN COLLEAGUES IN THE SENATE. I HOPE YOU'LL ACCEPT THIS FROM YOUR TEAMMATES IN THE SENATE KNOWING THAT WE STAND BEHIND YOU AS YOU HELP US PITCH A WINNING GAME THIS NOVEMBER.

WE ALL OWE A PARTICULAR DEBT TO YOU MR

**PRESIDENT. THROUGH YOUR PERSONAL EFFORTS, YOU
HAVE RECRUITED MANY OF THE STAR PLAYERS OF
TEAM '90. YOU'LL BE OUR PINCH HITTER, TRAVELLING
FROM STATE TO STATE ON BEHALF OF MANY OF OUR
SENATE CANDIDATES.**

**MEMBERS OF THE INNER CIRCLE AND SPECIAL GUESTS,
PLEASE JOIN ME IN GIVING PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH A
WARM WELCOME.**

- 8:00 p.m. PRESIDENT BUSH gives remarks
- 8:09 p.m. SENATOR NICKLES thanks President and Mrs. Bush.
(Band plays "Take me out to the Ball Game.")
- 8:10 p.m. PRESIDENT AND MRS. BUSH depart stage
- 8:12 p.m. Lyle Waggoner introduces Dr. John Harper to give the Invocation
- 8:13 p.m. Dr. John Harper gives the Invocation.
- 8:15 p.m. Dinner service begins
- 8:50 p.m. Lyle Waggoner acknowledges band, gives brief remarks then
re-introduces SENATOR NICKLES
(Lyle Waggoner gives brief remarks)
- IT IS MY HONOR AGAIN TO PRESENT TO YOU SENATOR
DON NICKLES.**
- 8:57 p.m. SENATOR NICKLES gives after dinner remarks

D.N. TEXT:

**AS WE SETTLE IN TO ENJOY ALL THE FESTIVITIES
SURROUNDING OUR TEAM '90, IT'S IMPORTANT TO
REMEMBER THAT WE ARE CONTINUING A TEN YEAR
TRADITION OF WORKING TOGETHER TOWARD OUR
SHARED GOAL -- A REPUBLICAN SENATE MAJORITY.**

**IT'S A VERY ATTAINABLE GOAL. WE'VE PROVED THAT IN
1980, 1982 AND 1984, AND WE'RE GOING TO PROVE IT
AGAIN IN 1990!**

**IN FACT, THIS YEAR WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO ONE
OF OUR GREATEST WINS SINCE THE INNER CIRCLE WAS
FOUNDED IN 1979. THAT YEAR, SENATOR JOHN HEINZ
RECRUITED A GROUP OF CONCERNED AMERICANS TO
FUND A SPECIAL CAMPAIGN TO PUT REPUBLICANS IN
CONTROL OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE FOR THE
FIRST TIME IN 26 YEARS.**

**AIDED BY VOTERS DISILLUSIONED WITH JIMMY CARTER
AND HIS FELLOW CONGRESSIONAL DEMOCRATS, THE
INNER CIRCLE HELPED CAPTURE 12 DEMOCRAT SENATE
SEATS IN 1980. THAT VICTORY NOT ONLY PROVIDED A
SAFE GOP MAJORITY, BUT IT SWEEPED OUT OF OFFICE
SOME OF THE MOST LIBERAL SENATE DEMOCRATS.**

**UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF SENATOR BOB PACKWOOD
IN 1982, THE INNER CIRCLE GATHERED A NEW
STRENGTH AND HELPED ELECT AN ADDITIONAL
REPUBLICAN SENATOR. THEN IN 1984, SENATOR DICK
LUGAR OVERSAW A PERFECT GOP WIN. THE INNER
CIRCLE HELPED RONALD REAGAN WIN A LANDSLIDE
RE-ELECTION WHILE ALSO HOLDING ONTO THE
REPUBLICAN MAJORITY THAT WAS SUCH AN**

National Republican Senatorial Committee

SENATOR DON NICKLES
CHAIRMAN

BOYCE BOESCH
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

MEMORANDUM

TO: PEGGY DOOLEY
WHITE HOUSE SPEECHWRITING OFFICE

FROM: KAREN KESSENICH

RE: INNER CIRCLE "SALUTE TO A WINNING SEASON" DINNER
MAY 3, 1990, SHERATON WASHINGTON HOTEL

DATE: APRIL 25, 1990

Peggy,

Attached is a tentative timeline for the Inner Circle's dinner with President and Mrs. Bush on Thursday, May 3, 1990.

We are expecting between 1,500 - 1,600 \$1,000 donors. The VIPs we have invited include all Republican Senators, Senate challenger candidates, Cabinet Secretaries and Senior White House staff. I will be able to forward a list of confirmed VIP attendees to date by the end of the week.

Please give me a call if you have any additional questions regarding the timeline and our program.

Thanks Peggy.

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REPUBLICAN SENATORIAL INNER CIRCLE
 "SALUTE TO A WINNING SEASON" DINNER DANCE
 MAY 3, 1990
 SHERATON WASHINGTON HOTEL
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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 6:30 p.m. General Reception begins at Sheraton in Sheraton Foyer
 Life Member VIP Reception begins in the Virginia Suite
 VIP guests begin to arrive and are escorted to VIP Reception in the Virginia Suite
- 6:50 p.m. Life Members and Celebrities are escorted to the Delaware Suite for Photo Opportunity Reception with President and Mrs. Bush
- 7:20 p.m. Doors open for the Sheraton Ballroom and guests are escorted to their tables
 President and Mrs. Bush arrive and are escorted to the Delaware Suite for the Life Member Photo Opportunity
- 7:20 - 7:40 p.m. Sports Celebrities and Life Members have photos taken with President and Mrs. Bush
 Life Members in the Photo Opportunity Reception are escorted to the Sheraton Ballroom for dinner seating
 Sports Celebrities hold in the Virginia Suite after photo opportunity and line up for stage introduction
- 7:40 p.m. All dinner guests are seated
- 7:42 p.m. Lyle Waggoner is introduced on stage. He welcomes guests and introduces headtable guests
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| EVELYNE HALL ADAMS | 1932 - Olympic Medalist - Track |
| BOBBY BELL | Football Hall of Fame - 1983 |
| LOUIS BOUDREAU | Baseball Hall of Fame - 1970 |
| ROOSEVELT BROWN | Football Hall of Fame - 1975 |
| WILLIE BROWN | Football Hall of Fame - 1984 |

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| DAVE BUTZ | All-Pro Washington Redskin |
| BOBBY DOERR | Baseball Hall of Fame - 1986 |
| DON DRYSDALE | Baseball Hall of Fame - 1984 |
| BILL DUDLEY | Football Hall of Fame - 1966 |
| TOM FEARS | Football Hall of Fame - 1970 |
| BOB FELLER | Baseball Hall of Fame - 1962 |
| SID GILLMAN | Football Hall of Fame - 1983 |
| WILLIAM HERMAN | Baseball Hall of Fame - 1985 |
| TED HENDRICKS | Football Hall of Fame - 1990 |
| RON JAWORSKI | Philadelphia Eagle |
| JOHN HENRY JOHNSON | Football Hall of Fame - 1987 |
| "NIGHT TRAIN" LANE | Football Hall of Fame - 1974 |
| WILLIE LANIER | Football Hall of Fame - 1986 |
| BOB LEMON | Baseball Hall of Fame - 1976 |
| JUAN MARICHAL | Baseball Hall of Fame - 1983 |
| OLLIE MATSON | Football Hall of Fame - 1972 |
| GEORGE McAFEE | Football Hall of Fame - 1966 |
| TONY McGEE | Washington Redskin |
| ANN MEYERS | 1976 Olympiad Medalist - Basketball |
| JOHN MIZE | Baseball Hall of Fame - 1981 |
| CRAIG MORTON | Dallas Cowboy / Denver Bronco |
| JIM OTTO | Football Hall of Fame - 1980 |
| DREW PEARSON | All-Pro Dallas Cowboy |
| GALE SAYERS | Football Hall of Fame - 1977 |
| LEE ROY SELMON | All-Pro Tampa Bay Buccaneer |
| ENOS "COUNTRY SLAUGHTER | Baseball Hall of Fame - 1985 |
| WARREN SPAHN | Baseball Hall of Fame - 1973 |
| ERNIE STAUTNER | Football Hall of Fame - 1969 |

TONY TRABERT U.S Open '53, '55 - Wimbledon 1955

CHARLIE WATERS All-NFL Dallas Cowboy

REGGIE WILLIAMS Cincinnati Bengal

PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING:

SHARON WAGGONER

REVEREND AND MRS. JOHN HARPER

SENATOR BOB DOLE

7:45 p.m. Lyle Waggoner introduces Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets Color Guard (Color Guard enters room from stage left and proceeds down stairs to ballroom floor and arrives at stage right.)

7:47 p.m. Lyle Waggoner introduces ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ to sing the National Anthem

7:50 p.m. President and Mrs. Bush and Senator and Mrs. Don Nickles are introduced on stage in the Sheraton Ballroom

7:52 p.m. Lyle Waggoner introduces Senator Nickles

7:53 p.m. Senator Nickles gives brief welcome and introduces President Bush

7:55 p.m. President Bush gives remarks

8:03 p.m. Senator Nickles ~~thanks President Bush~~

8:04 p.m. Senator Nickles presents gift to President Bush. President Bush ~~throws ceremonial first pitch to Senator Nickles~~

Lyle Waggoner asks audience to join the band in singing "Take me out to the Ball Game" and members sing along with "GOP" lyrics. "GOP" lyrics are printed in dinner program.

8:10 p.m. President and Mrs. Bush depart stage

8:15 p.m. Lyle Waggoner introduces Reverend Harper to give the Invocation

Dinner service begins

8:55 p.m. Lyle Waggoner gives brief remarks then re-introduces Senator Nickles

9:00 p.m. Senator Nickles gives after dinner remarks

9:04 p.m. Senator Nickles introduces Senator Bob Dole for remarks

9:15 p.m. LYLE WAGGONER introduces the Alexandria Harmonizers

9:30 p.m. Alexandria Harmonizers conclude performance

Senator Nickles thanks Inner Circle members and Lyle Waggoner

Lyle Waggoner invites everyone to stay in Ballroom for after dinner dancing

9:30 - 11:30 p.m. Transportation begins for departure to the Ramada and Grand Hyatt hotels

11:30 p.m. After dinner reception concludes

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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