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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: CHEVY CHASE HIGH SCHOOL  
CHEVY CHASE, MARYLAND  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1992  
6:00 PM

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Thank you, Connie Morella, for that kind introduction. I salute Rep. Helen Bentley, who's here tonight, and Rep. Wayne Gilchrest, who was unable to join us but who's doing a great job for us in Congress. Greetings to your state Republican chairman, Joyce Terhes [TARE-ez], and to Republican National Committeeman Dick Taylor.

My thanks to the Maryland Bush-Quayle leadership who are here, and to Howie Dennis for performing master of ceremonies duties tonight. I'm also happy to see three men who served us well in Congress -- Charles McC. Mathias, Larry Hogan, and Gilbert Gude [GOO-dee].

✓ Lynne  
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Affairs

And I notice several fine Republicans here seeking your votes for delegate to the national convention. I'm pleased to have their support, and I'm sure they'll have yours come March Third.

✓ Lynne

I'm delighted to be here in Montgomery County, and especially on the home court of the victorious Battlin' Barons.

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And each time, America met the challenge.

And this time, America will do it again.

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A month ago, I sent Congress an action plan to jumpstart the economy. We start by encouraging investment, to create jobs. We cut taxes that punish success, discourage saving and stunt the growth of business. We boost real-estate values, by making it easier for young families to buy their first home.

The bottom line is this: My plan will work, because it puts Americans to work. According to housing experts, my incentives

David Crowe NHTB  
this year  
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for the housing industry alone will create 415,000 jobs ~~in just~~  
~~six months~~

That's what my plan will do. But just as important is what it doesn't do. It doesn't increase the deficit. It doesn't cloud the real issues with feel-good gimmicks. And it doesn't raise tax rates on the American people.

Maybe that's why the opposition in Congress are digging in against my plan. When I presented my plan, I gave Congress a deadline to pass it: March 20 -- 25 days from now. But instead of putting my plan to a quick clean vote, the Democrats in Congress went behind locked doors with the special interests and patched together a deal of their own. It's a bad deal for the American people.

True to form for the Democrats in Congress, their scheme will raise tax rates on the American people -- permanently. In fact, Senate Democrats want to jack up the rates on people making \$35,000 a year. That's right: \$35,000 a year. I've said it before: When they say they're aiming for the big guy, they end up hitting everybody else.

In return for this massive tax increase, the Democrats offer a temporary tax cut, amounting to about a quarter a day.

((Twenty five cents -- even the tooth fairy can do better than that.)) Then, after two years, the 25-cent tax cut vanishes. But the tax increase stays forever.

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Well, you don't have to be an economist to figure it out: the last thing the American people need right now is a tax increase.

And to pay for their plan, the Democrats want to borrow \$26 billion from our children -- pass on an IOU in the form of an enormous increase in the deficit. Raising taxes and deepening the deficit -- that's their idea of speeding up the economy.

If the Democrats really want to send me this kind of nonsense -- I will veto it. The American people have had enough of the old game of tax and spend.

To the Democrats on Capitol Hill, I'll say it again and again and again: Meet my deadline. Pass my plan and get this economy moving. Do something good for the American people.

That's an example of what this election is going to be about -- a clash between two views of America. The differences couldn't be clearer. Our view -- the Republican view -- is based on a fundamental principle: Government is too big and it spends too much.

Believe it or not, some people still don't understand that. You'll see some of them over the next week, asking for your vote. When they do, ask them a few questions. Their answers will tell you all you need to know about how they see America's future.

Ask them: Who should choose a family's medical care -- parents or the government? I say: parents. The last thing we need is government standing between you and your doctor.

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Ask them: Who should control a child's day-care -- parents or the government? I say: parents, not some bureaucrat in Washington, D.C.

And ask them: Who should choose a child's school -- parents or the government? I say parents -- parents must have the right to choose their children's school.

We Republicans have always understood: The way to keep America first is to put America's families first.

Those are just some of the issues we face. In 1992, the <sup>presidential</sup> first election of the post-Cold War era, you'll decide what kind of medical care your family will receive -- what kind of schools your children will go to -- what kind of jobs you'll have.

It will be a tough fight. I know that. And I don't go seeking unnecessary conflict. But when principle is at stake, I fight to win. And make no mistake: we will win.

We win by setting the pace. We win by leading.

This American century has taught us many lessons. Above them all is this: When it comes to jobs and economic growth, if America is to succeed at home, it must lead abroad.

This year, America is exporting more than ever before. Over the past five years, nearly half of America's real economic growth has been in exports. That means jobs for American workers, markets for American goods.

Nobody said it was easy. Leadership demands character and experience. But right now we hear that America has no business

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leading the world -- that we should just lock the doors and pull down the blinds and hope the world goes away.

America is not that kind of country. Never before in this nation's proud history has America turned its back on a challenge. And we won't start now.

Americans don't cut and run -- we compete. You see: I believe in the American worker. Let's not build walls. Let's open markets -- let our workers go head-to-head. When they do, the world will see: Americans can out-think, out-produce and out-perform anyone in the world -- anywhere, anytime.

On March 3, I want you to send a message to the doomsayers and the pessimists. They say: our economy has fallen into an abyss.

They say: America is a weakened giant.

I say: Bunk.

I've heard these doomsayers all my life. So have you. Think back a year ago. While American men and women risked their lives half a world away, what did we hear from the professional pessimists? They spoke of defeat and humiliation, of a long and bloody war, another Vietnam, a quagmire.

Well, they were wrong then, and they're wrong now.

Here in Montgomery County and all across the country, Americans are ready to move, ready to face the challenge and meet a new American destiny. I ask you, on March Third, to cast your ballots for George Bush. The fight for our future has just begun, and it will continue -- for four more years.

Thank you for your trust and support, and God bless the  
greatest country on earth, the United States of America.

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CHEVY CHASE HIGH SCHOOL  
CHEVY CHASE, MARYLAND  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1992  
6:00 PM

THANK YOU, CONNIE MORELLA, FOR THAT KIND  
INTRODUCTION. I SALUTE REP. HELEN BENTLEY, WHO'S HERE  
TONIGHT, AND REP. WAYNE GILCHREST, WHO WAS UNABLE TO  
JOIN US BUT WHO'S DOING A GREAT JOB FOR US IN CONGRESS.  
GREETINGS TO YOUR STATE REPUBLICAN CHAIRMAN, JOYCE  
TERHES [TARE-EZ], AND TO REPUBLICAN NATIONAL  
COMMITTEEMAN DICK TAYLOR.

MY THANKS TO THE MARYLAND BUSH-QUAYLE LEADERSHIP  
WHO ARE HERE, AND TO HOWIE DENNIS FOR PERFORMING MASTER  
OF CEREMONIES DUTIES TONIGHT. I'M ALSO HAPPY TO SEE  
THREE MEN WHO SERVED US WELL IN CONGRESS -- CHARLES  
[MAC] MATHIAS, LARRY HOGAN, AND GILBERT GUDE [GOO-  
DEE].

AND I NOTICE SEVERAL FINE REPUBLICANS HERE SEEKING  
YOUR VOTES FOR DELEGATE TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION.  
I'M PLEASED TO HAVE THEIR SUPPORT, AND I'M SURE THEY'LL  
HAVE YOURS COME MARCH THIRD.

I'M DELIGHTED TO BE HERE IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY, AND ESPECIALLY ON THE HOME COURT OF THE VICTORIOUS BATTLIN' BARONS. *////*

A WEEK FROM TUESDAY, MARYLANDERS WILL MAKE A BIG DECISION. AND I KNOW WHAT THE OUTCOME WILL BE: TOGETHER, ON MARCH THIRD, WE'LL TAKE A GIANT STEP CLOSER TO A GREAT VICTORY ON NOVEMBER THIRD. *//*

THIS YEAR'S VOTE CARRIES A SPECIAL MEANING FOR MARYLAND AND AMERICA. WE'VE COME TO AN EXCITING MOMENT IN OUR COUNTRY'S HISTORY -- A CROSSROADS, A PLACE WHERE ONE ERA ENDS AND ANOTHER BEGINS.

FROM THE FALL OF THE BERLIN WALL TO THE LAST GASP OF IMPERIAL COMMUNISM, FROM THE FOUR DECADES OF THE COLD WAR TO THE FORTY DAYS OF DESERT STORM, AMERICA HAS *\** LED THE WAY. *//* WE WON THE COLD WAR BECAUSE WE AMERICANS NEVER SHIRKED RESPONSIBILITY. *//* WE HAD A JOB TO DO, AND WE DID IT.

THAT'S WHY TODAY, AS THE COLD WAR ENDS, AMERICA STANDS ALONE, THE UNDISPUTED LEADER OF THE WORLD. ~~///~~★

NOW THE CHALLENGE HAS COME HOME, AS IT HAS BEFORE. TIME AFTER TIME, WE LIFTED OURSELVES UP. TIME AFTER TIME, WE ASKED MORE OF OURSELVES -- AND MORE OF EACH OTHER.

AND EACH TIME, AMERICA MET THE CHALLENGE.

AND THIS TIME, AMERICA WILL DO IT AGAIN. ~~///~~★

OUR FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS IS TO GET THIS ECONOMY MOVING. I KNOW HOW TO DO IT -- SO DO YOU. IT'S JUST COMMON SENSE.

A MONTH AGO, I SENT CONGRESS AN ACTION PLAN TO JUMPSTART THE ECONOMY. WE START BY ENCOURAGING INVESTMENT, TO CREATE JOBS. WE CUT TAXES THAT PUNISH SUCCESS, DISCOURAGE SAVING AND STUNT THE GROWTH OF BUSINESS. WE BOOST REAL-ESTATE VALUES, BY MAKING IT EASIER FOR YOUNG FAMILIES TO BUY THEIR FIRST HOME.

THE BOTTOM LINE IS THIS: MY PLAN WILL WORK, BECAUSE IT PUTS AMERICANS TO WORK. ACCORDING TO HOUSING EXPERTS, MY INCENTIVES FOR THE HOUSING INDUSTRY ALONE WILL CREATE 415,000 JOBS THIS YEAR.

THAT'S WHAT MY PLAN WILL DO. BUT JUST AS IMPORTANT IS WHAT IT DOESN'T DO. IT DOESN'T INCREASE THE DEFICIT. IT DOESN'T CLOUD THE REAL ISSUES WITH FEEL-GOOD GIMMICKS. AND IT DOESN'T RAISE TAX RATES ON THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

MAYBE THAT'S WHY THE OPPOSITION IN CONGRESS ARE DIGGING IN AGAINST MY PLAN. WHEN I PRESENTED MY PLAN, I GAVE CONGRESS A DEADLINE TO PASS IT: MARCH 20 -- 25 DAYS FROM NOW. BUT INSTEAD OF PUTTING MY PLAN TO A QUICK CLEAN VOTE, THE DEMOCRATS IN CONGRESS WENT BEHIND LOCKED DOORS WITH THE SPECIAL INTERESTS AND PATCHED TOGETHER A DEAL OF THEIR OWN. IT'S A BAD DEAL FOR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

TRUE TO FORM FOR THE DEMOCRATS IN CONGRESS, THEIR SCHEME WILL RAISE TAX RATES ON THE AMERICAN PEOPLE -- PERMANENTLY./// IN FACT, SENATE DEMOCRATS WANT TO JACK UP THE RATES ON PEOPLE MAKING \$35,000 A YEAR. THAT'S RIGHT: \$35,000 A YEAR. I'VE SAID IT BEFORE: WHEN THEY SAY THEY'RE AIMING FOR THE BIG GUY, THEY END UP HITTING EVERYBODY ELSE.

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IN RETURN FOR THIS MASSIVE TAX INCREASE, THE DEMOCRATS OFFER A TEMPORARY TAX CUT, AMOUNTING TO ABOUT A QUARTER A DAY. ((TWENTY FIVE CENTS -- EVEN THE TOOTH FAIRY CAN DO BETTER THAN THAT.))// THEN, AFTER TWO YEARS, THE 25-CENT TAX CUT VANISHES. BUT THE TAX INCREASE STAYS FOREVER.

WELL, YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE AN ECONOMIST TO FIGURE IT OUT: THE LAST THING THE AMERICAN PEOPLE NEED RIGHT NOW IS A TAX INCREASE.

AND TO PAY FOR THEIR PLAN, THE DEMOCRATS WANT TO BORROW \$26 BILLION FROM OUR CHILDREN -- PASS ON AN IOU IN THE FORM OF AN ENORMOUS INCREASE IN THE DEFICIT. RAISING TAXES AND DEEPENING THE DEFICIT -- THAT'S THEIR IDEA OF SPEEDING UP THE ECONOMY.

IF THE DEMOCRATS REALLY WANT TO SEND ME THIS KIND OF NONSENSE -- I WILL VETO IT.// THE AMERICAN PEOPLE HAVE HAD ENOUGH OF THE OLD GAME OF TAX AND SPEND.

TO THE DEMOCRATS ON CAPITOL HILL, I'LL SAY IT AGAIN AND AGAIN AND AGAIN: MEET MY DEADLINE. PASS MY PLAN AND GET THIS ECONOMY MOVING. DO SOMETHING GOOD FOR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

THAT'S AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT THIS ELECTION IS GOING TO BE ABOUT -- A CLASH BETWEEN TWO VIEWS OF AMERICA. THE DIFFERENCES COULDN'T BE CLEARER. OUR VIEW -- THE REPUBLICAN VIEW -- IS BASED ON A FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLE: GOVERNMENT IS TOO BIG AND IT SPENDS TOO MUCH.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT, SOME PEOPLE STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT. YOU'LL SEE SOME OF THEM OVER THE NEXT WEEK, ASKING FOR YOUR VOTE. WHEN THEY DO, ASK THEM A FEW QUESTIONS. THEIR ANSWERS WILL TELL YOU ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT HOW THEY SEE AMERICA'S FUTURE.

ASK THEM: WHO SHOULD CHOOSE A FAMILY'S MEDICAL CARE -- PARENTS OR THE GOVERNMENT? I SAY: PARENTS. THE LAST THING WE NEED IS GOVERNMENT STANDING BETWEEN YOU AND YOUR DOCTOR.

*I have a sound health plan that makes insurance available to all.*

AMERICA IS NOT THAT KIND OF COUNTRY. NEVER BEFORE  
IN THIS NATION'S PROUD HISTORY HAS AMERICA TURNED ITS  
BACK ON A CHALLENGE. AND WE WON'T START NOW.

AMERICANS DON'T CUT AND RUN -- WE COMPETE. YOU  
SEE: I BELIEVE IN THE AMERICAN WORKER. LET'S NOT BUILD  
WALLS. LET'S OPEN MARKETS -- LET OUR WORKERS GO HEAD-  
TO-HEAD. WHEN THEY DO, THE WORLD WILL SEE: AMERICANS  
CAN OUT-THINK, OUT-PRODUCE AND OUT-PERFORM ANYONE IN  
THE WORLD -- ANYWHERE, ANYTIME.

ON MARCH 3, I WANT YOU TO SEND A MESSAGE TO THE  
DOOMSAYERS AND THE PESSIMISTS. THEY SAY: OUR ECONOMY  
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THEY SAY: AMERICA IS A WEAKENED GIANT.

I SAY: BUNK. "We are the United States  
of America and we can do anything."

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-- PARENTS OR THE GOVERNMENT? I SAY: PARENTS, NOT SOME  
BUREAUCRAT IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

AND ASK THEM: WHO SHOULD CHOOSE A CHILD'S SCHOOL  
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THOSE ARE JUST SOME OF THE ISSUES WE FACE. IN  
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WILL RECEIVE -- WHAT KIND OF SCHOOLS YOUR CHILDREN WILL  
GO TO -- WHAT KIND OF JOBS YOU'LL HAVE.

IT WILL BE A TOUGH FIGHT. I KNOW THAT. AND I  
DON'T GO SEEKING UNNECESSARY CONFLICT. BUT WHEN  
PRINCIPLE IS AT STAKE, I FIGHT TO WIN. AND MAKE NO  
MISTAKE: WE WILL WIN.

WE WIN BY SETTING THE PACE. WE WIN BY LEADING.

THIS AMERICAN CENTURY HAS TAUGHT US MANY LESSONS. ABOVE THEM ALL IS THIS: WHEN IT COMES TO JOBS AND ECONOMIC GROWTH, IF AMERICA IS TO SUCCEED AT HOME, IT MUST LEAD ABROAD.

THIS YEAR, AMERICA IS EXPORTING MORE THAN EVER BEFORE. OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS, NEARLY HALF OF AMERICA'S REAL ECONOMIC GROWTH HAS BEEN IN EXPORTS. THAT MEANS JOBS FOR AMERICAN WORKERS, MARKETS FOR AMERICAN GOODS.

NOBODY SAID IT WAS EASY. LEADERSHIP DEMANDS CHARACTER AND EXPERIENCE. BUT RIGHT NOW WE HEAR THAT AMERICA HAS NO BUSINESS LEADING THE WORLD -- THAT WE SHOULD JUST LOCK THE DOORS AND PULL DOWN THE BLINDS AND HOPE THE WORLD GOES AWAY.

I'VE HEARD THESE DOOMSAYERS ALL MY LIFE. SO HAVE YOU. THINK BACK A YEAR AGO. WHILE AMERICAN MEN AND WOMEN RISKED THEIR LIVES HALF A WORLD AWAY, WHAT DID WE HEAR FROM THE PROFESSIONAL PESSIMISTS? THEY SPOKE OF DEFEAT AND HUMILIATION, OF A LONG AND BLOODY WAR, ANOTHER VIETNAM, A QUAGMIRE. *Good delivery*

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HERE IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY AND ALL ACROSS THE COUNTRY, AMERICANS ARE READY TO MOVE, READY TO FACE THE CHALLENGE AND MEET A NEW AMERICAN DESTINY. I ASK YOU, ON MARCH THIRD, TO CAST YOUR BALLOTS FOR GEORGE BUSH. THE FIGHT FOR OUR FUTURE HAS JUST BEGUN, AND IT WILL CONTINUE -- FOR FOUR MORE YEARS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TRUST AND SUPPORT, AND GOD BLESS THE GREATEST COUNTRY ON EARTH, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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What their plan will do is bad enough. But first let's look at what it won't do. It won't boost savings. It won't help the construction industry. It will do nothing for real-estate values. It won't help homebuyers. And it won't create a single job.

As for what it will do -- well, I don't think you'll be terribly surprised. It will raise tax rates on the American people -- permanently. In return for this massive tax increase, the Democrats offer a temporary tax cut, amounting to about a quarter a day. Then, after two years, the 25-cent tax cut vanishes. But the tax increase stays forever. And to pay for their plan, the Democrats want to pass on an IOU to your children, in the form of a massive increase in the deficit.

Raising taxes and deepening the deficit -- that's their idea of speeding up the economy. I'd hate to see what they'd do to slow it down.

The American people have had enough of the old game of tax and spend. The Democrats in Congress say they're going to pass their tax increase and send it on to me. I've got a message for them: Don't even think about it.

Try this instead: Meet my deadline. Pass my plan and get this economy moving again.

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Ask them: Who should control a child's day-care -- parents of the government? I say: parents.

And ask them: Who should choose a child's school -- parents or the government? I say parents -- because as long as I'm president, families come first.

For three years, I've fought for a revolution in American education -- and the fight's not over.

I'll fight the status quo that wants to sink more money into schools that don't work. I'll fight for competition in American education, so that parents can choose their children's schools.

For three years, I've fought for choice in child care -- and the fight's not over.

I'll fight any plan that warehouses our kids in some brave new world child-care bureaucracy. I'll fight for the values that only parents can give their children.

Right now, I'm fighting for health care for all Americans - and this fight has just begun.

I'll fight any scheme that puts government between you and your doctor. National health care would be a national disaster. I will not let them administer last rites to the best-quality health care in the world.

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# BUSH 92 QUAYLE

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MANIFEST FOR THE VISIT OF PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH, FEBRUARY 25, 1992  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

GREETERS:

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STATE DELEGATE JOHN MORGAN, 13B

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- ✓ STATE SEN. HOWARD DENIS, EMCEE, BQ-'92 DES. DELEGATE 08
- ✓ BETTY ANN KRAHNKE, MONT. CO. COUNCIL, BQ-'92 DES. DELEGATE 08
- ✓ BARBARA TAYLOR, BQ-'92 DES. DELEGATE, CO CHAIR MONT CO BQ-92
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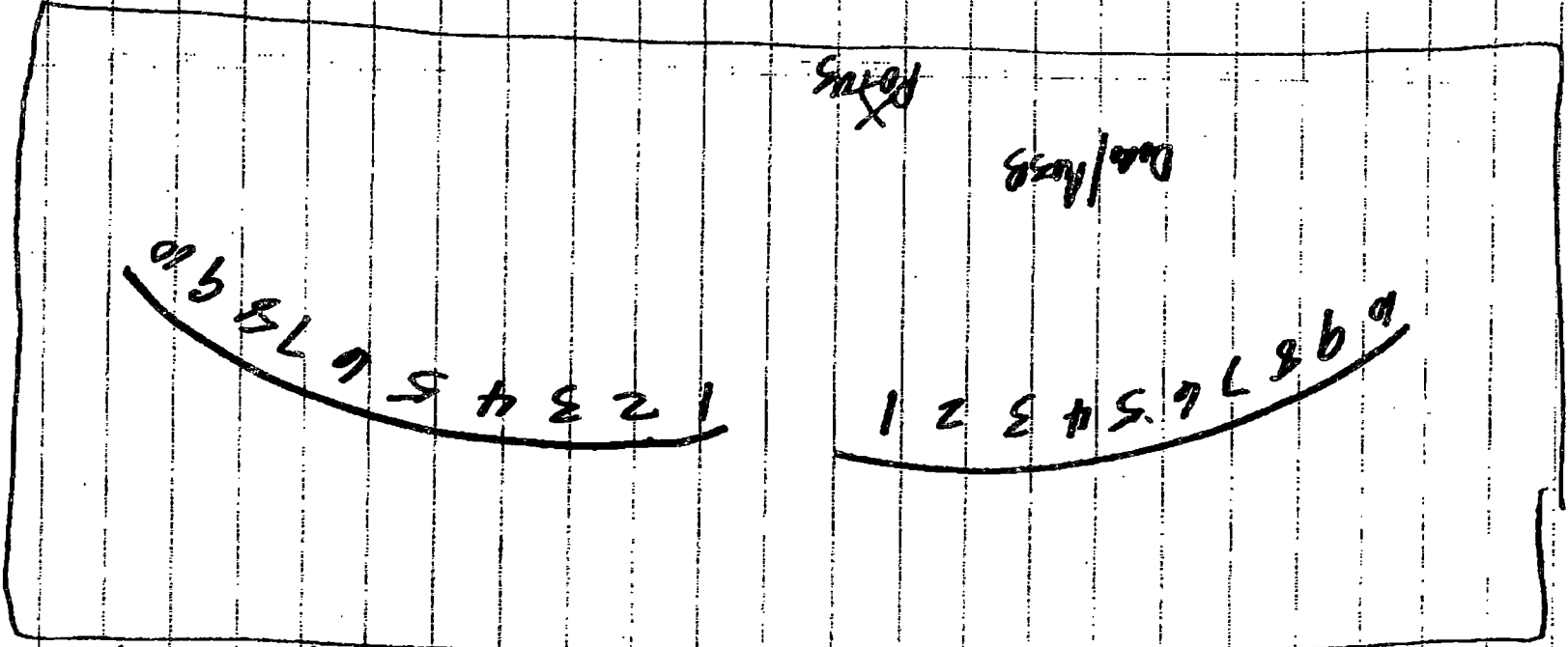
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Montgomery County Schools

Home of <sup>the</sup> Battlin' Barons

Monday February 24

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Blue & gold

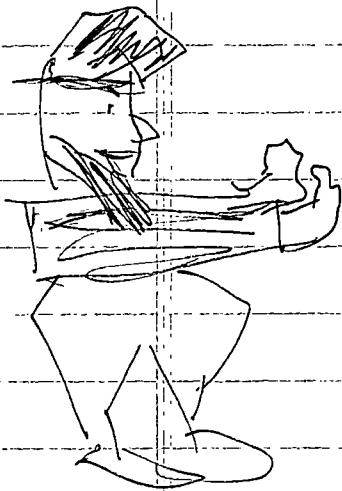
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Welcome to BCC  
Home of Champions  
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Lynne Lawson

B Ball game Fri Night

Expected audience 13-14,000 people bleachers & floor seats

Mrs. Ehlman 657-4948 Chevy Chs. HS  
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Banner BCC<sup>MS</sup> welcomes --- Girls Field Hockey  
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HS Band

Washington Redskins player may come in  
[15] minutes speech 10-15 minutes - prompt <sup>yes unless</sup> otherwise

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DOTUS on stage  
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Pilot WWII shot over Germany  
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Great athlete

Band - 40 members  
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Here's a letter I received today from the gentleman I spoke with at the Chevy Chase Event. - MN

Richard Trumbull  
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26 February 1992

Dear Michelle

It was nice having a chance to chat with you following the President's appearance in BCC. Because you were relying upon note-taking in the rain and your memory, I thought that my repeating some of the things I said would help.

I am sure that I am not alone in hearing the continued comments re a lack of program and/or lack of leadership being shown. The American people can make their decisions and will if they are properly informed. This will not come from the media and others are happy to take advantage of their ignorance by providing misinformation.

Rather than commenting on Congressional inactivity if not deliberate side-tracking of Presidential initiatives, adopt an attack that informs on what has been side-tracked. Thus, "If my transportation bill had been passed when requested, today we would have x more people employed in the building and maintaining of highways and bridges." "If my education bill had been passed, today we would not be eliminating vital programs, crowding class-rooms and inducing experienced teachers to take early retirement. These are not temporary adjustments, they will take years to recover from this neglect." "If my economic stimulus bill had been passed, there would be a new surge in small business and that American tradition of enterprise." "If - young couples would be buying their first homes, older people would be more secure in theirs." "If - the uncertainty about health care, its delivery and its costs would have been eased." A deliberate enumeration of these things that have been denied the American people by the action and inaction of Congress would provide the necessary base for an understanding of the leadership which the President is trying to provide, the nature and extent of his caring for the various classes of people and his real appreciation of the problems confronting them. With all of this evidence of how the Executive Branch is doing its job, there is no reason whatsoever to tolerate the cheap shots re inactivity, insensitivity, lack of program, et cetera.

The media will continue to play their role in taking rolls without ascertaining whether the people understand the issue or facts because the answers they desire are more assured under the present method of polling. However, one cannot underestimate the power of dripping water as they erode confidence in leadership. Dan Quayle took a step toward presenting the facts last week re Clinton. Past campaigns have had "truth squads".

While I don't expect the public to understand the intricate nature of foreign policy and how efforts there impact upon their world, we can do more to tell them what is being done now and for them. Those are the questions/ What are you doing for me? What have you done recently? We forget too soon what \$2/gal gas might have done to all of us and the economy and now is no time to try that lecture. However, the things that have been proposed to improve their lot and denied by Congress can be made clearer.

Member of Bar Club  
Retired Research Director  
Navy Captain  
FORMER UNIV. Prof.

Lots of luck  
R. Trumbull

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February 21, 1992  
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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: CHEVY CHASE HIGH SCHOOL  
CHEVY CHASE, MARYLAND  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1992  
6:00 PM

[Acknowledgments, humor, local references.]

I'm delighted to be here in Montgomery County, on the American side of the Beltway. A week from Tuesday, Marylanders will make a big decision. And I know what the outcome will be: Together, on March Third, we'll take a giant step closer to a great victory on November Third.

This year's vote carries a special meaning for Maryland and America. We've come to an exciting moment in our country's history -- a crossroads, a place where one era ends and another begins.

From the fall of the Berlin Wall to the last gasp of Imperial Communism, from the four decades of the Cold War to the forty days of Desert Storm, America has led the way. We won the Cold War because we Americans never shirked responsibility. We had a job to do, and we did it.

That's why today, as the Cold War ends, America stands alone, the undisputed leader of the world.

Now the challenge has come home, as it has before. Time after time, we lifted ourselves up. Time after time, we asked more of ourselves -- and more of each other.

And each time, America met the challenge.

And this time, America will do it again.

Our first order of business is to get this economy moving. I know how to do it -- so do you. It's just common sense.

A month ago, I sent Congress an action plan to jumpstart the economy. We start by encouraging investment, to create jobs. We cut taxes that punish success, discourage saving and stunt the growth of business. We boost real-estate values, and make it easier for young families to buy their first home.

The bottom line is this: My plan will work, because it puts Americans to work. My incentives for the housing industry alone will create 415,000 jobs in just six months.

That's what my plan will do. But just as important is what it doesn't do. It doesn't increase the deficit. It doesn't cloud the real issues with feel-good gimmicks. And it doesn't raise tax rates on the American people.

Maybe that's why the opposition in Congress decided to block my plan. You may know that when I presented my plan, I gave Congress a deadline to pass it: March 20 -- 25 days from now. But instead of putting my plan to a quick clean vote, the Democrats in Congress declared it dead-on-arrival. Then they went behind locked doors with the special interests and patched together a deal of their own.

What their scheme will do is bad enough. But first let's look at what it won't do. It won't boost savings. It won't help the construction industry. It does nothing for real-estate values. It won't help homebuyers. And it won't create a single job.

As for what it will do -- well, I don't think you'll be terribly surprised. It will raise tax rates on the American people -- permanently. In return for this massive tax increase, the Democrats offer a temporary tax cut, amounting to about a quarter a day. Then, after two years, the 25-cent tax cut vanishes. But the tax increase stays forever. And to pay for their plan, the Democrats want to borrow from our children -- pass on an IOU in the form of a massive increase in the deficit.

Raising taxes and deepening the deficit -- that's their idea of speeding up the economy. I'd hate to see what they'd do to slow it down.

The American people have had enough of the old game of tax and spend. The Democrats in Congress say they're going to pass their tax increase and send it on to me. Let me give them a word of advice: Don't even think about it.

Try this instead: Meet my deadline. Pass my plan and get this economy moving again.

That's an example of what this election is about -- a clash between two views of America. The differences couldn't be clearer. Our view is based on a fundamental principle: Government is too big and it spends too much.

Believe it or not, some people still don't get it. You'll see some of them over the next week, asking for your vote. When they do, ask them a few questions. Their answers will tell you all you need to know about how they see America's future.

Ask them: Who should choose a family's medical care -- parents or the government? I say: parents.

Ask them: Who should control a child's day-care -- parents of the government? I say: parents.

And ask them: Who should choose a child's school -- parents or the government? I say parents -- because as long as I'm president, families come first.

For three years, I've fought for a revolution in American education -- and the fight's not over.

I'll fight the status quo that wants to sink more money into schools that don't work. I'll fight for competition in American education, so that parents can choose their children's schools.

For three years, I've fought for choice in child care -- and the fight's not over.

I'll fight any plan that warehouses our kids in some brave new world child-care bureaucracy. I'll fight for the values that only parents can give their children.

Right now, I'm fighting for health care for all Americans - and this fight has just begun.

I'll fight any scheme that puts government between you and your doctor. National health care would be a national disaster. I will not let them administer last rites to the best-quality health care in the world.

Those are the issues we face. In 1992, the first election of the post-Cold War era, you'll decide what kind of medical care

your family will receive -- what kind of schools your children will go to -- ~~what~~ what kind of jobs you'll have.

It will be a tough fight. I know that. And I don't go seeking unnecessary conflict. But when principle is at stake, I fight to win. And make no mistake: we will win.

We win by setting the pace. We win by leading.

This American century has taught us many lessons. Above them all is this: If America is to succeed at home, it must lead abroad.

This year, America is exporting more than ever before. That means jobs for American workers, markets for American goods.

Nobody said it was easy. Leadership demands character and experience. But right now we hear that America has no business leading the world -- that we should just lock the doors and pull down the blinds and hope the world goes away.

America is not that kind of country. Never before in this nation's proud history has America turned its back on a challenge. And we won't start now.

Americans don't cut and run -- we compete. You see: I believe in the American worker. Let's not build walls. Let's open markets -- let our workers go head-to-head. When they do, the world will see: Americans can out-think, out-produce and out-perform anyone in the world -- anywhere, anytime.

On March 3, I want you to send a message to the doomsayers and the pessimists. They say our economy has fallen into an

abyss; they say that America is a weakened giant, on a predator's leash.

Bunk.

I've heard these doomsayers all my life. So have you. Think back a year ago. While American men and women risked their lives half a world away, what did we hear from the professional pessimists? They spoke of defeat and humiliation, of a long and bloody war, another Vietnam, a quagmire.

Well, they were wrong then, and they're wrong now.

Here in Montgomery County and all across the country, Americans are ready to move, ready to face the challenge and meet a new American destiny. The fight for our future has just begun, and it will continue -- for four more years.

Thank you for your trust and support, and God bless the greatest country on earth, the United States of America.

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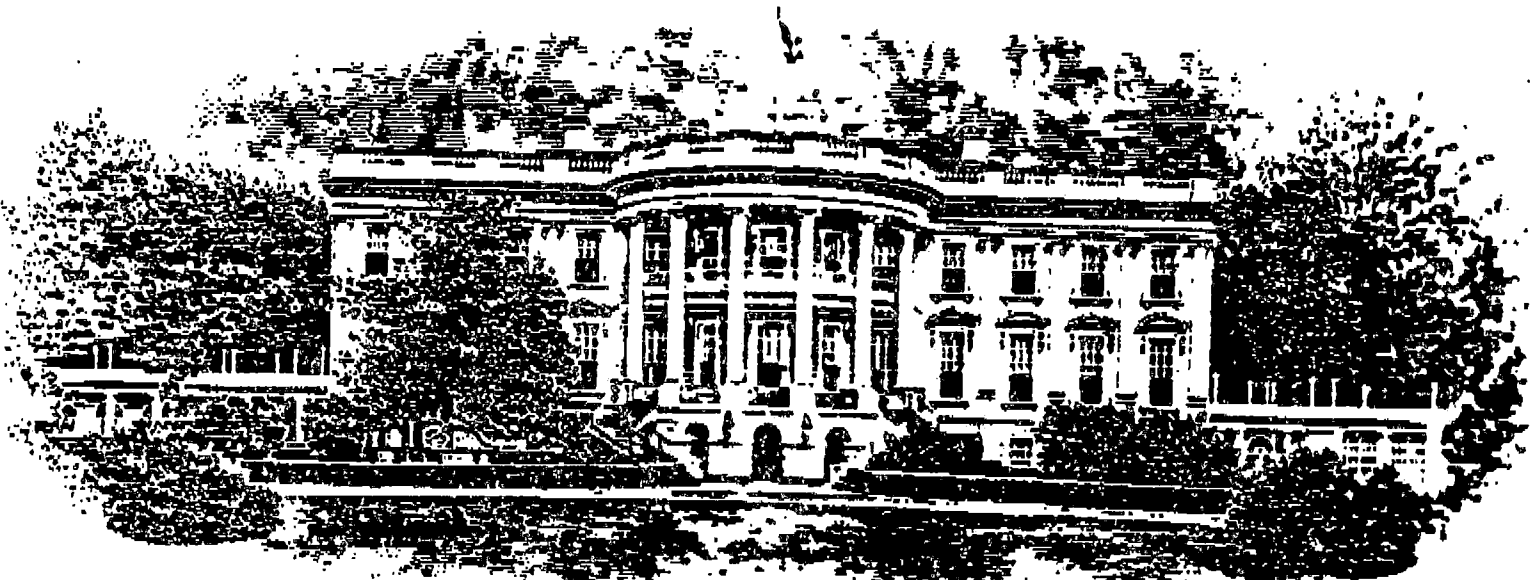
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# THE SUN

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1992

## Maryland: Is It Bush Country?

On both sides of the great Republican divide, there is a strong hunch that Maryland is George Bush country. Pat Buchanan may have grown up in Chevy Chase and spent most of his life in the Greater Washington area, but his appeal to the Maryland GOP hierarchy is nil. All three Republican members of the state's delegation in Congress, all three GOP county executives, every single Republican in the General Assembly, probably all GOP members of county councils — they are solidly in the president's camp.

Even Seth Stein, who is Mr. Buchanan's campaign manager here, concedes that "expectations are not good" in Maryland. It is not a "conservative state," he says, and has "inherent disadvantages." Nonetheless, Mr. Stein is elated there will be a complete Buchanan slate of 24 delegates on the March 3 primary ballot, something not even Jack Kemp could achieve in his 1988 conservative bid.

This alone is enough to send shivers down the spines of Bush operatives, especially after the president's dismal showing in the New Hampshire primary Tuesday. They worry that if Mr. Buchanan picks up only two or three delegates, the media will interpret this as a bit of a triumph.

We believe these concerns are well-founded.

When the president returns to Maryland Monday, he should take Mr. Buchanan on directly. His challenger is a protectionist and an isolationist whose intolerant comments over the years seem designed to divide rather than unite Americans. The days when Mr. Bush thought he could dance a presidential waltz to the Republican nomination next August are over. He needs to defeat his right-wing challenger decisively if he is not to be softened up for defeat by the Democrats in November.

To put it bluntly, if Mr. Bush cannot do well in Maryland it is doubtful he can do well anywhere. On those rare occasions when Republicans win statewide office, they are moderates in the McKeldin-Mathias-Beall tradition. Almost one-quarter of the state's 622,000 registered GOP voters reside in Montgomery County, whose Eighth Congressional District is represented by Rep. Connie Morella, possessor of one of the most liberal GOP voting records in Congress.

If Maryland is "America in Miniature," the Republican Party here is very much the Republican Party in miniature. Democrats predominate. Mr. Bush had better win his party's approval or face the consequences. As never before, Maryland will be a pivotal state in the primary sweepstakes.

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February 20, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR ANDY FERGUSON

FROM: MICHELE NIX  
SUBJECT: CHEVY CHASE HS RALLY

Here's the poopski from the walk-thru:

- On Monday, February 24, at 6:00 p.m., the President will deliver remarks (so far looks around 10 - 12 minutes) to an audience of 1300 people at the Bethesda Chevy Chase Senior High School. It's being staged as a rally -- but not being called a rally. The format is very much like the NH Pinkerton event.
- Political affairs has yet to determine who is going to be at the event or who is going to speak. So far Connie Morella is the only person we know for sure -- speaking and showing. They're trying to bring in some local Repubs to speak. Also, rumor has it, a Washington Redskin may show (details to be figured out later -- which, of course, means last minute).
- The school is THE HOME OF THE BATTLIN' BARONS. A baron is the Notre Dame equiv of the fighting leprechaun. The school was established in 1926. Their colors: blue and gold.
- BCC -- as it is known -- has had championship teams off and on. I talked to the sports director, who said they are primarily known for field hockey -- primarily girls field hockey. The basketball team is playing Friday night. (If they win, maybe we could give them a "congrats, way to go" line.)
- The high school band and gospel singing group will perform at the event. The band will provide the ruffles and flourishes.
- BCC's stadium is named after Bill Guckeyson -- a star athlete while at BCC, who went on to be a fighter pilot in WWII. He was shot down and killed in Germany.

- As I said, we received a rather lukewarm at best reception - - one school official being "fairly honored." A number of the tickets were given to the school. (We fear liberal carping Democrat protestors.) Political is trying to work this out.

I'll let you know any more details as soon as I find them out. I've included a few of our most recent speeches (you probably already have them). Tony suggested we may want to arm the Pres with a few comeback lines -- should protestors do the thing they do so well -- heckle.

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AT MARYLAND BUSH-QUAYLE CAMPAIGN KICKOFF

Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School  
Bethesda, Maryland

6:18 P.M. EST

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you, Connie Morella. What a great Congressman you have in Connie Morella. She's doing a superb job, and thank you very much. (Applause.) Let me salute our State Chairman -- two words come to mind, strong and decent -- Helen Bentley, Representative Helen Bentley, who's leading our campaign in this state. (Applause.) And another of our great delegation from Maryland who is not here, Wayne Gilchrest. He was unable to join us, but doing a great job for us in Congress. And greetings to your State Republican Chairman Joyce Terhes, and to Republican National Committeeman Dick Taylor.

My thanks to the Maryland Bush-Quayle leadership who are here, and to Howie Dennis for performing the master of ceremonies duties tonight. First-class job. (Applause.) I don't know where the Barons Band is, but they are doing a great job. (Applause.) And thank you, Barons. Right there. (Applause.) I'm very happy to see three who served us so well in Congress -- Charles "Mac" Mathias, Larry Hogan; my classmate, Gilbert Gude. And I notice several fine Republicans here seeking your votes for delegates to the national convention. Well, I'm pleased to have their support, and I'm sure they'll have yours come March 3rd. We need to elect them as delegates to our convention. (Applause.)

I'm delighted to be back with Connie here in Montgomery County, and especially on the home court of the victorious Battling Barons. (Applause.)

A week from Tuesday -- hard to believe, but that's the day -- Marylanders are going to make a big decision. And I know what the outcome will be: Together on March 3rd we're going to take a giant step closer to a great victory on November 3rd. (Applause.) This vote carries a special meaning for Maryland and America. We've come to an exciting moment in our country's history -- a crossroads, a place where one era ends and another begins.

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And now the challenge has come home, as it has before. Time after time, we lifted ourselves up, we asked more of ourselves -- more of each other. And each time, America met the challenge. And this time, America will do it again. (Applause.)

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Our first order of business is to get this economy moving. I know how to do it -- and so do you. It's just plain common sense.

A month ago, I sent the Congress an action plan to jump-start the economy. We start by encouraging investment, to create jobs. We cut taxes that punish success, discourage saving and stunt the growth of business. We boost real-estate values, by making it easier for young families to buy their first home.

The bottom line is this: My plan will work because it puts Americans to work. And I ask for your support. (Applause.) According to housing experts, my incentives for the housing industry alone will create 415,000 jobs this year.

That's what this plan will do. But just as important is what it doesn't do. It doesn't increase the deficit. It doesn't cloud the real issues with feel-good political gimmicks. And it doesn't raise tax rates on the American people. (Applause.)

Maybe that's why the opposition in Congress are digging in against the plan. When I presented this plan, I gave Congress a deadline to pass it: March 20 -- 25 days from now. But instead of putting this plan to a quick clean vote, the Democrats in Congress went behind locked doors with the special interests and patched together a deal of their own. It's a bad deal for the American people.

True to form for the Democrats in Congress, their scheme will raise tax rates on the American people -- permanently. In fact, Senate Democrats want to jack up the rates of people making \$35,000 a year. That's right, \$35,000. I've said it before, when they say they're aiming at the big guy, they end up hitting everybody else. And we can't let them do that. (Applause.)

In return for this massive tax increase, the Democrats offer a temporary tax cut, amounting to about a quarter a day. Twenty five cents a day -- even a tooth fairy can do a little better than that one. (Laughter.) Then, after two years the 25-cent tax cut vanishes. But the tax increase stays forever.

Well, you don't have to be an economist to figure it out. The last thing the American people need right now is a tax increase. And to pay for their plan, the Democrats want to borrow \$26 billion from our children -- pass on an IOU in the form of an enormous increase in the deficit. Raising taxes and deepening the deficit -- that's their idea of speeding up the economy.

If the Democrats really want to send me this kind of nonsense -- I will veto it. (Applause.) The American people have had enough of the old game of tax and spend. To the Democrats on Capitol Hill, I'll say it again and again and again: Meet this deadline. Pass this plan and get this economy moving. Do something good for the American people. (Applause.)

That's an example of what this election is going to be about -- a clash between two views of America. The differences couldn't be clearer. Our view -- the Republican view -- is based on a fundamental principle: Government is too big and it spends too much. (Applause.)

Believe it or not, some people still don't understand that. You'll see some of them over the next week, asking for your vote. When they do, ask them a few questions. Their answers will tell you all you need to know about how they see America's future.

Ask them: Who should choose a family's medical care -- parents or the government? I say the parents. (Applause.) The last

thing we need is government -- may I -- I think this young lady has a question. It's about AIDS. Let me say this, because it's a matter of real concern. Under our administration spending for AIDS, to fight AIDS is way, way up. And it's going to continue to stay up until we beat that disease. (Applause.) It is way up. And it's going to stay up until we whip that disease. And right here in this area, in the National Institute of Health, they're doing a superb job fighting to find an answer to that dreaded disease. And we're going to keep on doing it. (Applause.)

The last thing we need is the government standing between you and your doctor. I have a sound health plan that makes insurance available to all. And we need to pass it as soon as we possibly can. (Applause.)

Connie and Helen have championed child care. And ask them -- but better still, let's ask the Democrats who should control a child's day care -- parents or the government? I say the parents, not some bureaucrat down there in Washington. (Applause.)

And ask the Democrats who should choose a child's school -- the parents or the government? And I say the parents must have the right to choose their children's school. (Applause.)

We Republicans have always understood the way to keep America first is to put America's families first. And those are just some of the issues we face. In 1992, the first election of the post-Cold War era, you'll decide what kind of medical care your family receives, what kind of schools your children will go to, what kind of jobs you'll have.

And it will be a tough fight. And I know that. And I don't go seeking unnecessary conflict. But when principle is at stake, I fight to win. And make no mistake about it: We are going to win the primary and we are going to win the general election. (Applause.) And we win by setting the pace. We win by leading.

This American century has taught us many lessons. Above them all is this: When it comes to jobs and economic growth, if America is to succeed at home, it must lead abroad. This year, America is exporting more than ever before. And over the past five years, nearly half of America's real income growth has been in exports. And that means jobs for American workers, markets for American goods.

No one said it was easy. Leadership demands character and experience. But right now we hear that America has no business leading the world -- that we should just lock the doors and pull down the blinds and hope the world goes away. Well, America is not that kind of country. Never before in this nation's proud history have we turned our back on a challenge. And we are not going to start now by becoming an isolationistic country. (Applause.)

Americans don't cut and run -- we compete. You see, I believe in the American worker. And let's not build walls. Let's open markets -- let our workers go head-to-head. When they do, the world will see Americans can outthink, outproduce and outperform anyone in the world -- anywhere, anytime. (Applause.)

And so, in summary, let me just put it this way: I want you on March 3rd to send a message to those doomsayers and the pessimists. They say our economy has fallen into an abyss. They say America is a weakened giant. I say: Bunk -- we are the United States of America, and we can compete with anybody. (Applause.)

I've heard these doomsayers all my life. So have you. Think back a year ago -- one year to this very day. While American men and women risked their lives halfway around the world, what did

we hear from those professional pessimists? They spoke of defeat and humiliation. They spoke of a long and bloody war, another Vietnam, a quagmire. Well, they were wrong then, and they are wrong now.  
(Applause.)

Here in this county, here in your home county and all across the country, Americans are ready to move, ready to face the challenge and meet a new American destiny. So I ask you, on March 3rd to cast your ballots for George Bush. The fight for our future has just begun, and it will continue for four more years.  
(Applause.)

Thank you for your trust.

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Skinner  
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homeowner exemption.

Natural applause

America 2000 - Q wants art in Am 2000  
appreciation

Ruined response to question  
about waters.