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**REMARKS: TEXAS STATE LEGISLATURE
CAPITOL, AUSTIN
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**((IT'S A GOOD THING THIS ISN'T BILL CLEMENTS'
BIRTHDAY . . . FROM WHERE I'M STANDING, ANOTHER PLAID
DAY IN THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE COULD BLIND A FELLA.))**

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IN ALL SINCERITY, HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY BILL . . .
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR BILL HOBBY, IT'S GREAT TO SEE YOU
AGAIN. SPEAKER GIB LEWIS, DISTINGUISHED LEGISLATORS,
FELLOW TEXANS, THANK YOU . . . I'M DELIGHTED TO BE BACK
IN AUSTIN, WITH SO MANY FRIENDS . . .

I WILL WANT TO DISCUSS A FEW ISSUES FACING TEXAS
AND ALL OF AMERICA. [[AGRICULTURE COMMISSIONER
HIGHTOWER'S VIEWS TO THE CONTRARY,]] I AM A TEXAN.

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SO LET US SAY A FEW WORDS ABOUT WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A
TEXAN.

LIKE THE FORMER KINGDOM OF HAWAII, TEXAS IS A
NATION THAT HAD TO RECONCILE ITSELF TO BEING A STATE.
BUT, LIKE HAWAII, WE WILL NEVER RECONCILE OURSELVES TO
BEING ORDINARY. FROM THE PECOS TO THE PEDERNALES, FROM
THE RAPIDS OF THE RIO GRANDE TO THE BROAD EXPANSE OF
THE MUDDY RED RIVER, THERE IS NO PLACE ON EARTH LIKE
TEXAS . . .

NOR IS THERE ANOTHER CAPITOL IN AMERICA QUITE LIKE THIS ONE, BUILT OF A ROSE-TINGED GRANITE THAT BLUSHES IN A LOW SUN. AND, THIS BEING TEXAS, WE HAD TO BUILD A CAPITOL THAT IS EXACTLY ONE FOOT TALLER THAN THE ONE IN WASHINGTON. TEXAS CERTAINLY STANDS TALL IN THE HEART OF THIS PRESIDENT . . .

PERHAPS FOR THIS REASON, LARRY MCMURTRY IS ONE OF MY FAVORITE WRITERS.

IN LONESOME DOVE, HE DESCRIBES THE MYTHIC TEXAS, AND CONJURES THAT SENSE OF PLACE WE ALL KNOW SO WELL. I AM INSPIRED BY A MAN OF LETTERS WHO CAN CONVINCINGLY ADOPT THE VOICE OF COWBOYS AND OUTLAWS -- MEN WHOSE ONLY SCHOOLING WAS IN DODGING BULLETS, WHOSE ONLY LESSONS WERE IN HOW TO RUN OR RUSTLE CATTLE.

BUT, UNLIKE DAVY CROCKETT, I FIRST SET OUT FOR TEXAS NOT ON HORSEBACK FROM TENNESSEE, BUT FROM CONNECTICUT IN A RED STUDEBAKER IN JUNE, 1948.

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MORE THAN FORTY YEARS LATER, THAT TRIP IS STILL A VIVID MEMORY -- HIGHWAY 80, A NEON PEARL BEER SIGN APPEARING IN THE DESERT TWILIGHT LIKE AN APPARITION. STOPPING AT A CAFE, I DIDN'T KNOW IF A CHICKEN FRIED STEAK WAS A CHICKEN FRIED LIKE A STEAK, OR A STEAK THAT TASTED LIKE CHICKEN . . .

STILL, BARBARA AND I SETTLED IN TEXAS, AS DID SO MANY BEFORE US. WE RAISED FIVE CHILDREN, HELPED BUILD A BUSINESS.

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AND IN THAT SPAN OF FORTY YEARS, I WATCHED THIS STATE GROW INTO EVEN GREATER GLORY. IN MY LIFETIME I HAVE SEEN THE OIL WEALTH OF WEST TEXAS HELP FINANCE THE BUILDING OF GREAT CITIES, AND THE EXPANSION OF FIRST-CLASS LAND GRANT COLLEGES -- THE ORIGINS OF A TEXAS RENAISSANCE, IF YOU WILL. THE ENERGY BUSINESS HELPED MAKE TEXAS WHAT IT IS TODAY -- THE THIRD COAST OF THE UNITED STATES . . .

THIS TEXAS RENAISSANCE LASTED FOR YEARS, EVEN DECADES. BUT YOU ALSO KNOW ANOTHER MORE RECENT CHAPTER OF THE TEXAS STORY -- OIL CHEAPER THAN FANCY MINERAL WATER, SKYLINES OF EMPTY BUILDINGS, EXPENSIVE HOMES TO BE HAD FOR MONTHLY PAYMENTS, AND THOUSANDS OF LAID-OFF WORKERS.

Now, I'M NO COWBOY. I PITCH HORSESHOES, BUT I DON'T RIDE BRONCOS.

BUT I UNDERSTAND THAT COWBOYS HAVE A TERM FOR THE MOST DANGEROUS AND CUNNING BRONCO OF ALL: THEY CALL IT A "SUNFISHER." THESE BRONCOS WILL REBEL AGAINST A RIDER BY ADOPTING A MOTION NOT UNLIKE THE SUNFISH OF THE GULF -- A FULL-FORCE LEAP INTO THE AIR, BACK ARCHED HIGH, FLANK TWISTING THE RIDER TO THE LEFT, HEAD AND UPPER TORSO TWISTING THE RIDER TO THE RIGHT, IN AN ATTEMPT TO TEAR HIM APART.

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LET ME SUGGEST THAT IN THE LAST FEW YEARS, THE WHOLE STATE OF TEXAS FEELS LIKE IT HAS BEEN ON JUST SUCH A RIDE . . .

STRONG MEN AND WOMEN ARE CHALLENGED BY ADVERSITY. I BELIEVE TEXANS HAVE PROVEN THAT . . . THERE MAY BE A FEW MORE BUMPS AND BRUISES AHEAD. BUT MAKE NO MISTAKE, TEXAS IS BACK IN THE SADDLE AGAIN.

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STATE UNEMPLOYMENT HAS DIPPED TO ITS LOWEST LEVEL IN FOUR YEARS, SIGNALING THE DIVERSIFICATION OF THE TEXAS ECONOMY. IN 1970, THE ENERGY SECTOR ACCOUNTED FOR NEARLY 25 PERCENT OF STATE OUTPUT. LAST YEAR, IT ACCOUNTED FOR ONLY 11.4 PERCENT. AND YET TEXAS HAS MORE THAN REGAINED THE 208,000 JOBS IT LOST FROM 1986 TO 1987, WITH EMPLOYMENT IN PLASTICS, AVIATION, ELECTRONICS, SPACE AND COMPUTER PROGRAMMING LEADING THE WAY.

MORE PEOPLE ARE AT WORK IN TEXAS TODAY THAN EVER BEFORE. THE DALLAS-FORT WORTH "METROPLEX" LEADS IN DEFENSE AND AVIATION TECHNOLOGY; HOUSTON IN SPACE AND BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH; AUSTIN, IN MICROELECTRONICS.

ANOTHER SIGN THAT TEXAS IS BECOMING A WORLD CENTER OF TECHNOLOGY IS THE SELECTION OF ELLIS COUNTY AS THE SITE OF THE SUPERCONDUCTING SUPER COLLIDER . . .

WHEN BUILT, THE SSC WILL ENABLE US TO STUDY ELEMENTAL PARTICLES WITH NAMES LIKE QUARKS, MESONS (MAY-SAHNS) AND NEUTRINOS. ((SOUNDS TO ME LIKE THE BREAKFAST CEREAL THE BUSH GRANDKIDS HAVE BEEN EATING.))

WELL, AS TOM LUCE, CHAIRMAN OF THE TEXAS NATIONAL RESEARCH LABORATORY COMMISSION SAID, WITH A LITTLE IMAGINATION, YOU CAN: "CONCLUDE THAT FUTURE RESEARCH IN THE FIELD OF HIGH ENERGY COULD SOME DAY HELP US CONQUER CANCER."

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OR DISCOVER A WAY TO BOOST THE AMOUNT OF INFORMATION ON A MICROCHIP. OR ANSWER QUESTIONS THAT ELUDED EINSTEIN, GIVING US A GLIMPSE OF THE FORCES THAT BIND THE UNIVERSE TOGETHER. THE SSC IS A KEY TO UNDERSTANDING NATURE, AND TO DEVELOPING THE TECHNOLOGIES AND INDUSTRIES OF THE 21ST CENTURY. LET ME ASSURE YOU, I WILL BACK THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SSC BECAUSE IT IS GOOD FOR AMERICA

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AND LET ME ALSO SALUTE YOU, THE MEMBERS OF THE TEXAS HOUSE AND SENATE, AND THE VOTERS OF THIS STATE, FOR HAVING THE VISION TO TAKE AN EARLY LEAD ON THIS PROJECT

STILL, NO MATTER HOW DIVERSIFIED AND HIGH-TECH TEXAS BECOMES, A STRONG DOMESTIC ENERGY INDUSTRY IS IMPORTANT TO THE FUTURE OF THIS STATE AND ALL OF AMERICA. I FIND IT DISTURBING THAT NEARLY 50 PERCENT OF AMERICA'S OIL IS IMPORTED.

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THIS IS NOT GOOD FOR OUR NATIONAL SECURITY.

SOME ARE QUESTIONING THE FUTURE OF AMERICA'S ENERGY PRODUCTION IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE WRECK OF THE EXXON VALDEZ OFF ALASKA. I AM AS CONCERNED AS YOU -- AND ALL AMERICANS -- ARE BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL TRAGEDY IN PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND. WE ARE USING FEDERAL RESOURCES INTELLIGENTLY IN THE CLEAN-UP EFFORT. WE ARE WORKING WITH INDUSTRY TO DEVELOP AN IMPROVED PLAN IN EVENT OF A FUTURE SPILL.

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BUT SHUTTING DOWN OUR DOMESTIC ENERGY PRODUCTION IS NO ANSWER, AND WOULD MERELY INCREASE OUR DEPENDENCE ON FOREIGN OIL. WE MUST, AND WE WILL, MAINTAIN A STRONG, DOMESTIC ENERGY INDUSTRY.

TO REDUCE OUR DEPENDENCE ON FOREIGN OIL, WE MUST RETURN TO HIGH LEVELS OF EXPLORATORY DRILLING. I PROPOSE TO STIMULATE DOMESTIC DRILLING WITH TAX CREDITS AND OTHER INCENTIVES. WE NEED MORE RESEARCH TO LEARN HOW TO RECOVER MORE SECONDARY AND TERTIARY OIL.

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AND I WANT TO DO SOMETHING ELSE. TEXAS HAS A 65-YEAR SUPPLY OF ONE OF THE CLEANEST FORMS OF ENERGY KNOWN TO MAN -- NATURAL GAS. I CALL ON CONGRESS, AT LONG LAST, TO FULLY DECONTROL NATURAL GAS . . . I BELIEVE THAT THIS WILL HAPPEN SOON.

WE NEED A NATIONAL ENERGY POLICY THAT RELIES NOT ONLY ON OIL, BUT ON MANY OTHER SOURCES. I BELIEVE WE CAN AND MUST USE MORE SAFE NUCLEAR POWER.

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I BELIEVE THAT COAL HAS A BRIGHT FUTURE. YOU KNOW MY CONFIDENCE IN NATURAL GAS.

AS WE ALL BECOME INCREASINGLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE NEED FOR CLEAN AIR, WE MUST LOOK MORE TO NATURAL GAS AND TO NUCLEAR POWER. WE MUST PRODUCE MORE OF OUR CORN CROP TO PRODUCE ETHANOL, MORE OF OUR NATURAL GAS TO PRODUCE METHANOL . . . GREATER USE OF THESE TWO WILL RAPIDLY IMPROVE THE AIR QUALITY OF OUR MOST HEAVILY POLLUTED CITIES.

I KNOW THERE ARE STILL A FEW DARK CLOUDS REMAINING ON OUR ECONOMIC HORIZON. I KNOW THAT YOU ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE CONTINUING CRISIS IN MANY SAVINGS AND LOAN INSTITUTIONS. I HAVE ASKED FOR MEASURES TO RESTORE THESE INSTITUTIONS TO FINANCIAL HEALTH. AND I HAVE ASKED FOR \$37 MILLION IN 1989 FUNDS FOR THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT, SO THAT THOSE WHO WILLFULLY ABUSE THE TRUST OF SMALL SAVERS CAN EXPECT TO BE PURSUED, AND PUT IN PRISON . . .

THE U.S. SENATE HAS ACTED EXPEDITIOUSLY ON THE S & L BILL, WITH STRONG SUPPORT FROM DEMOCRATS AND REPUBLICANS ALIKE. I CALL ON THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO PASS A RESPONSIBLE S & L BILL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

TEXAS, LIKE ALL OF AMERICA, FACES MANY CHALLENGES. BUT I BELIEVE THAT BY WORKING TOGETHER, AS REPUBLICANS AND DEMOCRATS, AS FEDERAL AND AS STATE OFFICIALS, WE CAN LICK ANY PROBLEMS DOWN THE PATH.

FEDERALISM WORKS BECAUSE OF YOUR LEADERSHIP AND YOUR INITIATIVE. THE OLD DICTUM OF THE BEST GOVERNMENT BEING THAT WHICH IS CLOSEST TO THE PEOPLE APPLIES HERE, IN AUSTIN. ((YOU KNOW, ANN RICHARDS WAS RIGHT ABOUT THAT SILVER FOOT. I KEPT PUTTING IT IN MY MOUTH ALL ALONG. BUT THE BOTTOM LINE IS, WHEN THEY ASK "WHERE'S GEORGE?" . . . SAY HE'S IN AUSTIN, AND DAMNED PROUD TO BE BACK . . .))

TRUE, SOME PROBLEMS OF THE RECENT PAST LINGER. SOME AREAS OF THE STATE ARE RECOVERING MORE SLOWLY THAN OTHERS. BUT THE WAY IS CLEAR TO A FUTURE AS BRIGHT AND PROMISING AS THE BLUE TEXAS SKY -- A NEW RELIANCE ON A DIVERSIFIED ECONOMY, AND THE TECHNOLOGIES OF THE NEXT CENTURY. THIS IS THE SECRET OF THE TEXAS TURNAROUND, AND ITS UNFOLDING IS A TRIBUTE TO THE LEADERSHIP OF BILL CLEMENTS, SENATORS GRAMM AND BENTSEN, AND THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE . . .

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TEXAS IS STARTING TO FEEL LIKE ITS OLD SELF AGAIN.
THERE IS AGAIN A FEELING AMONG TEXANS THAT ANYTHING IS
POSSIBLE -- WHO KNOWS, THE RANGERS OR THE ASTROS MIGHT
EVEN WIN THE WORLD SERIES . . .

AS WE FACE OUR FUTURE IN THE WHITE HOUSE, BARBARA
AND I TAKE WITH US MEMORIES OF PEOPLE AND PLACES FROM A
STATE THAT HAS BEEN HOME FOR MOST OF OUR LIVES.

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WE REMEMBER DRIVING THE KIDS ACROSS TEXAS, AND
SLOWING DOWN SO WE COULD TAKE IN THE FIELDS OF
BLUEBONNETS AND INDIAN PAINTBRUSH.

WE REMEMBER THE PEOPLE OF HOUSTON, MANY OF THEM
MATURE AND SKEPTICAL, BUT WHO NONETHELESS LISTENED TO A
GREEN YOUNG MAN AND SENT HIM TO CONGRESS.

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AND I REMEMBER LYNDON JOHNSON AT HIS RANCH BACK IN 1969, AN ELDER DEMOCRAT GIVING NEIGHBORLY ADVICE TO A YOUNG REPUBLICAN, WHILE HIS VERY SPECIAL LADY BIRD HELD OUT HER HAND IN HOSPITALITY.

BARBARA AND I TREASURE THESE 41 YEARS AS TEXANS -- THE SIGHTS AND SOUNDS OF HALF A LIFETIME, THE TRUST OF MANY FRIENDS, AND THE LOVE OF A FAMILY. ALL THIS AND MORE, WE REMEMBER WHENEVER WE THINK OF HOME . . .

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LET ME THANK YOU FOR INVITING US BACK TO AUSTIN. GOD BLESS YOU. AND GOD BLESS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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In all sincerity, happy belated birthday Bill . . .
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Speaker Gib Lewis, distinguished legislators, fellow Texans,
thank you . . . I'm delighted to be back in Austin, with so many
friends . . .

I will want to discuss a few issues facing Texas and all of
America. Agriculture Commissioner Hightower to the contrary, I
am a Texan. So let us say a few words about what it means to be
a Texan.

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Perhaps for this reason, Larry McMurtry is one of my favorite writers. In Lonesome Dove, he describes the mythic Texas, and conjures that sense of place we all know so well. I am inspired by a man of letters who can convincingly adopt the voice of cowboys and outlaws -- men whose only schooling was in dodging bullets, whose only lessons were in how to run or rustle cattle.

But, unlike Davy Crockett, I first set out for Texas not on horseback from Tennessee, but from Connecticut in a red Studebaker in June, 1948. More than forty years later, that trip is still a vivid memory --the lonesome road, a neon Pearl Beer sign appearing in the desert twilight like an apparition. Stopping at a cafe, I didn't know if a chicken fried steak was a chicken fried like a steak, or a steak that tasted like chicken .

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Still, Barbara and I settled in Texas, as did so many before us. We raised five children, built a business. And in that span of forty years, I watched this state grow into even greater glory. The Texas of the epic movie Giant seemed almost ordinary in the fifties, with bluejeaned millionaires as thick as jack rabbits in the Permian Basin. It has been noted that the wealth of merchants preceded the Renaissance of Michelangelo. In my lifetime I have seen the oil wealth of West Texas finance the building of great cities, and the expansion of first-class land grant colleges -- the origins of a Texas Renaissance, if you will. The energy business helped make Texas what it is today -- the Third Coast of the United States . . .

This Texas Renaissance lasted for years, even decades. But you also know another more recent chapter of the Texas story -- oil cheaper than fancy mineral water, skylines of empty buildings, expensive homes to be had for monthly payments, and thousands of laid-off workers.

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Strong men and women are challenged by adversity. I believe Texans have proven that . . . There may be a few more bumps and bruises ahead. But make no mistake, Texas is back in the saddle again.

State unemployment has dipped to its lowest level in four years, signaling the diversification of the Texas economy. In 1970, the energy sector accounted for nearly 25 percent of state output. Last year, it accounted for only 11.4 percent. And yet Texas has more than regained the 208,000 jobs it lost from 1986 to 1987, with employment in plastics, aviation, electronics, space and computer programming leading the way. More people are at work in Texas today than every before. The Dallas-Fort Worth "Metroplex" leads in defense and aviation technology; Houston in space and biomedical research; Austin, in microelectronics.

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Still, no matter how diversified and high-tech Texas becomes, a strong domestic energy industry is important to the future of this state and all of America. I find it disturbing that nearly 50 percent of America's oil is imported. This is not good for our national security.

Some are questioning the future of America's energy production in the aftermath of the wreck of the Exxon Valdez off Alaska. I am as concerned as you -- and all Americans -- are by the environmental tragedy in Prince William Sound. We are using

federal resources intelligently in the clean-up effort. We are working with industry to develop an improved plan in event of a future spill. But shutting down our domestic energy production is no answer, and would merely increase our dependence on foreign oil. We must, and we will, maintain a strong, domestic energy industry.

To reduce our dependence on foreign oil, we must return to high levels of exploratory drilling. I propose to stimulate domestic drilling with tax credits and other incentives. We need more research to learn how to recover more secondary and tertiary oil. And I want to do something else. Texas has a 65-year supply of one of the cleanest forms of energy known to man -- natural gas. I call on Congress, at long last, to fully decontrol natural gas . . . I believe that this will happen soon.

We need a national energy policy that relies not only on oil, but on many other sources. I believe we can and must use more safe nuclear power. I believe that coal has a bright future. You know my confidence in natural gas.

As we all become increasingly concerned about the need for clean air, we must look more to natural gas and to nuclear power. We must produce more of our corn crop to produce ethanol, more of our natural gas to produce methanol . . . Greater use of these

two will rapidly improve the air quality of our most heavily polluted cities.

I know there are still a few dark clouds remaining on our economic horizon. I know that you are concerned about the continuing crisis in many savings and loan institutions. I have asked for measures to restore these institutions to financial health. And I have asked for \$37 million in 1989 funds for the Justice Department, so that those who willfully abuse the trust of small savers can expect to be pursued, and put in prison . . . The U.S. Senate has acted expeditiously on the S & L bill, with strong support from Democrats and Republicans alike. I call on the House of Representatives to pass a responsible S & L bill as soon as possible.

Texas, like all of America, faces many challenges. But I believe that by working together, as Republicans and Democrats, as federal and as state officials, we can lick any problems down the path. Federalism works because of your leadership and your initiative. The old dictum of the best government being that which is closest to the people applies here, in Austin. ((You know, Ann Richards was right about that silver foot. I kept putting it in my mouth all along. But the bottom line is, when they ask "Where's George?" . . . say he's in Austin, and damned proud to be back . . .))

True, some problems of the recent past linger. Some areas of the state are recovering more slowly than others. But the way is clear to a future as bright and promising as the blue Texas sky -- a new reliance on a diversified economy, and the technologies of the next century. This is the secret of the Texas turnaround, and its unfolding is a tribute to the leadership of Bill Clements, Senators Gramm and Bentsen, and the men and women of the Texas Legislature . . . Texas is starting to feel like its old self again. There is again a feeling among Texans that anything is possible -- who knows, the Rangers or the Astros might even win the World Series . . .

As we face our future in the White House, Barbara and I take with us memories of people and places from a state that has been home for most of our lives.

We remember driving the kids across Texas, and slowing down so we could take in the fields of bluebonnets and Indian paintbrush.

We remember the people of Houston, many of them mature and skeptical, but who nonetheless listened to a green young man and sent him to Congress.

And I remember Lyndon Johnson at his ranch back in 1969, an elder Democrat giving neighborly advice to a young Republican,

while his very special Lady Bird held out her hand in hospitality.

Barbara and I treasure these 41 years as Texans -- the sights and sounds of half a lifetime, the trust of many friends, and the love of a family. All this and more, we remember whenever we think of home . . .

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 24, 1989

MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

FROM:

C. BOYDEN GRAY *CBG*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Texas State Legislature

Per our discussion of this afternoon, I have drafted a sentence to be inserted on page 6 of the above-referenced speech after the sentence, "I call on Congress, at long last, to fully decontrol natural gas." My suggested insert is "Expanding use of natural gas and related alternative fuels will do as much to reduce acid rain and improve our nation's air quality as almost any other single step we can take".

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 4/22/89 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: ---

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: TEXAS STATE LEGISLATURE
CAPITOL, AUSTIN

SUBJECT: APRIL 26, WEDNESDAY

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REMARKS:

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

James W. Cicconi
Assistant to the President
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Ext. 2702

Davis/Wallace
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Title: Texas
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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary
(Austin, Texas)

For Immediate Release

April 26, 1989

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
TO A JOINT SESSION OF THE TEXAS STATE LEGISLATURE

State Capitol Building
Austin, Texas

4:35 P.M. CDT

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you very, very much for that warm welcome. Mr. Speaker, thank you, sir, for presenting me to this esteemed body. And, Governor Hobby, my respects and thanks to you and to Bill Clements. It's a good thing it isn't his birthday. (Laughter.) I'm not sure another Plaid Day in the Texas Legislature is in order. But a belated happy birthday, anyway.

I'm delighted to be back in Austin with so many friends. And I'll want to discuss a few issues facing Texas and all of America. But let me just say a few words about what it means to be a Texan. My credentials -- I have my driver's license here and I have my Texas hunting license here and somewhere my voter registration slip. And it is true, I like Kennebunkport, but I am a Texan. And so I just want to clear the air and say a few words about that. (Applause.)

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To reduce our dependence on foreign oil, we must return to high levels of exploratory drilling. I propose to stimulate domestic drilling with tax credits and other incentives. We need more research -- this isn't just a function of the government, incidentally -- but we need more research to learn how to recover more of our secondary and tertiary oil. And I want to do something else. Texas has a 65-year supply of one of the cleanest forms of energy known to man -- natural gas. And I call on the United States Congress, at long last, to fully decontrol natural gas. And I believe that's going to happen soon. (Applause.)

We need a national energy policy that relies not only on oil, but on other sources as well. I believe we can and must use safe nuclear power. I believe that coal has a bright future. And you know my confidence in natural gas.

As we all become increasingly concerned about the need for clean air, we must look more to natural gas and to nuclear power. We must press forward with clean coal technology and we must produce more of our corn crop to produce -- switch more of our corn crop to produce ethanol, more of our natural gas to produce methanol. And the greater use of these alternate fuels will rapidly improve the air quality of our most heavily polluted cities. And I'm talking about Los Angeles, Denver. I'm talking about Houston, Texas, and other heavily impacted areas.

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Seriously, as we face our future in the White House,

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Barbara and I take with us memories of people and places from a state that has been home for most of our lives -- all of my adult life, if you will. We remember those 12 years in West Texas. It's a dry heat; you don't feel it. (Laughter.) My eye, we were there for 12 years. But the people -- I feel their strength and fierce independence to this very day.

And I remember driving the kids across Texas -- we moved down from West Texas down to the Gulf Coast -- slowing down to take in the fields of the blue bonnets and Indian paintbrush. I don't think you can drive through that country without thinking of yourself as a naturalist or an environmentalist, or at least counting your blessings.

And I remember the people of Houston, many of them mature and skeptical, but who nonetheless listened to a very green young man and sent him to Congress in 1966.

And I remember Lyndon Johnson at his ranch back in 1969 when I went over there -- an elder Democrat, retired from the presidency, giving neighborly advice to a young Republican, while his very special Lady Bird held out her hand in hospitality.

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You know, I've been thinking about it. Ann Richards was right. (Laughter and applause.) Why do you think that I said we could "cancer conquer"? (Laughter.) Look, I kept putting that silver foot in my mouth -- (laughter) -- all along the way. But the bottom line is, when they ask, "Where's George?" -- say he's in Austin, among friends, and I'm very proud to be back. (Applause.)

Thank you all. God bless you. And God bless the United States of America. (Applause.)

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4:55 P.M. CDT

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April 21, 1989

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THROUGH: CHRISS WINSTON *cw*
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3:00
~~9:00~~ 4/21/89

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Ext. 2702

Davis/Wallace
April 19, 11 a.m.
Title: Texas
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RESPONSE: *See changes page 4 + 7*

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Davis/Wallace
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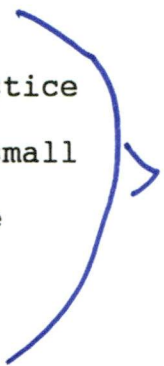
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RESPONSE:

Really good -- but needs few work on a substantive pts (esp Alaska)

James W. Cicconi
 Assistant to the President
 and Deputy to the Chief of Staff
 Ext. 2702

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APRIL 26, WED., TIME -- T.B.D.

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EXPLAIN
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Astros

Texas Rangers

Texas has 2 teams!

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Lowry *

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

FROM

COOPER EVANS *CE*

SUBJECT

ADDRESS TO TEXAS STATE LEGISLATURE

I have been told that the President will address the Texas State Legislature on April 26.

As you may know, I spent two days in Texas on April 5 and 6. I talked with lots of "aggies", and a visit to the valley to observe the drought conditions was included. The valley -- south Texas -- and the high plains -- Lubbock -- are extremely dry. There is much concern.

I realize there is a reluctance among staff, both here and at USDA, for the President to directly address this issue -- in order to prevent rising expectations regarding disaster assistance.

I also do not consider it necessary or desirable for the President to announce an assistance package at this time. However in my view, he must show an awareness of the serious implications for individual farm and ranch families and for the Texas economy. For many wheat producers the winter crop is already a failure and the President's remarks need to be based on the most current weather information -- what happens between now and next Wednesday.

USDA is closely monitoring the situation. It will be important to determine if any decisions are made in the next few days regarding administrative relief. (I don't expect this will be the case -- but it's best to check.)

If I can be of assistance to you or your staff as you prepare a draft for the address -- please call.

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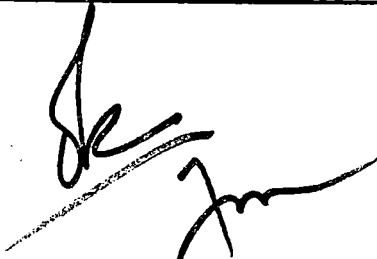
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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Memorandum to Chriss Winston

From: Jim Pinkerton 

Re: Texas Legislature Speech Draft

1,4,1 "Aside from the former kingdom of Hawaii, Texas is the only nation to have to reconcile itself to being a state." Rather than get into the minutiae of other states that claim to have been nations, e.g. Vermont, the California Bear Republic, we could play it safe and say: "Like the former kingdom of Hawaii, Texas is a nation that had to reconcile itself to being a state."

2,1 We would suggest deleting the reference to the state capitol being one foot taller than the nation's capitol -- at least, we should not have the President saying that he finds this appropriate. The point is to avoid his appearing too parochial.

2,3,1 There are paintings of Davy Crockett and Sam Houston in the chambers of the Legislature. It might be nice for the President to be able to point to either one at this line about setting out for Texas on horseback.

3,1,3 "The energy business made Texas what it is today..." Of course, most people in Texas have no connection with the energy business, and it seems less sweeping to say "The energy business helped make..."

6,2,2 Just FYI: The President's energy tax incentives phase out when the price of oil reaches \$21 per barrel. Yesterday's spot market price of West Texas Intermediate crude oil was \$24.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 21, 1989

MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Texas State Legislature

I have reviewed the draft of the President's remarks at the Texas State Legislature. There is much wonderful prose in this speech, fine phrases about the President's closeness to Texas and her people, and a sense of the affection he has for his adopted home.

My suggestions are few and I hope constructive:

1. In the first paragraph on page two, I don't think it is appropriate that the President should state he believe it appropriate that the capital in Texas should stand taller than the Nation's capital. By omitting the sentence "I find this appropriate," and modifying the next sentence to read "Texas certainly stands tall in the heart of this President," he can preserve the thought.

2. I am a bit uncomfortable with the President saying that he is awed by a writer. Perhaps saying that he is inspired by Larry McMurty would work in the second paragraph on page two.

3. On page three in the first full paragraph, I recommend that we not call it a sad story -- it is a story that as the speech goes on to say shows resilience and character. There is nothing sad about adversity -- what is sad is when peopler permit adversity to destroy them.

4. On page six in the first paragraph, rather than say that our nation's energy production is in doubt, I recommend the edits I have noted on the attached draft.

5. At the end of that paragraph, we should delete the reference to the environment since in its present form it is somewhat confusing, particularly when the thrust of the entire paragraph is on energy policy. The concluding sentence, to which the entire paragraph is building to should read: "What a tragedy it would be if we transferred our domestic oil industry to foreign producers and foreign tankers.."

The remaining edits I have are marked on the attached copy. Once again, congratulations on a solid draft.

cc: James W. Cicconi

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FROM: ROBERT J. PORTMAN 
ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Texas State Legislature

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Thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.

cc: James W. Cicconi

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