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## THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary  
(Dallas, Texas)

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November 10, 1989

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT  
DURING FUNDRAISING DINNER  
FOR GOVERNOR BILL CLEMENTSThe Grand Kempinski Hotel  
Dallas, Texas

7:56 P.M. CST

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you very much, Governor, and thank all of you for that warm welcome. Thank you, Bill. Rita, it's so good to see you. Our Secretary of State George Bayoud, and Fred Meyer and Penny Butler and so many others.

Fred McClure, who you just heard sing, is an Assistant to the President at the top level of the White House. And he's in charge of our congressional relations, a very difficult and trying job, it seems. But nevertheless, he has a lovely voice and I'm delighted to know of this talent. He's hidden it, hidden his light under a bushel up there. We may have a new way of cajoling Senator Mitchell and some of the others to do it the way we want done. (Laughter.) Fred, thank you. (Applause.)

And, of course, seeing Bob Dedman here and the other chairmen and cochairmen just reminds me that it is -- if you want to get something done and done right, get a busy person, a successful person. Bob, I'm so pleased to see you again, and your coworkers. And it's great to be back in the Metroplex, especially in a city that forgot to finish the roof on its biggest stadium. (Laughter.) And, of course, in the good old days, as Jerry knows, any Dallas Cowboy fan would tell you this was so God could see His team play. (Laughter.)

Well, the Cowboys are coming back. They kicked the Redskins in our new hometown the other day. (Applause.)

But, Bill, you and I do go back a long way -- long before either of us got into politics. And we shared common goals in business and in politics. We also have a lot in common as public speakers. We've certainly been accused of making our share of verbal gaffes. But so what if we've been known to put our foot in our mouth from time to time? I just hope that your foot is as silver as mine. (Laughter and applause.)

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I would not, nor Barbara, we wouldn't have missed this affair for anything. Over the years, I have come to depend on Bill's steady friendship and his sound advice. And so have the people of Texas. And tonight's tribute is our way of letting you know just how much we appreciate you.

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in West Texas that a mile between fenceposts is a long distance, but a mile between towns is short. Well, Bill, the time between these two terms of yours was short enough to preserve the gains you had achieved. But it was long enough to prove just how right you were about what works for Texas. (Applause.) Of course, there are those cynics who still say that on the day Bill Clements returned as Governor, that the Texas National Guard switched back to plaid fatigues. (Laughter.)

But we all know that in the middle years of the decade, humor was in short supply in our state. And when you hit the comeback trail, houses could be had for payments; and tens of thousands of blue-collar providers just couldn't provide. Bill, Texas was in trouble. And Texas needed a leader. And Texas needed you.

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And these have also been comeback years for America. True, we still do face some extraordinarily difficult national problems. But tough national problems require nothing less than national solutions. And that's why I'm pleased to work so closely with Bill Clements and the other 49 chief executives in the states.

Bill and I share a similar approach on many issues, starting with crime fighting. Thanks to him, prison sentences in Texas are again measured in years, not meted out by the available square feet. And I believe we need this same disciplined, tough approach in Washington, starting with my administration's crime control legislation to toughen federal sentences. And I believe Congress should help us now by putting the handcuffs on the criminals and not on the courts. And I'd like to see them get moving on this anticrime legislation. (Applause.)

And we share a similar approach -- the Governor and I -- to fighting drugs. Texas has tightened its probation, its parole system so that ex-cons must now be "drug free to be free." And the Texas Narcotics Control Program, I am told, has used a \$12 million federal investment to seize more than \$350 million worth of drugs; and the Texas National Guard is on the alert for smugglers. And this is exactly the kind of tough-minded strategy that America needs and that I proposed -- and, again, that the Congress must pass. (Applause.)

And Bill and I also share a similar approach on education reform. At this Charlottesville summit that I'm sure you read about, the governors joined me in an historic compact to give our schools all across the country greater flexibility in return for greater accountability. And I am pleased to note that this was exactly what Governor Clements is already doing -- rewarding good schools through the Educational Excellence Program.

And finally, as a former Deputy Secretary of Defense, Bill shares my view that the best way to keep America and the West free is to keep the United States of America strong.

Of course, we all look now with hope in our hearts at the amazing changes in Eastern Europe -- indeed, in the Soviet Union itself. We look at it with encouragement and with hope. Yet this country must not and cannot base its foreign policy or its national security aspirations on one man inside the Soviet Union or anywhere else.

I do look forward to meeting with President Gorbachev off the coast of Malta early in December. Because this is not a summit, we will leave the detailed arms-control proposals to the true summit, to be held next year. But there will be plenty for us to talk about this year -- regional issues, some global ones, including the environment. And I'll also make it clear to him that we want to see his reforms succeed. We all have a stake, and our kids and our grandchildren, in seeing his reforms succeed. And I will tell Mister Gorbachev what his government can do to improve relations with the United States of America and with our allies.

We're living in exciting times. The rapidity of change is mind-boggling. And I will do me level-best to conduct an imaginative foreign policy. But I will be prudent. I must be that. I will do my best to move freedom forward.

One last point, and I think you will enjoy this. I just talked to Chancellor Kohl over at the hotel. He called me from Germany. He came back from Poland, as you know, to Germany, and now he's returning either tonight or tomorrow to Poland. And I talked to him and he asked me to share with the American people his conviction, which he stated publicly in Berlin today, that this remarkable change that is taking place in Eastern Europe -- most recently in the German Democratic Republic, could never have taken place without the steadfast loyal support of the United States of America. And he asked me to tell the American people this -- (applause) -- and he is absolutely right about it. (Applause.)

We've touched on several issues here -- many issues important to Texas and the nation. But I must note that Texas is now at the threshold of a new era. In just a little more than one year, Texans will choose a new governor. And when I consider the talented Republicans who are running to succeed Bill, I can't help but say that, with continued Republican leadership, Texas cannot lose. (Applause.)

And I am proud to be on this platform with several of these very distinguished Texans who are in this race, willing to roll up their sleeves, get into the public arena, and go to work to help our state.

As you would expect, a Texas Democratic friend of mine had his own ideas about the election. He offered me his prediction that the next governor of this state would be that smart, silver-haired, feisty, outspoken Lone Star lady with a sharp sense of humor. And I said, no way, not possible. Barbara is very happy in the White House. (Laughter and applause.)

But the election is a year away. Tonight, we're gathered here to honor this governor who's still at work -- still building a safer legacy of safer streets and better schools. Of good government, decency and honor, greater opportunity.

Governor, Texas is a mythic place, a land of heroes. And their very names are the stuff of legend -- Davy Crockett and Sam Houston and Stephen Austin. And I predict that when some future historian writes the history of modern Texas, there will be room for another hero -- another great Texas leader. And his name will be Bill Clements. (Applause.)

Thank you, Bill, for your service to our great state. And may I ask you to join me in a toast. To Bill and Rita, to you, and to Texas. And God bless our wonderful state, and God bless the United States of America. (Applause.) To the Clements. Thank you all. It's a great pleasure to be with you. (Applause.)

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GOV. BILL CLEMENTS  
GRAND KEMPINSKI HOTEL, DALLAS, TEXAS  
6:30 P.M., FRIDAY, NOV. 10, 1989

THANK YOU BILL. GOOD TO SEE YOU, RITA,  
((SECRETARY OF STATE)) GEORGE BAYOUD ((BYE-EWED)), FRED  
MEYER, PENNY BUTLER, AND OF COURSE LEE ATWATER.

((IT'S GREAT TO BE BACK IN THE METROPLEX, AND  
ESPECIALLY IN A CITY THAT FORGOT TO FINISH THE ROOF  
OVER ITS BIGGEST STADIUM.\\ OF COURSE, IN THE GOOD OLD  
DAYS, ANY DALLAS COWBOY FAN WOULD TELL YOU THIS WAS SO  
GOD COULD SEE HIS TEAM PLAY.))\\

BILL -- YOU AND I GO BACK A LONG WAY -- LONG  
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((BUT BILL, AT LEAST YOU'RE A COLORFUL CHARACTER. I GUESS THE WHOLE COUNTRY HAS HEARD THE STORY OF HOW YOU WERE EATING IN A DALLAS RESTAURANT WHEN A HOLDUP TOOK PLACE -- AND HOW YOU JUST KEPT RIGHT ON EATING YOUR HAMBURGER THROUGH THE WHOLE ORDEAL. BILL, I'M NOT SURE IF THAT WAS TEXAS COURAGE\\ OR JUST HUNGER\\\\ OR THE NEED FOR A NEW PAIR OF GLASSES.))

KIDDING ASIDE, BILL, I WANT YOU TO KNOW I WOULDN'T HAVE MISSED THIS AFFAIR FOR ANYTHING. OVER THE YEARS, I HAVE COME TO DEPEND ON YOUR STEADY FRIENDSHIP AND SOUND ADVICE. SO HAVE THE PEOPLE OF TEXAS. AND TONIGHT'S TRIBUTE IS OUR WAY OF LETTING YOU KNOW JUST HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATE YOU.

BILL, YOUR FIRST TERM WAS A GLORIOUS TIME FOR TEXAS, AND A MEMORABLE CHAPTER IN THE POLITICAL HISTORY OF OUR STATE. THEY SAY IN WEST TEXAS THAT A MILE BETWEEN FENCEPOSTS IS A LONG DISTANCE, BUT A MILE BETWEEN TOWNS IS SHORT. WELL, BILL, THE TIME BETWEEN YOUR TWO TERMS WAS SHORT ENOUGH TO PRESERVE THE GAINS THAT YOU HAD ACHIEVED. BUT IT WAS LONG ENOUGH TO PROVE JUST HOW RIGHT YOU WERE ABOUT WHAT WORKS FOR TEXAS.\\ ((OF COURSE, THERE ARE THOSE WHO STILL SAY THAT ON THE DAY BILL CLEMENTS RETURNED AS GOVERNOR, THAT THE TEXAS NATIONAL GUARD SWITCHED BACK TO PLAID FATIGUES.))\\

BUT WE ALL KNOW THAT IN THE MIDDLE YEARS OF THE DECADE, HUMOR WAS IN SHORT SUPPLY IN TEXAS. WHEN YOU HIT THE COMEBACK TRAIL, HOUSES COULD BE HAD FOR PAYMENTS; AND TENS OF THOUSANDS OF BLUE-COLLAR PROVIDERS JUST COULDN'T PROVIDE. BILL, TEXAS WAS IN TROUBLE.\\ TEXAS NEEDED A LEADER.\\ TEXAS NEEDED YOU.\\

NOW, OPTIMISM HAS RETURNED TO THE MOST OPTIMISTIC STATE IN THE UNION. TEXAS EMPLOYMENT IS UP. CONSTRUCTION PERMITS ARE UP. RETAIL SALES ARE UP. ONCE AGAIN, TEXAS IS A MAGNET FOR BUSINESS AND FOR RESEARCH PROJECTS LIKE THE SUPERCONDUCTING SUPER COLLIDER. THE SPACE INDUSTRY IS STARTING TO TAKE OFF, AND THE EYES OF TEXAS ARE ONCE AGAIN ON THE STARS. ALL THIS ADDS UP TO JOBS, PROSPERITY AND A DECENT SHOT AT HAPPINESS FOR COUNTLESS FAMILIES. THE COMEBACK OF BILL CLEMENTS HAS MEANT NOTHING LESS THAN THE COMEBACK OF TEXAS.\ \

THESE HAVE ALSO BEEN COMEBACK YEARS FOR AMERICA. TRUE, WE STILL FACE SOME TOUGH NATIONAL PROBLEMS. BUT TOUGH NATIONAL PROBLEMS REQUIRE NOTHING LESS THAN NATIONAL SOLUTIONS. AND THAT IS WHY I'M PLEASED TO WORK SO CLOSELY WITH BILL CLEMENTS AND ALL MY FELLOW CHIEF EXECUTIVES IN THE STATES.

BILL AND I SHARE A SIMILAR APPROACH ON MANY ISSUES, STARTING WITH CRIME-FIGHTING. THANKS TO BILL, PRISON SENTENCES IN TEXAS ARE AGAIN MEASURED IN YEARS, NOT METED OUT BY THE AVAILABLE SQUARE-FEET. I BELIEVE WE NEED THIS SAME TOUGH APPROACH IN WASHINGTON, STARTING WITH MY ADMINISTRATION'S CRIME-CONTROL LEGISLATION TO TOUGHEN FEDERAL SENTENCES. AND I BELIEVE CONGRESS SHOULD HELP US BY PUTTING THE HANDCUFFS ON CRIMINALS, NOT ON THE COURTS.\

BILL AND I SHARE A SIMILAR APPROACH TO FIGHTING DRUGS. TEXAS HAS TIGHTENED ITS PROBATION AND PAROLE SYSTEM SO THAT EX-CONS MUST NOW BE "DRUG FREE TO BE FREE"; THE TEXAS NARCOTICS CONTROL PROGRAM HAS USED A \$12 MILLION FEDERAL INVESTMENT TO SEIZE MORE THAN \$350 MILLION WORTH OF DRUGS; AND THE TEXAS NATIONAL GUARD IS ON THE ALERT FOR SMUGGLERS. THIS IS EXACTLY THE KIND OF TOUGH-MINDED STRATEGY THAT AMERICA NEEDS -- THAT I PROPOSED -- AND THAT CONGRESS MUST PASS.\

AND BILL AND I ALSO SHARE A SIMILAR APPROACH ON EDUCATION REFORM. AT THE CHARLOTTESVILLE SUMMIT, THE GOVERNORS JOINED ME IN AN HISTORIC COMPACT TO GIVE OUR SCHOOLS GREATER FLEXIBILITY IN RETURN FOR GREATER ACCOUNTABILITY. AND I AM PLEASED TO NOTE THAT THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT BILL IS ALREADY DOING, REWARDING GOOD SCHOOLS THROUGH THE EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE PROGRAM.

FINALLY, AS A FORMER DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, BILL SHARES MY VIEW THAT THE BEST WAY TO KEEP AMERICA AND THE WEST FREE, IS TO KEEP OURSELVES STRONG.\\

OF COURSE, WE ALL LOOK AT THE AMAZING CHANGES IN EASTERN EUROPE -- INDEED, IN THE SOVIET UNION ITSELF -- WITH ENCOURAGEMENT AND HOPE. YET THIS COUNTRY MUST NOT BASE ITS FOREIGN POLICY OR ITS NATIONAL SECURITY ON THE ASPIRATIONS OF ONE MAN INSIDE THE SOVIET UNION, OR ANYWHERE ELSE. I DO LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING WITH MISTER GORBACHEV OFF THE COAST OF MALTA. BECAUSE THIS IS NOT A SUMMIT, WE'LL LEAVE THE DETAILED ARMS-CONTROL PROPOSALS TO THE TRUE SUMMIT, TO BE HELD NEXT YEAR. BUT, THERE WILL BE PLENTY FOR US TO TALK ABOUT THIS YEAR: REGIONAL ISSUES, AND SOME GLOBAL ONES, INCLUDING THE ENVIRONMENT. I WILL ALSO MAKE IT CLEAR TO MISTER GORBACHEV THAT WE WANT TO SEE HIS REFORMS SUCCEED. AND I WILL TELL MISTER GORBACHEV WHAT HIS GOVERNMENT CAN DO TO IMPROVE RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES.

I HAVE TOUCHED ON MANY ISSUES, IMPORTANT TO TEXAS AND THE NATION. BUT I MUST NOTE THAT TEXAS IS NOW AT THE THRESHOLD OF A NEW ERA. IN JUST A LITTLE MORE THAN ONE YEAR, TEXANS WILL CHOOSE A NEW GOVERNOR. AND WHEN I CONSIDER THE TALENTED REPUBLICANS WHO ARE RUNNING TO SUCCEED BILL, I CAN'T HELP BUT SAY THAT WITH CONTINUED REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP, TEXAS CANNOT LOSE.\ \

((AS YOU WOULD EXPECT, A TEXAS DEMOCRATIC FRIEND OF MINE HAD HIS OWN IDEAS ABOUT THE ELECTION. HE OFFERED ME HIS PREDICTION THAT THE NEXT GOVERNOR OF THIS STATE WOULD BE THAT SMART, SILVER-HAIRED, FEISTY, OUT-SPOKEN LONE STAR LADY WITH A SHARP SENSE OF HUMOR.\\ I SAID, "NO WAY. NOT POSSIBLE. BARBARA BUSH IS VERY HAPPY IN THE WHITE HOUSE.")\\

BUT THE ELECTION IS A YEAR AWAY. TONIGHT, WE ARE GATHERED TO HONOR A GOVERNOR WHO IS STILL AT WORK, STILL BUILDING A LEGACY OF SAFER STREETS AND BETTER SCHOOLS; OF GOOD GOVERNMENT AND GREATER OPPORTUNITY.

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((AFTER TOAST)) THANK YOU, AND MAY GOD BLESS YOU  
AND THE LONE STAR STATE.

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Davis/Martin  
Title: Clements  
Nov. 8, 1989  
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**PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: GOV. BILL CLEMENTS  
GRAND KEMPINSKI HOTEL, DALLAS, TEXAS  
6:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 10, 1989**

Thank you Bill. Good to see you, Rita, ((Secretary of State)) George Bayoud ((Bayou)), Fred Meyer, Penny Butler.

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((AFTER TOAST)) Thank you, and may God bless you and the Lone Star State.

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# WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: CLEMENTS FUNDRAISER

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**REMARKS:**

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

**RESPONSE:**

James W. Cicconi  
Assistant to the President  
and Deputy to the Chief of Staff  
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

November 7, 1989

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH:           CHRISS WINSTON CW  
FROM:               MARK DAVIS MD  
SUBJECT:            Governor Clements' Fundraiser

I. SUMMARY:

On Friday, November 10, 1989, at 6:30 p.m. you will attend a \$1,000 a plate dinner at the Grand Kempinski Hotel in Dallas. An audience of 1,500 people is expected. Governor Bill Clements will introduce you, then you will deliver brief remarks (6-8 minutes) prepared on speechcards.

II. DISCUSSION:

The purpose of the fundraiser is to retire the Governor's debt before he retires from office. Your remarks quickly review the outstanding accomplishments of Governor Clements' terms --the improved economic outlook and criminal justice reform.

Davis/Martin  
Title: Clements  
Nov. 1, 1989  
Draft: Two

**PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: GOV. BILL CLEMENTS  
GRAND KEMPINSKI HOTEL, DALLAS, TEXAS  
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Thank you, it's great to be back in Dallas. ((Bill and Rita Clements, and other acknowledgements to come.))

((Funny thing, but every time I come back to Texas, I get an easy feeling, like I've just slipped on a comfortable pair of worn-out blue jeans and some old boots\\. . . unless, of course, I've got to go to a formal dinner at a hotel and make another speech.))\\

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Bill, you are the only Texas governor to serve at the beginning and the end of a decade. You are also the first Lone Star Republican governor since Reconstruction, arriving in Austin just two years before Ronald Reagan and I arrived in Washington.

In fact, your election was one of the first signs of a new era in American politics -- a turn to those with firm convictions, visionary ideas and an unshakable conviction that America's best years are still to come.

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
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November 7, 1989

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH:           CHRISS WINSTON *cw*  
FROM:               MARK DAVIS *MD*  
SUBJECT:            Governor Clements' Fundraiser

I. SUMMARY:

On Friday, November 10, 1989, at 6:30 p.m. you will attend a \$1,000 a plate dinner at the Grand Kempinski Hotel in Dallas. An audience of 1,500 people is expected. Governor Bill Clements will introduce you, then you will deliver brief remarks (6-8 minutes) prepared on speechcards.

II. DISCUSSION:

The purpose of the fundraiser is to retire the Governor's debt before he retires from office. Your remarks quickly review the outstanding accomplishments of Governor Clements' terms --the improved economic outlook and criminal justice reform.

Davis/Martin  
Title: Clements  
Nov. 1, 1989  
Draft: Two

**PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: GOV. BILL CLEMENTS  
GRAND KEMPINSKI HOTEL, DALLAS, TEXAS  
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Memorandum to Chriss Winston

From: Jim Pinkerton  
Subject: Clements Fundraiser

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pg. 2, para. 2, line 1 "...only Texas governor to serve at the beginning and the end of a decade."

If it hasn't been done already, this fact needs double-checking.

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This only slightly makes fun of Clements' bitter defeat, but it still seems inappropriate: not just because of lingering bitterness, or the slight implication that he deserved a vacation, but because Clements was beaten by a candidate (Mark White) who is running again.

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MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RBP*  
SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Clements Fundraiser

We have reviewed the draft remarks for the Clements Fundraiser. We have one recommendation from a policy standpoint. In the second sentence of the third full paragraph on page three, we suggest changing the word "legislation" to "strategy" and inserting "and" between the words "sentence" and "to".

The reference to creating more federal prison space through passage of the President's crime package is technically inaccurate. The provisions of the crime package that relate to prison space were taken out of the bill and considered along with the funding provisions of the drug strategy. The modification that we suggest takes care of this minor inaccuracy.

If you have any questions or we can help in any way, please let us know.

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But we all know that in the middle years of the decade, humor was in short supply in Texas. When you hit the comeback trail, houses could be had for payments; and tens of thousands of blue-collar providers just couldn't provide. Bill, Texas was in trouble. Texas needed a leader. Texas needed **you**.

Now, optimism has returned to the most optimistic state in the Union. Texas employment is up. Construction permits are up. Retail sales are up. Once again, Texas is a magnet for business and for research projects like the Superconducting Super

Collider. The space industry is starting to take off, and the eyes of Texas are once again on the stars. And America will go **back to the future, back to space** -- and this time, **back to stay.**\\ All this adds up to jobs, prosperity and a decent shot at happiness for countless families. The comeback of Bill Clements has meant nothing less than the comeback of Texas.\\

Bill, you also promised to take command of a criminal-justice system that was in crisis. The state was looking at a \$24 million fine for prison overcrowding. Felons lost their fear of the law when sentences were no longer measured in years, but meted out by the available square-feet.

Yet by 1987, Texas **again** had an activist governor. Thanks to you, Texas is becoming a safer place with 25,000 new prison beds for violent felons. Thanks to you, those on probation and parole must be drug free to **be** free. And thanks to you, Texas justice means that punishment now fits the crime.

Of course, this is great news for Texas. But the nation still awaits the passage of my Administration's crime-control ~~legislation~~ <sup>AND</sup> to toughen **federal** sentences, to create more **federal** prison space. I call on Congress to help us put the handcuffs on **criminals**, not on the **courts.**\\ I call on Congress to pass our national strategy to **take back the streets.**\\

Yet our state is at the threshold of a new era. In just a little more than one year, Texans will choose a new governor. And when I consider the talented Republicans who are running to

succeed Bill, I can't help but say that with continued Republican leadership, **Texas cannot lose.**\\

((As you would expect, a Texas Democratic friend of mine had his own ideas about the election. He offered me his prediction that the next governor of this state would be that smart, silver-haired, feisty, Lone Star lady with a sharp sense of humor.\\ I said, "no way. Not possible. Barbara Bush is **happy** in the White House."))\\

But the election is a year away. Tonight, we are gathered to honor a governor who is still at work, still building a legacy of safer streets and better schools; of good government and greater opportunity.

Bill, Texas is a mythic place, a land of heroes. Their very names are the stuff of legend: Davey Crockett, Sam Houston and Stephen F. Austin. I predict that when some future historian writes the history of **modern** Texas, there will be room for yet another hero, another great Texas leader. And his name will be William Clements.\\ May I propose a toast? ((RAISE GLASS)) Bill and Rita, to you and to Texas.\\

((AFTER TOAST)) Thank you, and may God bless you and the Lone Star State.

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