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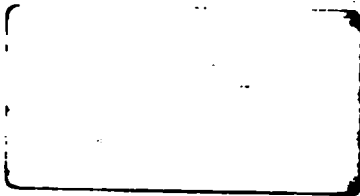
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(Smith/Blessey)
5 P.M.
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PRESIDENTIAL T.P.: RGA FUNDRAISER
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA
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o Mr. Cook, Governor and Mrs. Deukmejian, Governor and Mrs. Ashcroft, Governor and Mrs. Sununu, Lee Atwater, Fellow Republicans. It's great to be back in California -- and to talk about how Republican Governors can build a better America.

o The office of Governor is where the action is. First, they count politically. Only GOP Governors can stop Democratic gerrymandering. Remember 1984? Republican Congressional candidates in California together received more total votes than the Democratic candidates -- yet got 9 fewer seats.

o We have to change that. Three States alone -- Florida, Texas, and California -- may gain up to 13 Congressional seats through 1990 Census. California may get up to seven more. GOP Governors can see that reapportionment doesn't turn into another shell game where Democrats mark and deal the cards.

o Next, Governors count by building an America of opportunity. I need Republican Governors to help keep the Nation prosperous -- we've had over 20 million new jobs since 1982. So let's pass the capital gains tax cut. // Governors can also encourage a strong military. Californians know that a strong America is an America at peace.

o Another Administration priority is child care. I need GOP Governors who support our legislation to put choice in hands of low-income parents -- allowing a grandparent to help, or neighbor, or church. // The environment is crucial. So we have sent up legislation to reduce acid rain, air toxics, and urban smog -- the first rewrite of Clean Air Act in over 10 years.

o A priority of every State is freedom from crime and drugs. Last month I announced the 1990 National Drug Control Strategy for FY 1990 -- Phase II of the comprehensive drug policy we unveiled last year. We're asking Congress to spend over 10 and a half billion dollars. And our budget request calls for more Federal assistance to States and localities in drug use, prevention, treatment, and law enforcement. We also want expansion of the death penalty for drug kingpins. We need Governors who'll join with us in toughening the laws. //

o Our final priority is education. George Deukmejian knows that the future begins with kids. So last fall he and the other 49 Governors and I convened America's first Education Summit.

o From that summit came the education goals I announced last month -- goals developed with the Nation's Governors. We want every student to start school ready to learn. We've proposed a record increase -- an extra half a billion dollars --- for Head Start. // We want drug-free schools -- so kids can learn. Our graduation rate must be no less than 90 percent. Diplomas must mean something. We want our students to be first

in world in math and science by 2000. And each American to be a skilled, literate worker and citizen.

o These are great objectives -- and we'll obtain them. But only if we have great Governors acting in tandem with President, Congress, and county and local officials.

o That's why we need Republican Governors across America. I thank you for your support of the RGA. And it's why we need Pete Wilson as your next Governor -- and thanks for supporting him.

o Let's help Pete Wilson ensure honest reapportionment -- and make California even greater. Let's help build a golden future for the Golden State. Thank you, God bless you, and God bless America.

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