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THE WHITE HOUSE

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May 2, 1990

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
AT THE PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE MEETING
ON EMPLOYMENT OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Washington Hilton
Washington, D.C.

10:28 A.M. EDT

THE PRESIDENT: Good morning. And Justin, thank you, my dear friend, for that most generous introduction. I'm just delighted to be with all of you. I want to say how pleased I am to see Ed Ramsey and thank him for what he and his company are doing in this field of interest to all of us. I had a little opportunity just before I came in here to say hello to another person I admire very much, Patricia Neal, over here. (Applause.) And the I was glad to see Chris Burke again. Last time I saw him he was running wild in the White House. Not really -- but he came over and we did a little tape together, but he's doing great and I'm so proud that he's with us here today. (Applause.)

I'm going to get into real trouble on all this acknowledgement, but I'm delighted, of course, to be with Justin Dart. He is truly a great humanitarian. He's one of the strongest advocates for equal rights and equal opportunity for all Americans that I've ever met -- (applause) -- especially those with disabilities. And his hard work and perseverance through adversity benefited all of us. And you have to forgive me for rambling on about Justin. It's just that not only is he a friend, but he truly is one of the founding fathers of the Americans with Disabilities Act, one of the most important pieces of legislation to ever reach Capitol Hill. (Applause.)

And as I said almost two years ago, it is time -- past time -- that people with disabilities are included in the mainstream of American life. (Applause.) As members of a community who are actively involved in helping disabled Americans join the work force, I don't have to tell you that we face many difficulties. More than two-thirds of our fellow citizens with disabilities of working age are, indeed, unemployed; and that is intolerable. And much of that unemployment stems from lack of opportunity.

And ADA, that act, will form the foundation for policies and programs that can create opportunities for Americans with disabilities to find and hold jobs, and to enjoy the income and satisfaction that productive participation in society brings to us all. And no longer can we allow ignorance or prejudice to deny opportunities to millions of Americans with disabilities. (Applause.)

We recognize your right to equal opportunity. And we need you abilities and skills. Anybody who takes a look at the demographics in this country and looks just over the horizon into the future knows that the problem is going to be not finding jobs for people but finding people for the jobs that exist as we move into the next -- towards the end of this decade. We welcome you -- the disabled -- into the mainstream of American life because it is your life as well as ours.

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the fullest extent of their abilities. And I am hopeful that the House of Representatives will take action soon on the ADA, just as the Senate took enthusiastic action last September. I look forward to signing a bill that will address the needs of our disabled citizens. And, frankly, it is my view that disabled citizens have waited long enough for equality. (Applause.)

Now, I was asked over here for a special purpose. And this morning, I have the pleasure of sharing the stage with some truly exemplary Americans. And I wish I had time to introduce each one of them because their efforts are certainly outstanding. There is, however, one individual who deserves special mention. His name is David Schwartzkopf. As you saw -- and I understand you've just seen this video -- David has overcome some extremely tough obstacles -- cerebral palsy, legal blindness, early misdiagnosis -- to become a completely mainstreamed professional in a high-technology industry.

Not content to merely be successful in his professional career, David is out in society doing all that he can to help other disabled Americans overcome some big hurdles. His inventions have helped visually impaired people enter the work force; his speeches have inspired management to rethink their hiring practices; and his consulting is helping to bring about equal opportunities. David gives meaning to the words dignity and independence.

And so it is with great pleasure that I present you, David, with the President's Trophy proclaiming you the 1990 Disabled American of the Year. Congratulations for your help to so many others. Congratulations. (Applause.)

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10:35 A.M. EDT

**PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE ON EMPLOYMENT OF PEOPLE
WITH DISABILITIES / WASHINGTON HILTON
WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 1990 / 10:15 A.M.**

GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU JUSTIN (DART). IT'S GOOD TO SEE EDWARD RENSI [WREN-SEE], PATRICIA NEIL, CHRIS BURKE, AND THE AWARD WINNERS. I AM DELIGHTED TO BE HERE WITH JUSTIN, WHO IS TRULY A GREAT HUMANITARIAN AND ONE OF OUR STRONGEST ADVOCATES FOR EQUAL RIGHTS AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL AMERICANS -- ESPECIALLY THOSE WITH DISABILITIES.

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HIS HARD WORK AND PERSEVERANCE THROUGH ADVERSITY HAS BENEFITTED ALL OF US. YOU HAVE TO FORGIVE ME FOR RAMBLING ON ABOUT JUSTIN, IT'S JUST THAT NOT ONLY IS HE A FRIEND, HE IS ONE THE FOUNDING FATHERS OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT -- ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT PIECES OF LEGISLATION TO EVER REACH CAPITOL HILL.

AS I SAID ALMOST TWO YEARS AGO, IT IS TIME -- PAST TIME -- THAT PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES ARE INCLUDED IN THE MAINSTREAM OF AMERICAN LIFE. AS MEMBERS OF A COMMUNITY WHO ARE ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN HELPING DISABLED AMERICANS JOIN THE WORKFORCE, I DON'T HAVE TO TELL YOU THAT WE FACE MANY DIFFICULTIES. MORE THAN TWO THIRDS OF OUR FELLOW CITIZENS WITH DISABILITIES OF WORKING AGE ARE UNEMPLOYED. THAT IS INTOLERABLE. MUCH OF THAT UNEMPLOYMENT STEMS FROM A LACK OF OPPORTUNITY.

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EVERY AMERICAN SHOULD BE ABLE TO JOIN THE WORKFORCE TO THE FULLEST EXTENT OF THEIR ABILITIES. AND I AM HOPEFUL THAT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WILL TAKE ACTION SOON ON THE ADA, JUST AS THEIR COUNTERPARTS IN THE SENATE DID LAST SEPTEMBER. I LOOK FORWARD TO SIGNING A BILL THAT WILL ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF OUR DISABLED CITIZENS.

DISABLED AMERICANS HAVE WAITED LONG ENOUGH FOR EQUALITY.

THIS MORNING, I HAVE THE PLEASURE OF SHARING THE STAGE WITH SOME TRULY EXEMPLARY AMERICANS. I WISH I HAD TIME TO INTRODUCE EACH OF THEM BECAUSE THEIR EFFORTS ARE CERTAINLY OUTSTANDING. THERE IS, HOWEVER, ONE INDIVIDUAL WHO DESERVES SPECIAL MENTION. HIS NAME IS DAVID SCHWARTZKOPF.

AS YOU SAW IN THE VIDEO, DAVID HAS OVERCOME SOME EXTREMELY TOUGH OBSTACLES -- CEREBRAL PALSY, LEGAL BLINDNESS, EARLY MISDIAGNOSIS -- TO BECOME "A COMPLETELY MAINSTREAMED PROFESSIONAL IN A HIGH-TECHNOLOGY INDUSTRY." NOT CONTENT TO MERELY BE SUCCESSFUL IN HIS PROFESSIONAL CAREER, DAVID IS OUT IN SOCIETY DOING ALL HE CAN TO HELP OTHER DISABLED AMERICANS OVER SOME BIG HURDLES.

HIS INVENTIONS HAVE HELPED VISUALLY IMPAIRED PEOPLE ENTER THE WORKFORCE; HIS SPEECHES HAVE INSPIRED MANAGEMENT TO RE-THINK THEIR HIRING PRACTICES; AND HIS CONSULTING IS HELPING TO BRING ABOUT EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES. DAVID GIVES MEANING TO THE WORDS DIGNITY AND INDEPENDENCE. SO IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT YOU WITH THE PRESIDENT'S TROPHY PROCLAIMING YOU THE 1990 DISABLED AMERICAN OF THE YEAR. CONGRATULATIONS.

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PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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April 30, 1990

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH:

DAVID DEMAREST *DD*

FROM:

CHRISTINA MARTIN *CM*

SUBJECT:

PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE ON EMPLOYMENT OF PEOPLE WITH
DISABILITIES AWARDS CEREMONY

I. SUMMARY:

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II. DISCUSSION:

The attached remarks reaffirm your stance on the Americans with Disabilities Act, and assist in your presentation of the President's Trophy for Disabled American of 1990 to David Schwartzkopf.

Martin
April 30, 1990
Draft Two
Title: Disa

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WASHINGTON HILTON / WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 1990
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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
Ext. 2702

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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REMARKS: Please provide any comments/recommendations directly to Chriss Winston by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, 04/30, with a copy to my office. Thanks.

RESPONSE:

*See Comments.
Holly Williamson
4-30-90
We were still waiting for
comments from HHS, but
Here are the other ones. Thanks - Holly*

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

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DAVID DEMAREST *DD*

FROM:

CHRISTINA MARTIN *CM*

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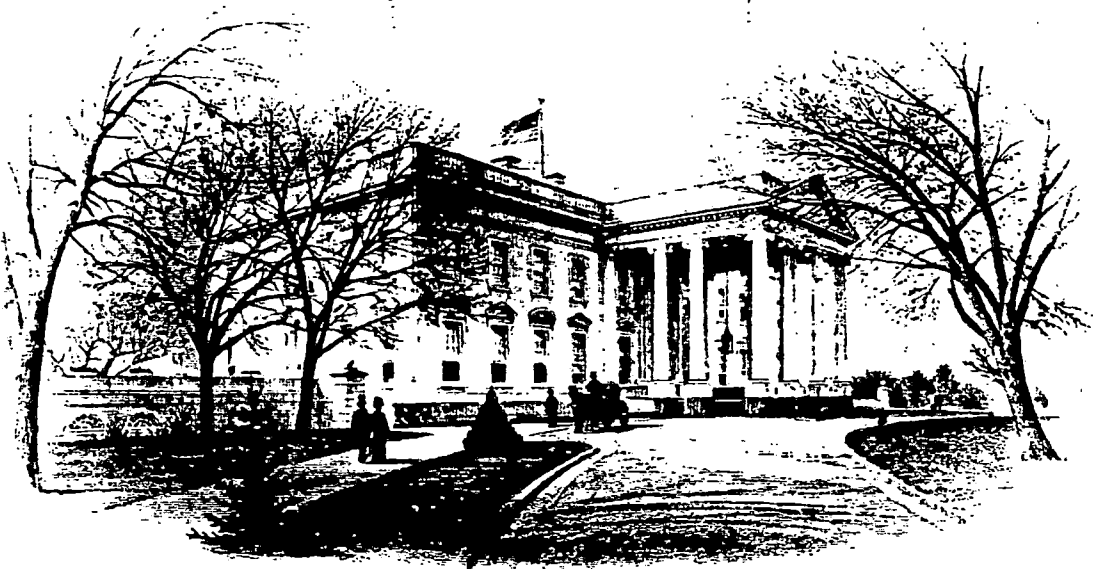
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FROM: ROGER PORTER *RBP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: President's Committee on
Employment of People with Disabilities

As you requested, I have reviewed the draft of the President's remarks to the President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities and have only one comment.

The sentence that reads, "I look forward to signing the Americans with Disabilities Act" (page 2, paragraph 2) may need to be clarified as a result of our ongoing negotiations in anticipation of the bill's markup tomorrow.

cc: James W. Cicconi

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As I said almost two years ago, it is time -- past time -- that people with disabilities are included in the mainstream of American life. As members of a community who are actively involved in employment of the disabled issues, I don't have to tell you that we face many difficulties. More than two thirds of our fellow citizens with disabilities of working age are unemployed. That is intolerable. Much of that unemployment stems from a lack of opportunity. ADA will form the foundation for policies and programs that can create opportunities for Americans with disabilities to find and hold jobs, and to enjoy

the income and satisfaction that productive participation in society brings to all of us. No longer can we allow ignorance or prejudice to deny opportunities to millions of Americans with disabilities.

We recognize your right to equal opportunity. We need your abilities and skills. We welcome you -- the disabled -- into the mainstream of American life, because it is your life as well as ours.

Every American should be able to join the workforce to the fullest extent of their abilities. Total access to society as well as personal and economic independence for the disabled is an important goal of this Administration. And I am hopeful that the House of Representatives will take action soon on the ADA, just as their counterparts in the Senate did last September. I look forward to signing the Americans with Disabilities Act. Disabled Americans have waited long enough for equality.

This morning, I have the pleasure of sharing the stage with some truly exemplary Americans. I wish I had to time to introduce each of them because their efforts are certainly outstanding. However, there is one individual who deserves special mention. His name is David Schwartzkopf. As you saw in the video, David has overcome some extremely tough obstacles -- cerebral palsy, legal blindness, early misdiagnosis -- to become "a completely mainstreamed professional in a high-technology industry." Not content to merely be successful in his professional career, David is out in society doing all he can to

help other disabled Americans over some big hurdles. His inventions have helped visually impaired people enter the workforce; his speeches have inspired management to re-think their hiring practices; and his consulting is helping to bring about equal opportunities. David gives meaning to the words dignity and independence. So it is with great pleasure that I present you with the President's Trophy proclaiming you the 1990 Disabled American of the Year. Congratulations.

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