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THE WHITE HOUSE

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November 28, 1990

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
IN SIGNING CEREMONY FOR
NATIONAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING ACT

The East Room

2:05 P.M. EST

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you all very much for being here today. And, of course, it's great to be with our enthusiastic and effective Secretary of HUD, Jack Kemp, who deserves great credit for what we're about to do here. And, of course, I want to salute the members of Congress -- they've been so helpful and instrumental in this -- who are with us today. I see Kit Bond and Al D'Amato was to be -- they're sitting there. I want to thank, particularly, the Chairmen of the Banking Committees -- Senator Reigle and Congressman Henry B. Gonzalez for their work on this. I'm told that their counterparts, Jake Garn and Chalmers Willie are not with us today, the ranking Republicans on the Committee; but I also want to thank them for their remarkable efforts.

I understand that some mayors are in town -- quite a few mayors and other local elected officials are with us, and I want to welcome them to the White House. I'm told that Kimi Gray is here, over here. And Kimi, you're kind of symbol of hope for the aspirations of a lot of people, and I'm just delighted you're here with us today.

Now, let me start with a story, a bit of history. In 1862, the middle of the Civil War. And on May 20th of that year, Abraham Lincoln sat down with pen in hand and signed into law the Homestead Act of 1862. And that bill gave 160 acres to any family who wanted to make a go of it in the wilderness and reach for the American dream.

It is one of the most successful endeavors in American history -- causing the great land rush to the Wild West -- and forming the vision for a new homesteading program in urban America today. Because Abraham Lincoln's Homestead Act empowered people, it freed people from the burden of poverty, it freed them to control their own destinies, to create their own opportunities, and to live the vision of the American dream. Likewise today, creating the opportunity for low-income Americans to become property owners is a key to fighting poverty and offering real hope to thousands.

I've said before that a cornerstone of our effort to reduce the heavy hand of government is this idea of empowering people -- not bureaucracies. And giving people -- working people, poor people, everyone -- control over their own lives and access to property and jobs, so that all Americans can have a life of dignity, responsibility and economic opportunity. Secretary Kemp has long been a champion of this idea, and that's why I have appointed him as Chairman of the Domestic Policy Council's Economic Empowerment Task Force.

The status quo of centralized bureaucracy is not working for the people -- the ones who need affordable housing, the ones who want to choose the best schools for their kids or child care for their younger children; the ones who want to pull themselves out of dependency and into a life of self-sufficiency in a safe, clean and drug-free community. It's the people who have the best answers for

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themselves and their families, not the government.

And that's exactly what the National Affordable Housing Act that I'm about to sign here does in several ways: it puts power in the hands of people. First, it authorizes a major administration initiative: Homeownership and Opportunity for People Everywhere -- the HOPE Initiative. HOPE will provide new opportunities for low-income families to buy their own homes -- urban homesteaders, if you will -- and helps the residents of public housing to buy their own units. Tenant management, control, and ultimately ownership of public housing is an idea whose time has come. And let me just tell you why:

When the people who live in public housing are in charge, the results are remarkable: more people pay their rent, maintenance improves, operating costs decline, and crime rates plummet, employment goes up, more kids stay in school, and neighborhoods spring back to life. And the reason? Because each resident simply now has a stake in society -- an equity stake -- a chance to make a go of it, and to live the American dream themselves.

We want public housing to become a springboard for independence, not a bottomless pit for dependency. HUD used to be asked to give awards for public housing residents who stayed in public housing the longest, and we stopped doing that. Jack made a significant change there. And now -- and even more so with this bill -- we're offering incentives to public housing tenants who move out and move up -- into the productive economic mainstream. These are the people who will help us meet our goal of one million new homeowners by 1992.

But there's more. This bill contains Home Investment Partnerships, a new block grant to provide incentives to states, localities and nonprofit organizations to provide people who currently rent with vouchers, tenant-based assistance and rehabilitation of existing housing -- because affordable housing is in everybody's interest. And, in addition to housing assistance for migrant farm workers, the elderly and the disabled, this legislation also creates the Shelter Plus Care Program -- to assist homeless persons who are mentally ill, who have a drug abuse problem, or other problems -- to give them the support they need to keep them from returning to a desolate life on the streets.

Finally, it reforms certain programs in the FHA -- in the Federal Housing Administration to make them more financially sound. The National Affordable Housing Act gives people the best kind of government assistance: it provides opportunity and it encourages responsibility without the shackles of dependency. And that is really the American dream -- for no matter where people live or how much money they have, all people yearn to control their own lives. Abraham Lincoln knew this, and his vision lives on today as the foundation for our efforts to empower all Americans.

And so it is with that in mind -- the undying ideal of hope and opportunity for all -- that I am pleased to sign this bill into law.

And, once again, I want to thank each and member of Congress who has worked hard on this legislation, particularly the two Chairmen that are with us today. And, of course, again, my respects for his leadership, to Jack Kemp, the Secretary of HUD. Thank you all for joining us today.

And now, if I can lift it up, I'll sign it. (Laughter and applause.)

(The Act is signed.)

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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
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November 27, 1990

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: CHRISS WINSTON *CW*
FROM: MARY KATE GRANT *MKG*
SUBJECT: NATIONAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING ACT
 SIGNING CEREMONY

I. SUMMARY

Attached are draft remarks for the National Affordable Housing Act signing ceremony, to be held in the East Room on Wednesday, November 28 at 2:00 p.m.

II. DISCUSSION

Your remarks (8 minutes/speechcards) cite this legislation as part of our agenda for empowering people. In the audience will be Secretary Kemp, Members of Congress, and a few mayors of smaller cities.

Grant/Blymire
November 27, 1990
5:00 p.m. A:HUDBILL

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**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: NATIONAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING ACT
BILL SIGNING CEREMONY
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MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

FROM: JIM PINKERTON 

SUBJECT: National Affordable Housing Act

A terrific draft. We particularly like the empowerment themes of giving people control over their own lives, reducing dependency, and the complementary concepts of opportunity and responsibility.

pg. 1, para. 2, line 4 "Because Abraham Lincoln's Homestead Act empowered people, it freed people from the burden of poverty and government dependency."

It's probably anachronistic to talk about government dependency in 1862. Instead, we suggest something like: "...it freed people from the burden of poverty; it freed them to control their own resources, make their own choices, create their own opportunities to live their vision of the American Dream."

We also suggest the following formulation emphasizing the empowerment notion of treating people as assets: "Lincoln saw that the millions of Americans lacking any wealth or privilege ought not to be treated as liabilities but as assets. He took his conception literally: he saw that people are assets so he gave them assets: assets worth 160 acres in new opportunity. That is the essence of the empowerment agenda to which we rededicate ourselves today: Let us change the pre-conception that the poor are liabilities to a positive vision of people as assets -- as opportunities-in-waiting."

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REMARKS:

Please forward any comments directly to Chriss Winston, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 2:00 PM, Tuesday, November 27, with a copy to my office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

See Comments. Thanks.

Holly Williamson

11-27-90

P.S. - Kemp thought the speech was great.

James W. Cicconi
Assistant to the President
and Deputy to the Chief of Staff
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speech. Max.

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MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

FROM:

ROGER B. PORTER

RBP

SUBJECT:

Presidential Remarks: National Affordable
Housing Act

Solid set of remarks with appropriate emphasis on empowerment. As noted on page one of the draft, empowerment is a cornerstone of our domestic agenda, not the cornerstone.

We have noted other suggestions on the attached draft.

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

cc: James W. Cicconi

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MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISS WINSTON

FROM: JIM PINKERTON

SUBJECT: National Affordable Housing Act

A terrific draft. We particularly like the empowerment themes of giving people control over their own lives, reducing dependency, and the complementary concepts of opportunity and responsibility.

pg. 1, para. 2, line 4 "Because Abraham Lincoln's Homestead Act empowered people, it freed people from the burden of poverty and government dependency."

It's probably anachronistic to talk about government dependency in 1862. Instead, we suggest something like: "...it freed people from the burden of poverty; it freed them to control their own resources, make their own choices, create their own opportunities to live their vision of the American Dream."

We also suggest the following formulation emphasizing the empowerment notion of treating people as assets: "Lincoln saw that the millions of Americans lacking any wealth or privilege ought not to be treated as liabilities but as assets. He took his conception literally: he saw that people are assets so he gave them assets: assets worth 160 acres in new opportunity. That is the essence of the empowerment agenda to which we rededicate ourselves today: Let us change the pre-conception that the poor are liabilities to a positive vision of people as assets -- as opportunities-in-waiting."

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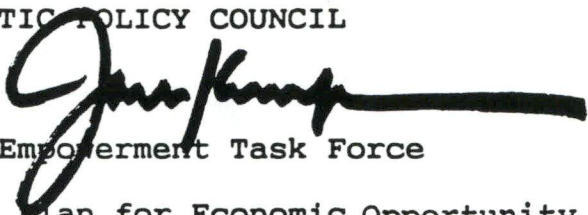
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DOMESTIC POLICY COUNCIL

FROM: JACK KEMP
Chairman
Economic Empowerment Task Force



SUBJECT: An Action Plan for Economic Opportunity and Empowerment

BACKGROUND:

On August 6, 1990, the President approved a DPC decision memorandum on the Administration's low income opportunity strategy creating the Economic Empowerment Task Force.

The mission of the Task Force is to outline an entrepreneurial, market-oriented war against poverty. We can dramatically change behavior by changing expectations and attitudes about the future. People with access to property, jobs, and quality education have a stake in their community, more pride, and greater incentive for productive human and social behavior. Most of all, poor people with new and abundant economic opportunity have hope for the future, our greatest weapon against poverty and despair.

The Task Force believes that the problems in our inner cities and poverty areas cry out for audacious solutions. As President Bush said, we know what works to solve poverty -- freedom works. Freedom, free markets, free enterprise, private property, and homeownership are the most powerful tools in history to expand opportunity. There is nothing new about free enterprise principles. What must be new is an audacious determination to offer solutions, to break down barriers to opportunity, and to reject status quo thinking.

The Task Force believes that progress in ending poverty begins by rejecting the idea that wealth is static, fairness means redistributionism, and poverty is perpetual. Solving poverty does not mean green-eye shade thinking about "resource allocation" and "better administration." Expanding economic growth and entrepreneurialism will generate positive returns to the Federal, State, and local governments and help make our nation a model of democratic capitalism to the world.

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FROM: CAROL BLYMIRE *CMB*

SUBJECT: FACT-CHECKING CHANGES

The following are suggestions for changes in the National Affordable Housing Act Signing Ceremony:

- Page 1, para. 1, 1862 reference; The Civil War began in 1861 and officially ended in 1865. Is it safe to say that 1862 is the middle?
- Page 1, para. 2, land rush reference; The only reference I could find concerning the great land rush was that of Manifest Destiny during the Expansion Era. I suppose it is safe to say that the Homestead Act caused it, since had there not been free land, not many people would have gone.
- Page 3, para. 1, regarding HUD awards; I suggest inserting the word "have" between "They" and "stopped" in the first started sentence on that page.
- Page 3, para. 3, second sentence; all men year...? I'm not really a feminist, and that caught my eye, especially because it follows a sentence about money. Just something to think about.
- Page 4, para. 1, Pretoria reference; John Gardner brought up something interesting with Mary Kate. He thinks we should avoid using Pretoria because of the racial implications we may face. He suggested Soweto instead. He also seemed to think that someone else would say something in staffing, so just a heads-up on that.
- We are still waiting to find out from Archives whether or not Lincoln signed the Homestead Act here at The White House (page 1). The book we need to find that out is under lock and key in the Roosevelt Room, so we're also waiting for them to find the key for the book cabinet.
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90 OCT 27 WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 11/26/90 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 11/27/90 2:00 PM

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: NATIONAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING ACT

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Please forward any comments directly to Chriss Winston, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 2:00 PM, Tuesday, November 27, with a copy to my office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

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

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