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RESPONSE: No comment.

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RESPONSE:

MEMORANDUM FOR TONY SNOW

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Brent Scowcroft

PHILLIP D. BRADY
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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

91 OCT 4 P5:00

DATE: 10/4/91 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: MONDAY, 10/7/91 10:00am

SUBJECT: SCRIPTS FOR VIDEOTAPING SESSION - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

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REMARKS:

Please forward your comments directly to Tony Snow, Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 10:00 a.m., MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, with a copy to this office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

No changes.

PHILLIP D. BRADY
 Assistant to the President
 and Staff Secretary
 Ext. 2702

(Hinchliffe)

PRESIDENTIAL VIDEO: SHEET METAL AND AIR CONDITIONING CONTRACTORS'
91 OCT 4 All 44 NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (SMACNA) CONVENTION

I'm delighted to have the chance to address SMACNA's (SMACK-na) 48th National Convention -- and to welcome you to the great state of Texas. SMACNA has a strong tradition of standing tall for the best American values. In the workplace, you've always led in first-rate construction using state-of-the-art methods. In the nation, you've set an important example by playing an active role in Senate and House campaigns -- your Political Action Committee's support of challengers is the only way to ensure the American people have a choice when they go to vote.

And SMACNA has always known the importance of legislative and political activism. Bob Lautenbach (LAW-ten-bach) met with Lynn Martin, my Secretary of Labor, and discussed your concerns about worker training and job safety. I know Ernie Menold (MEN-old), who'll be taking over for Bob, shares my intense commitment to quality construction through technological advances, training, and hard work. Those are the ethics that made our country great -- and which will carry us proudly into the 21st century.

We face tremendous challenges. We must guarantee contractors like you have a competitive marketplace in which to conduct business. We must ensure the workplace is fair and safe for all Americans. We must focus on solid education so that skilled workers are available for complex work. With you continued support, involvement and commitment -- we can do all of this together, and plan for a future that is brilliant and

secure. Best wishes for a successful convention -- and God bless
you all.

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(Hinchliffe)

PRESIDENTIAL VIDEO: ANNUAL MEETING OF INDEPENDENT SECTOR

I'm proud to have this chance to address Independent Sector's Annual Meeting -- because you are the heart of a powerful part of our country. I wish I could tell each one of you in person that you have my admiration, respect and deep gratitude for what you're doing: launching an American renewal, one human being at a time. By volunteering, and inspiring others to do likewise, you truly show this nation "the better angels of our nature."

You and your groups realize the best way to guide our destinies is to address problems in our own communities. You are Points of Light because you shine as beacons of hope through the dark, dreamless sleep of despair. You address the problems this nation fears -- and you do it with courage. Seeing all of you together inspires us to believe that through the combined light generated by small acts of consequence -- we can dissolve the darkness.

We can do it because each community has people of good minds and good hearts -- each able to grab a different strand and begin unraveling the social challenge. Every school, religious group, business, and organization in this country has the responsibility to lead its members toward the light of service. You can return to your groups and spread that light. Then, together, we will find a way to unite this country not through our fears, but through our dreams. Thanks to Gene Dorsey, Mel Cathcart, my

friends on the Points of Light Board, Norm Brown and Brian O'Connell, and to everyone there. God bless you all.

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(Duggan/Simon)
October 4, 1991
Draft Two
Pentecostal

PRESIDENTIAL VIDEO: PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

It is a pleasure to greet the thousands of men and women gathered for the 67th General Conference of the United Pentecostal Church International.

This is a momentous time for church leaders, and for men and women of faith everywhere. We stand at the most hopeful moment for worldwide religious freedom since Lenin began his terrible experiment in atheistic dictatorship almost three-quarters of a century ago. The events of August in Moscow proved that a prayer on the lips of a single grandmother can carry more power than thousands of troops and tanks and guns.

Like you, I thank God for the bright developments in what used to be Moscow's Marxist empire. But we recognize that the struggle is not won everywhere. Hundreds of millions of persons in the world still suffer denial of basic freedoms to preach and pray and practice their faith.

We'll keep on working for fundamental human rights and values -- not just abroad, but here at home, too. We'll continue our efforts to protect the lives of the unborn and to keep families healthy and whole, and to improve the quality and character of our children's education.

Barbara and I send our prayers and best wishes for the success of your conference. May God bless you all, and God bless the United States of America.

(Duggan/Simon)
October 4, 1991
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Alaska

PRESIDENTIAL VIDEO: ALASKA NATIVES

It is a pleasure to greet delegates to the annual convention of the Alaska Federation of Natives. I want to congratulate the Federation on its 25th anniversary, and to commend your excellent work in helping implement the historic Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, enacted twenty years ago.

We have entered a promising era, in which we can look beyond the old history of excessive dependence on the Federal Government. Today, Alaska Natives and the Federal Government are moving forward toward a permanent relationship of understanding and trust. This relationship forms the cornerstone of our Administration's policy of fostering tribal self-government and self-determination.

I was especially pleased to sign into law the bill creating a joint federal-state commission on programs and policies affecting Alaska Natives. The commission will examine such matters of concern as health, education and social service needs. Through all of our efforts, we seek nothing less than a new beginning for Alaska's Native people.

I want to thank Alaska Natives for your participation in our great democracy. Barbara and I wish you all the best in years to come. May God bless each and every one of you.

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McGroarty
October 3, 1991
[MADD]

PRESIDENTIAL VIDEO MESSAGE: MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING

It is my pleasure to pass along my best wishes on the 10th Anniversary of Mothers Against Drunk Driving. Barbara and I are delighted to serve as Honorary Chairpersons for this special celebration. //

MADD's mission these ten years has been to make the public realize that deaths caused by drunk driving are no accident. Every time a drunk or drugged driver gets behind the wheel -- innocent people become potential victims of violent crime.

MADD has grown from modest beginnings -- from a few concerned individuals -- to a dedicated army of more than three million volunteers. And MADD has made a difference. Since MADD began ten years ago, alcohol-related traffic deaths have decreased about twenty percent. Get behind the statistics for a moment and think about what that means: 41,000 tragedies that didn't happen. 41,000 lives saved. //

Just over a week from now, MADD will begin this year's Red Ribbon America campaign. When we see that car with the red ribbon on the antenna, we will know that one more person has drawn the line against drunk driving. In the months ahead, I hope we'll see millions more red ribbons. Let's make this holiday season a safe and sober one on America's roads. / Thank you -- and God bless you.

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McGroarty
October 3, 1991
[PARKS]

PRESIDENTIAL VIDEO MESSAGE: CONGRESS FOR RECREATION AND PARKS

It is my pleasure to pass along my best wishes to all of you active in the 1991 Congress for Recreation and Parks. It might just be the one time all year someone catches all of you indoors.

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Although the idea was born abroad, there's something deeply democratic -- something altogether ^e American -- about the concept of public parks. Nature must never be the special preserve of a few -- and public parks extend to every American a chance to enjoy the great outdoors. In that spirit, let me commend every member of your association -- professionals and volunteers alike -- for the special work you've done to open access to our nation's parks to Americans with disabilities. //

I know this year's Congress focuses on "Gateways and Greenways in an Urban Environment." In cities across the country, you've helped spark a recreational renaissance amid the sidewalks and skyscrapers. / Maybe you're looking for a place to hike or jog, fish, boat, bike or play your favorite sport -- and there are days when I've done them all. Maybe you're just looking for a quiet spot away from the hustle and bustle -- a patch of green grass where you can lie down and look at the clouds. Well, because of you, "ribbons of green" adorn our cities from Yakima, Washington to Stowe, Vermont.

Urban parks and recreation areas remind us "the environment" isn't just a place we visit on weekends. They encourage health

and fitness -- they create recreational alternatives for our kids. And one more thing: for young and old alike, America's parks provide pure pleasure. //

Once again, my thanks to you for the work you are doing -- bringing nature's beauty back into our cities, and creating healthy, recreational opportunities for all Americans.

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VIDEO SCRIPT: HISPANIC ENGINEER AWARDS

It's a pleasure to be able to join you today -- through the wonder of video technology -- for the Third Annual Hispanic Engineer Achievement Awards Conference.

America's engineers and scientists are leading the way toward new technologies that build our competitiveness abroad and our excellence at home. Tonight's award winners are on the cutting edge of making the American Dream a reality for so many others who follow them. Congratulations to each of you.

We want to build on your successes -- and continue to promote the educational and economic advances of all Americans. Our America 2000 initiative will enable Hispanic communities to draw upon their tradition of strong values and hard work as we seek to reinvent American schools.

We've all read the heartwarming stories and seen the inspiring results when teachers like Jaime Escalante encourage minority students to explore the fascinating world of math and science. To open that world to even more students, I'm relying on the President's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for Hispanic Americans. Its important work will help unleash a revolution in American education and create a new generation of schools.

Tonight's Award winners are not only some of America's top professionals, you are an important part of our Nation's Hispanic-American culture -- a culture built on love of family

and faith in our Nation. Your example is a good one for our young people -- they can learn much not only from your accomplishments in engineering, but from your unflagging determination, and your vision of a better tomorrow.

For that, you have our admiration. Barbara and I send our heartiest congratulations for a job well done. Thank you and God bless the United States of America.

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LIKE YOU, I THANK GOD FOR THE BRIGHT DEVELOPMENTS IN WHAT USED TO BE MOSCOW'S MARXIST EMPIRE. BUT WE RECOGNIZE THAT THE STRUGGLE IS NOT WON EVERYWHERE. HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF PERSONS IN THE WORLD STILL SUFFER DENIAL OF BASIC FREEDOMS TO PREACH AND PRAY AND PRACTICE THEIR FAITH.

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EDUCATION.

BARBARA AND I SEND OUR PRAYERS AND BEST WISHES FOR
THE SUCCESS OF YOUR CONFERENCE. MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL,
AND GOD BLESS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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ANNUAL MEETING OF INDEPENDENT SECTOR

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YOU ARE POINTS OF LIGHT BECAUSE YOU SHINE AS BEACONS OF HOPE FOR MANY OTHERS. YOU COURAGEOUSLY ADDRESS OUR NATION'S PROBLEMS AT THE MOST IMPORTANT LEVEL -- IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THE THEME OF YOUR MEETING THIS YEAR -- COLLABORATION, IS ESPECIALLY APPROPRIATE. SEEING ALL OF YOU TOGETHER INSPIRES US TO BELIEVE THAT THROUGH THE COMBINED LIGHT GENERATED BY SMALL ACTS OF CONSEQUENCE -- WE CAN DISSOLVE THE DARKNESS.

WE CAN DO IT BECAUSE EACH COMMUNITY HAS PEOPLE OF GOOD MINDS AND GOOD HEARTS -- EACH ABLE TO GRAB A DIFFERENT STRAND AND BEGIN UNRAVELING THE SOCIAL CHALLENGE. EVERY SCHOOL, RELIGIOUS GROUP, BUSINESS, AND INSTITUTION IN THIS COUNTRY HAS THE RESPONSIBILITY TO LEAD ITS MEMBERS TOWARD THE LIGHT OF SERVICE. YOU CAN RETURN TO YOUR ORGANIZATIONS AND SPREAD THAT LIGHT. THEN, WORKING TOGETHER, WE WILL FIND A WAY TO UNITE THIS COUNTRY NOT THROUGH OUR FEARS, BUT THROUGH OUR DREAMS. THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

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SHEET METAL AND AIR CONDITIONING CONTRACTORS' NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION (SMACNA) CONVENTION

I'M DELIGHTED TO HAVE THE CHANCE TO ADDRESS
SMACNA'S (SMACK-NA) 48TH NATIONAL CONVENTION -- AND TO
WELCOME YOU TO THE GREAT STATE OF TEXAS. SMACNA HAS A
STRONG TRADITION OF STANDING TALL FOR THE BEST AMERICAN
VALUES. IN THE WORKPLACE, YOU'VE ALWAYS LED IN FIRST-
RATE CONSTRUCTION USING STATE-OF-THE-ART METHODS. IN
THE NATION, YOU'VE SET AN IMPORTANT EXAMPLE BY PLAYING
AN ACTIVE ROLE IN SENATE AND HOUSE CAMPAIGNS -- YOUR
POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE'S SUPPORT OF CHALLENGERS IS
THE ONLY WAY TO ENSURE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE HAVE A
CHOICE WHEN THEY GO TO VOTE.

AND SMACNA HAS ALWAYS KNOWN THE IMPORTANCE OF
LEGISLATIVE AND POLITICAL ACTIVISM. BOB LAUTENBACH
(LAW-TEN-BACH) MET WITH LYNN MARTIN, MY SECRETARY OF
LABOR, AND DISCUSSED YOUR CONCERNS ABOUT WORKER
TRAINING AND JOB SAFETY. I KNOW ERNIE MENOLD (MEN-
OLD), WHO'LL BE TAKING OVER FOR BOB, SHARES MY INTENSE
COMMITMENT TO QUALITY CONSTRUCTION THROUGH
TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES, TRAINING, AND HARD WORK. THOSE
ARE THE ETHICS THAT MADE OUR COUNTRY GREAT -- AND WHICH
WILL CARRY US PROUDLY INTO THE 21ST CENTURY.

WE FACE TREMENDOUS CHALLENGES. WE MUST GUARANTEE CONTRACTORS LIKE YOU HAVE A COMPETITIVE MARKETPLACE IN WHICH TO CONDUCT BUSINESS. WE MUST ENSURE THE WORKPLACE IS FAIR AND SAFE FOR ALL AMERICANS. WE MUST FOCUS ON SOLID EDUCATION SO THAT SKILLED WORKERS ARE AVAILABLE FOR COMPLEX WORK. WITH YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT, INVOLVEMENT AND COMMITMENT -- WE CAN DO ALL OF THIS TOGETHER, AND PLAN FOR A FUTURE THAT IS BRILLIANT AND SECURE. BEST WISHES FOR A SUCCESSFUL CONVENTION -- AND GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

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HISPANIC ENGINEER AWARDS

IT'S A PLEASURE TO BE ABLE TO JOIN YOU TODAY --
THROUGH THE WONDER OF VIDEO TECHNOLOGY -- FOR THE THIRD
ANNUAL HISPANIC ENGINEER ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS CONFERENCE.

AMERICA'S ENGINEERS AND SCIENTISTS ARE LEADING THE
WAY TOWARD NEW TECHNOLOGIES THAT BUILD OUR
COMPETITIVENESS ABROAD AND OUR EXCELLENCE AT HOME.
TONIGHT'S AWARD WINNERS ARE ON THE CUTTING EDGE OF
MAKING THE AMERICAN DREAM A REALITY FOR SO MANY OTHERS
WHO FOLLOW THEM. CONGRATULATIONS TO EACH OF YOU.

WE WANT TO BUILD ON YOUR SUCCESSES -- AND CONTINUE
TO PROMOTE THE EDUCATIONAL AND ECONOMIC ADVANCES OF ALL
AMERICANS. OUR AMERICA 2000 INITIATIVE WILL ENABLE
HISPANIC COMMUNITIES TO DRAW UPON THEIR TRADITION OF
STRONG VALUES AND HARD WORK AS WE SEEK TO REINVENT
AMERICAN SCHOOLS.

WE'VE ALL READ THE HEARTWARMING STORIES AND SEEN THE INSPIRING RESULTS WHEN TEACHERS LIKE JAIME ESCALANTE ENCOURAGE MINORITY STUDENTS TO EXPLORE THE FASCINATING WORLD OF MATH AND SCIENCE. TO OPEN THAT WORLD TO EVEN MORE STUDENTS, I'M RELYING ON THE PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY COMMISSION ON EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE FOR HISPANIC AMERICANS. ITS IMPORTANT WORK WILL HELP UNLEASH A REVOLUTION IN AMERICAN EDUCATION AND CREATE A NEW GENERATION OF SCHOOLS.

TONIGHT'S AWARD WINNERS ARE NOT ONLY SOME OF AMERICA'S TOP PROFESSIONALS, YOU ARE AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR NATION'S HISPANIC-AMERICAN CULTURE -- A CULTURE BUILT ON LOVE OF FAMILY AND FAITH IN OUR NATION. YOUR EXAMPLE IS A GOOD ONE FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE -- THEY CAN LEARN MUCH NOT ONLY FROM YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN ENGINEERING, BUT FROM YOUR UNFLAGGING DETERMINATION, AND YOUR VISION OF A BETTER TOMORROW.

FOR THAT, YOU HAVE OUR ADMIRATION. BARBARA AND I SEND OUR HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS FOR A JOB WELL DONE. THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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ALASKA NATIVES

IT IS A PLEASURE TO GREET DELEGATES TO THE ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE ALASKA FEDERATION OF NATIVES. I WANT TO CONGRATULATE THE FEDERATION ON ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY, AND TO COMMEND YOUR EXCELLENT WORK IN HELPING IMPLEMENT THE HISTORIC ALASKA NATIVE CLAIMS SETTLEMENT ACT, ENACTED TWENTY YEARS AGO.

WE HAVE ENTERED A PROMISING ERA, IN WHICH WE CAN LOOK BEYOND THE OLD HISTORY OF EXCESSIVE DEPENDENCE ON THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. TODAY, ALASKA NATIVES AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ARE MOVING FORWARD TOWARD A PERMANENT RELATIONSHIP OF UNDERSTANDING AND TRUST. THIS RELATIONSHIP FORMS THE CORNERSTONE OF OUR ADMINISTRATION'S POLICY OF FOSTERING TRIBAL SELF-GOVERNMENT AND SELF-DETERMINATION.

I WAS ESPECIALLY PLEASED TO SIGN INTO LAW THE BILL CREATING A JOINT FEDERAL-STATE COMMISSION ON PROGRAMS AND POLICIES AFFECTING ALASKA NATIVES. THE COMMISSION WILL EXAMINE SUCH MATTERS OF CONCERN AS HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICE NEEDS. I WANT TO THANK ALASKA NATIVES FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN OUR GREAT DEMOCRACY. BARBARA AND I WISH YOU ALL THE BEST IN YEARS TO COME. MAY GOD BLESS EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU.

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CONGRESS FOR RECREATION AND PARKS

IT IS MY PLEASURE TO PASS ALONG MY BEST WISHES TO ALL OF YOU ACTIVE IN THE 1991 CONGRESS FOR RECREATION AND PARKS. IT MIGHT JUST BE THE ONE TIME ALL YEAR SOMEONE CATCHES ALL OF YOU INDOORS. //

ALTHOUGH THE IDEA WAS BORN ABROAD, THERE'S SOMETHING DEEPLY DEMOCRATIC -- SOMETHING ALTOGETHER AMERICAN -- ABOUT THE CONCEPT OF PUBLIC PARKS. NATURE MUST NEVER BE THE SPECIAL PRESERVE OF A FEW -- AND PUBLIC PARKS EXTEND TO EVERY AMERICAN A CHANCE TO ENJOY THE GREAT OUTDOORS. IN THAT SPIRIT, LET ME COMMEND EVERY MEMBER OF YOUR ASSOCIATION -- PROFESSIONALS AND VOLUNTEERS ALIKE -- FOR THE SPECIAL WORK YOU'VE DONE TO OPEN ACCESS TO OUR NATION'S PARKS TO AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES. //

I KNOW THIS YEAR'S CONGRESS FOCUSES ON "GATEWAYS AND GREENWAYS IN AN URBAN ENVIRONMENT." IN CITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY, YOU'VE HELPED SPARK A RECREATIONAL RENAISSANCE AMID THE SIDEWALKS AND SKYSCRAPERS. I AM INSPIRED BY THE CREATIVITY OF CITIZENS AND COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE BONDED TOGETHER TO VOLUNTARILY CREATE GREENWAYS. / MAYBE YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A PLACE TO HIKE OR JOG, FISH, BOAT, BIKE OR PLAY YOUR FAVORITE SPORT -- AND THERE ARE DAYS WHEN I'VE DONE THEM ALL. MAYBE YOU'RE JUST LOOKING FOR A QUIET SPOT AWAY FROM THE HUSTLE AND BUSTLE -- A PATCH OF GREEN GRASS WHERE YOU CAN LIE DOWN AND LOOK AT THE CLOUDS. WELL, BECAUSE OF YOU, "RIBBONS OF GREEN" ADORN OUR CITIES FROM YAKIMA, WASHINGTON TO STOWE, VERMONT.

URBAN PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS REMIND US "THE ENVIRONMENT" ISN'T JUST A PLACE WE VISIT ON WEEKENDS. THEY ENCOURAGE HEALTH AND FITNESS -- THEY CREATE RECREATIONAL ALTERNATIVES FOR OUR KIDS. AND ONE MORE THING: FOR YOUNG AND OLD ALIKE, AMERICA'S PARKS PROVIDE PURE PLEASURE. //

ONCE AGAIN, MY THANKS TO YOU FOR THE WORK YOU ARE
DOING -- BRINGING NATURE'S BEAUTY BACK INTO OUR CITIES,
AND CREATING HEALTHY, RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR
ALL AMERICANS.

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MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING

IT IS MY PLEASURE TO PASS ALONG MY BEST WISHES ON THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING. BARBARA AND I ARE DELIGHTED TO SERVE AS HONORARY CHAIRPERSONS FOR THIS SPECIAL CELEBRATION. //

MADD'S MISSION THESE TEN YEARS HAS BEEN TO MAKE THE PUBLIC REALIZE THAT DEATHS CAUSED BY DRUNK DRIVING ARE NO ACCIDENT. EVERY TIME A DRUNK OR DRUGGED DRIVER GETS BEHIND THE WHEEL -- INNOCENT PEOPLE BECOME POTENTIAL VICTIMS OF VIOLENT CRIME.

MADD HAS GROWN FROM MODEST BEGINNINGS -- FROM A FEW CONCERNED INDIVIDUALS -- TO A DEDICATED ARMY OF MORE THAN THREE MILLION VOLUNTEERS. AND MADD HAS MADE A DIFFERENCE. SINCE MADD BEGAN TEN YEARS AGO, ALCOHOL-RELATED TRAFFIC DEATHS HAVE DECREASED ABOUT TWENTY PERCENT. GET BEHIND THE STATISTICS FOR A MOMENT AND THINK ABOUT WHAT THAT MEANS: TENS OF THOUSANDS OF TRAGEDIES THAT DIDN'T HAPPEN. TENS OF THOUSANDS OF LIVES SAVED. //

JUST OVER A WEEK FROM NOW, MADD WILL BEGIN THIS YEAR'S RED RIBBON AMERICA CAMPAIGN. WHEN WE SEE THAT CAR WITH THE RED RIBBON ON THE ANTENNA, WE WILL KNOW THAT ONE MORE PERSON HAS DRAWN THE LINE AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING. IN THE MONTHS AHEAD, I HOPE WE'LL SEE MILLIONS MORE RED RIBBONS. LET'S MAKE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON A SAFE AND SOBER ONE ON AMERICA'S ROADS. / THANK YOU -- AND GOD BLESS YOU.

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I'M PROUD TO HAVE THIS CHANCE TO ADDRESS INDEPENDENT SECTOR'S ANNUAL MEETING -- BECAUSE YOU ARE THE HEART OF A POWERFUL PART OF OUR COUNTRY. I WISH I COULD TELL EACH ONE OF YOU IN PERSON THAT YOU HAVE MY ADMIRATION, RESPECT AND DEEP GRATITUDE FOR WHAT YOU'RE DOING: LAUNCHING AN AMERICAN RENEWAL, ONE HUMAN BEING AT A TIME. THROUGH THE "GIVE FIVE" CAMPAIGN, AND THROUGH THE EXAMPLE OF COMMUNITY SERVICE THAT EACH OF YOU SET, YOU TRULY SHOW THIS NATION "THE BETTER ANGELS OF OUR NATURE."

YOU ARE POINTS OF LIGHT BECAUSE YOU SHINE AS BEACONS OF HOPE FOR MANY OTHERS. YOU COURAGEOUSLY ADDRESS OUR NATION'S PROBLEMS AT THE MOST IMPORTANT LEVEL -- IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THE THEME OF YOUR MEETING THIS YEAR -- COLLABORATION, IS ESPECIALLY APPROPRIATE. SEEING ALL OF YOU TOGETHER INSPIRES US TO BELIEVE THAT THROUGH THE COMBINED LIGHT GENERATED BY SMALL ACTS OF CONSEQUENCE -- WE CAN DISSOLVE THE DARKNESS.

WE CAN DO IT BECAUSE EACH COMMUNITY HAS PEOPLE OF GOOD MINDS AND GOOD HEARTS -- EACH ABLE TO GRAB A DIFFERENT STRAND AND BEGIN UNRAVELING THE SOCIAL CHALLENGE. EVERY SCHOOL, RELIGIOUS GROUP, BUSINESS, AND INSTITUTION IN THIS COUNTRY HAS THE RESPONSIBILITY TO LEAD ITS MEMBERS TOWARD THE LIGHT OF SERVICE. YOU CAN RETURN TO YOUR ORGANIZATIONS AND SPREAD THAT LIGHT. THEN, WORKING TOGETHER, WE WILL FIND A WAY TO UNITE THIS COUNTRY NOT THROUGH OUR FEARS, BUT THROUGH OUR DREAMS. THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

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SHEET METAL AND AIR CONDITIONING CONTRACTORS' NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (SMACNA) CONVENTION

I'M DELIGHTED TO HAVE THE CHANCE TO ADDRESS SMACNA'S (~~SMACK~~-NA) 48TH NATIONAL CONVENTION -- AND TO WELCOME YOU TO THE GREAT STATE OF TEXAS. SMACNA HAS A STRONG TRADITION OF STANDING TALL FOR THE BEST AMERICAN VALUES. IN THE WORKPLACE, YOU'VE ALWAYS LED IN FIRST-RATE CONSTRUCTION USING STATE-OF-THE-ART METHODS. IN THE NATION, YOU'VE SET AN IMPORTANT EXAMPLE BY PLAYING AN ACTIVE ROLE IN SENATE AND HOUSE CAMPAIGNS -- YOUR ~~POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE'S~~ SUPPORT OF CHALLENGERS IS THE ONLY WAY TO ENSURE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE HAVE A CHOICE WHEN THEY GO TO VOTE.

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AND SMACNA HAS ALWAYS KNOWN THE IMPORTANCE OF LEGISLATIVE AND POLITICAL ACTIVISM. BOB LAUTENBACH (LAW-TEN-BACH) MET WITH LYNN MARTIN, MY SECRETARY OF LABOR, AND DISCUSSED YOUR CONCERNS ABOUT WORKER TRAINING AND JOB SAFETY. I KNOW ERNIE MENOLD (MEN-OLD), WHO'LL BE TAKING OVER FOR BOB, SHARES MY INTENSE COMMITMENT TO QUALITY CONSTRUCTION THROUGH TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES, TRAINING, AND HARD WORK. THOSE ARE THE ETHICS THAT MADE OUR COUNTRY GREAT -- AND WHICH WILL CARRY US PROUDLY INTO THE 21ST CENTURY.

WE FACE TREMENDOUS CHALLENGES. WE MUST GUARANTEE CONTRACTORS LIKE YOU HAVE A COMPETITIVE MARKETPLACE IN WHICH TO CONDUCT BUSINESS. WE MUST ENSURE THE WORKPLACE IS FAIR AND SAFE FOR ALL AMERICANS. WE MUST FOCUS ON SOLID EDUCATION SO THAT SKILLED WORKERS ARE AVAILABLE FOR COMPLEX WORK. WITH YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT, INVOLVEMENT AND COMMITMENT -- WE CAN DO ALL OF THIS TOGETHER, AND PLAN FOR A FUTURE THAT IS BRILLIANT AND SECURE. BEST WISHES FOR A SUCCESSFUL CONVENTION -- AND GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

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HISPANIC ENGINEER AWARDS

IT'S A PLEASURE TO BE ABLE TO JOIN YOU TODAY --
THROUGH THE WONDER OF VIDEO TECHNOLOGY -- FOR THE THIRD
ANNUAL HISPANIC ENGINEER ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS CONFERENCE.

AMERICA'S ENGINEERS AND SCIENTISTS ARE LEADING THE
WAY TOWARD NEW TECHNOLOGIES THAT BUILD OUR
COMPETITIVENESS ABROAD AND OUR EXCELLENCE AT HOME.
TONIGHT'S AWARD WINNERS ARE ON THE CUTTING EDGE OF
MAKING THE AMERICAN DREAM A REALITY FOR SO MANY OTHERS
WHO FOLLOW THEM. CONGRATULATIONS TO EACH OF YOU.

WE WANT TO BUILD ON YOUR SUCCESSES -- AND CONTINUE
TO PROMOTE THE EDUCATIONAL AND ECONOMIC ADVANCES OF ALL
AMERICANS. OUR AMERICA 2000 INITIATIVE WILL ENABLE
HISPANIC COMMUNITIES TO DRAW UPON THEIR TRADITION OF
STRONG VALUES AND HARD WORK AS WE SEEK TO REINVENT
AMERICAN SCHOOLS.

WE'VE ALL READ THE HEARTWARMING STORIES AND SEEN THE INSPIRING RESULTS WHEN TEACHERS LIKE JAIME ESCALANTE ENCOURAGE MINORITY STUDENTS TO EXPLORE THE FASCINATING WORLD OF MATH AND SCIENCE. TO OPEN THAT WORLD TO EVEN MORE STUDENTS, I'M RELYING ON THE PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY COMMISSION ON EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE FOR HISPANIC AMERICANS. ITS IMPORTANT WORK WILL HELP UNLEASH A REVOLUTION IN AMERICAN EDUCATION AND CREATE A NEW GENERATION OF SCHOOLS.

TONIGHT'S AWARD WINNERS ARE NOT ONLY SOME OF AMERICA'S TOP PROFESSIONALS, YOU ARE AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR NATION'S HISPANIC-AMERICAN CULTURE -- A CULTURE BUILT ON LOVE OF FAMILY AND FAITH IN OUR NATION. YOUR EXAMPLE IS A GOOD ONE FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE -- THEY CAN LEARN MUCH NOT ONLY FROM YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN ENGINEERING, BUT FROM YOUR UNFLAGGING DETERMINATION, AND YOUR VISION OF A BETTER TOMORROW.

FOR THAT, YOU HAVE OUR ADMIRATION. BARBARA AND I SEND OUR HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS FOR A JOB WELL DONE. THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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ALASKA NATIVES

IT IS A PLEASURE TO GREET DELEGATES TO THE ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE ALASKA FEDERATION OF NATIVES. I WANT TO CONGRATULATE THE FEDERATION ON ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY, AND TO COMMEND YOUR EXCELLENT WORK IN HELPING IMPLEMENT THE HISTORIC ALASKA NATIVE CLAIMS SETTLEMENT ACT, ENACTED TWENTY YEARS AGO.

WE HAVE ENTERED A PROMISING ERA, IN WHICH WE CAN LOOK BEYOND THE OLD HISTORY OF EXCESSIVE DEPENDENCE ON THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. TODAY, ALASKA NATIVES AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ARE MOVING FORWARD TOWARD A PERMANENT RELATIONSHIP OF UNDERSTANDING AND TRUST. THIS RELATIONSHIP FORMS THE CORNERSTONE OF OUR ADMINISTRATION'S POLICY OF FOSTERING TRIBAL SELF-GOVERNMENT AND SELF-DETERMINATION.

I WAS ESPECIALLY PLEASED TO SIGN INTO LAW THE BILL CREATING A JOINT FEDERAL-STATE COMMISSION ON PROGRAMS AND POLICIES AFFECTING ALASKA NATIVES. THE COMMISSION WILL EXAMINE SUCH MATTERS OF CONCERN AS HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICE NEEDS. I WANT TO THANK ALASKA NATIVES FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN OUR GREAT DEMOCRACY. BARBARA AND I WISH YOU ALL THE BEST IN YEARS TO COME. MAY GOD BLESS EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU.

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CONGRESS FOR RECREATION AND PARKS

IT IS MY PLEASURE TO PASS ALONG MY BEST WISHES TO ALL OF YOU ACTIVE IN THE 1991 CONGRESS FOR RECREATION AND PARKS. IT MIGHT JUST BE THE ONE TIME ALL YEAR SOMEONE CATCHES ALL OF YOU INDOORS. //

ALTHOUGH THE IDEA WAS BORN ABROAD, THERE'S SOMETHING DEEPLY DEMOCRATIC -- SOMETHING ALTOGETHER AMERICAN -- ABOUT THE CONCEPT OF PUBLIC PARKS. NATURE MUST NEVER BE THE SPECIAL PRESERVE OF A FEW -- AND PUBLIC PARKS EXTEND TO EVERY AMERICAN A CHANCE TO ENJOY THE GREAT OUTDOORS. IN THAT SPIRIT, LET ME COMMEND EVERY MEMBER OF YOUR ASSOCIATION -- PROFESSIONALS AND VOLUNTEERS ALIKE -- FOR THE SPECIAL WORK YOU'VE DONE TO OPEN ACCESS TO OUR NATION'S PARKS TO AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES. //

I KNOW THIS YEAR'S CONGRESS FOCUSES ON "GATEWAYS AND GREENWAYS IN AN URBAN ENVIRONMENT." IN CITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY, YOU'VE HELPED SPARK A RECREATIONAL RENAISSANCE AMID THE SIDEWALKS AND SKYSCRAPERS. I AM INSPIRED BY THE CREATIVITY OF CITIZENS AND COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE BONDED TOGETHER TO VOLUNTARILY CREATE GREENWAYS. / MAYBE YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A PLACE TO HIKE OR JOG, FISH, BOAT, BIKE OR PLAY YOUR FAVORITE SPORT -- AND THERE ARE DAYS WHEN I'VE DONE THEM ALL. MAYBE YOU'RE JUST LOOKING FOR A QUIET SPOT AWAY FROM THE HUSTLE AND BUSTLE -- A PATCH OF GREEN GRASS WHERE YOU CAN LIE DOWN AND LOOK AT THE CLOUDS. WELL, BECAUSE OF YOU, "RIBBONS OF GREEN" ADORN OUR CITIES FROM YAKIMA, WASHINGTON TO STOWE, VERMONT.

URBAN PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS REMIND US "THE ENVIRONMENT" ISN'T JUST A PLACE WE VISIT ON WEEKENDS. THEY ENCOURAGE HEALTH AND FITNESS -- THEY CREATE RECREATIONAL ALTERNATIVES FOR OUR KIDS. AND ONE MORE THING: FOR YOUNG AND OLD ALIKE, AMERICA'S PARKS PROVIDE PURE PLEASURE. //

ONCE AGAIN, MY THANKS TO YOU FOR THE WORK YOU ARE
DOING -- BRINGING NATURE'S BEAUTY BACK INTO OUR CITIES,
AND CREATING HEALTHY, RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR
ALL AMERICANS.

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MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING

IT IS MY PLEASURE TO PASS ALONG MY BEST WISHES ON THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF MOTHERS AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING. BARBARA AND I ARE DELIGHTED TO SERVE AS HONORARY CHAIRPERSONS FOR THIS SPECIAL CELEBRATION. //

MADD'S MISSION THESE TEN YEARS HAS BEEN TO MAKE THE PUBLIC REALIZE THAT DEATHS CAUSED BY DRUNK DRIVING ARE NO ACCIDENT. EVERY TIME A DRUNK OR DRUGGED DRIVER GETS BEHIND THE WHEEL -- INNOCENT PEOPLE BECOME POTENTIAL VICTIMS OF VIOLENT CRIME.

MADD HAS GROWN FROM MODEST BEGINNINGS -- FROM A FEW CONCERNED INDIVIDUALS -- TO A DEDICATED ARMY OF MORE THAN THREE MILLION VOLUNTEERS. AND MADD HAS MADE A DIFFERENCE. SINCE MADD BEGAN TEN YEARS AGO, ALCOHOL-RELATED TRAFFIC DEATHS HAVE DECREASED ABOUT TWENTY PERCENT. GET BEHIND THE STATISTICS FOR A MOMENT AND THINK ABOUT WHAT THAT MEANS: TENS OF THOUSANDS OF TRAGEDIES THAT DIDN'T HAPPEN. TENS OF THOUSANDS OF LIVES SAVED. //

JUST OVER A WEEK FROM NOW, MADD WILL BEGIN THIS YEAR'S RED RIBBON AMERICA CAMPAIGN. WHEN WE SEE THAT CAR WITH THE RED RIBBON ON THE ANTENNA, WE WILL KNOW THAT ONE MORE PERSON HAS DRAWN THE LINE AGAINST DRUNK DRIVING. IN THE MONTHS AHEAD, I HOPE WE'LL SEE MILLIONS MORE RED RIBBONS. LET'S MAKE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON A SAFE AND SOBER ONE ON AMERICA'S ROADS. / THANK YOU -- AND GOD BLESS YOU.

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