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Week Ending Friday, August 7, 1992

**Remarks at a Fundraising Brunch for
Rich Williamson in Rosemont,
Illinois**

August 2, 1992

Thank you all very, very much. What a wonderful welcome. And that makes me convinced that I'm going to win in November, too.

Let me thank Rich Williamson. And good morning and my respects to Jane, and of course, to Jim Edgar, who is just doing a superb job as Governor of this State. You ought to be very, very proud of him. Rich couldn't have a better man at his side than secretary of state George Ryan, longtime friend. I'm grateful also to the Lieutenant Governor, Bob Kustre, who was out there at the airport to say hello; and to the State's attorney, Jack O'Malley; my old friend Congressman Phil Crane, with us today. And if you want some heavy lifting done in the fundraising, get H. Clark involved. H., thank you very, very much for what you've done here. And also, I want to salute our State chairman Al Jourdan. And national committeewoman Mary Jo Arndt is here today. I see she brought some of her family with her; that's good.

It's great to be back here in Chicago. I was half tempted to call the Mayor while I'm in town. My guess is that he was pretty upset by his party's recent gathering in New York. He thought Chicago had the nickname "the Windy City." [Laughter]

But this afternoon, I want to tell you a story about a young girl, poor in pocket but rich in hope, who left her German village to come to America. She came in search of something larger than herself, a future for her children and for their children. Here in Chicago, she married another immigrant. She took in laundry; he sold clothes. They lived in a tiny apartment and never gave up hope that their daughter would have a better

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If that young woman I just told you about were here today, she would see how her sacrifice made the American dream come true for her grandson. She would see with pride that he stands here today, determined to make that dream come true for all of us, the sons and the daughters of Illinois, the whole country. Helen Salisbury would be proud to see the next Senator from Illinois, her grandson: Rich Williamson.

As he said, Rich and I go back a long way. Rich and his dog, Mac, knew Millie before she was a best-selling author. [Laughter] So I'm here out of friendship for a brilliant, dedicated leader. But I'm also here for what's good for the United States of America. I thought George Ryan put it very, very well when he spelled out what's at stake here because Rich's race and the race I'm involved in have a lot in common. If you really want to make a change in this country, let's change the institution that hasn't changed for 38 years and change control of the United States Congress. Rich can do a lot to help.

In the dog days of summer, it's very easy to be attracted to the new candidate, the one who says the things the polls say the people want to hear. But by the fall, the American people look more closely, and they ask this question, "Who do we trust to change America? Who has the ideas to carry us forward to a better future?"

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and I both believe that to lead a great Nation you must first trust the people you lead.

Look at the two sides in this election, and the choice is very clear. On one side you have people advocating a Nation of the Government, by the Government, for the Government. Rich and I have a very different philosophy. We agree with another son of Illinois: America should be a Nation "of the people, by the people, and for the people."

Let me just take one issue today, discuss one issue to show the Grand Canyon of philosophy that separates the two sides in this election. It is one of the most pressing concerns that we face today: I'm talking about health care. Our health care system doesn't work today. We all know that. Thirty-four million Americans are without insurance. Millions more worry that they cannot afford the rising costs of health care.

What are we going to do about it? Well, the other side and I have both put forward plans; you can look them over. I invite comparison. The other plan offers health care reform. My plan offers health care reform. The other plan is printed on plain white bond paper, and my plan is printed on plain white bond paper. From there the differences are wider than an Illinois cornfield.

The other plan will dump 52 million Americans into a new Government bureaucracy, and my plan will help 90 million Americans afford private insurance to take care of their health care needs. The other plan would slap at least a 7-percent payroll tax on middle-income Americans, and my plan would provide tax relief to Americans to help them pay for their own health care. The other plan will cost America at least 700,000 jobs, and my plan helps small business afford health insurance so they can hire more people. The other plan will create lines at hospitals so long you'll think they were selling Bears tickets inside. *[Laughter]* My plan will allow you to get the care you need when you need it, and my plan will preserve the quality of health care in this country. The other plan is going to put bureaucrats in charge of setting health care prices, and my plan attacks the root causes of rising costs: faulty insurance, too

much paperwork, far too many frivolous lawsuits out there.

Understand what's at stake here. If the Governor of Arkansas is elected with a Democratic Congress and a new Democratic Senator from Illinois, within a year the Government will run health care in this country. Our health care system will combine the efficiency of the House post office with the compassion of the KGB. I am not going to let that happen.

Give me Rich Williamson in the Senate, and we will fight against those who put the Government first all the time. We'll fight for what works for America. We will fight for what's right for America. That's what this election is all about. Not about change alone because change always happens. The question is, who do you trust to change America? On health care, taxes, education, and every other issue we face, Rich and I say the same thing: Let others listen to the polls; let others listen to the polls. Rich and I want to fight for what's right for the United States of America.

Rich touched on it, and he and I share a strong love of a certain proud American tradition, one that his kids, Ricky and Lisa, already shared with us today. I want to close by asking all of you to listen once again to these familiar words. I believe with all my heart that Americans must join and once again pledge allegiance to the finest vision of the United States of America: "one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

That is the country I love, the country Rich loves, the country you love. When I ask you to help that country by believing in this good man, working for him, and voting for him, I'm sure you'll answer in the words of the motto of this great city of Chicago: "I will."

God bless you all. Thank you very, very much for this fantastic turnout and this wonderful support. Thank you very much.

Note: The President spoke at 12:15 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare Hotel. In his remarks, he referred to Jane Williamson, wife of Rich Williamson, and H. Clark, master of ceremonies.

FUNDRAISER FOR RICH WILLIAMSON
ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS
SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 1992

THANKS RICH. GOVERNOR EDGAR. SECRETARY OF STATE
GEORGE RYAN. LT. GOVERNOR BOB KUSTRE [CUSS-TRAH].
CONGRESSMAN PHIL CRANE. WORLEY CLARK (MASTER OF
CEREMONIES). GOP STATE CHAIRMAN AL JOURDAN. GOP
NATIONAL COMMITTEEWOMAN MARY JO ARNDT. IT'S GREAT TO
BE HERE IN CHICAGO. I WAS HALF TEMPTED TO CALL THE
MAYOR WHILE I'M IN TOWN. MY GUESS IS HE WAS PRETTY
UPSET BY HIS PARTY'S RECENT GATHERING IN NEW YORK. HE
THOUGHT CHICAGO HAD THE NICKNAME -- "THE WINDY CITY."

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WE MEET HERE AT AN IMPORTANT TIME. SOME WHO THINK
IT'S GOING TO BE EASY TO OUST AN INCUMBENT THIS YEAR -
- BUT THEY UNDERESTIMATE HOW HARD SOMEONE WHO'S USED TO
BEING IN THE LEAD IS GOING TO FIGHT. BUT ENOUGH ABOUT
THE CHICAGO CUBS. \\

THIS AFTERNOON, I WANT TO TELL YOU A STORY ABOUT A YOUNG GIRL -- POOR IN POCKET BUT RICH IN HOPE -- WHO LEFT HER GERMAN VILLAGE TO COME TO AMERICA. SHE CAME IN SEARCH OF SOMETHING LARGER THAN HERSELF -- A FUTURE FOR HER CHILDREN -- AND FOR THEIR CHILDREN. HERE IN CHICAGO, SHE MARRIED ANOTHER IMMIGRANT. SHE TOOK IN LAUNDRY, HE SOLD CLOTHES, THEY LIVED IN A TINY APARTMENT AND NEVER GAVE UP HOPE THAT THEIR DAUGHTER WOULD HAVE A BETTER FUTURE -- AND THEIR DAUGHTER'S SON AN EVEN BETTER ONE.

THAT'S HOW THIS COUNTRY WAS BORN. AND THAT'S HOW IT GREW INTO THE MOST PROUD, MOST FREE NATION ON THE FACE OF THE EARTH. AMERICA BECAME GREAT THROUGH MILLIONS OF STORIES LIKE THIS -- STORIES OF MEN AND WOMEN WHO LEFT BEHIND THEIR HOMES IN ORDER TO TAKE A CHANCE ON A DREAM FOR THEIR CHILDREN HERE IN "THE LAND OF OPPORTUNITY."

IF THAT YOUNG WOMAN I JUST TOLD YOU ABOUT WERE HERE TODAY, SHE WOULD SEE HOW HER SACRIFICE MADE THE AMERICAN DREAM COME TRUE FOR HER GRANDSON. AND SHE WOULD SEE WITH PRIDE THAT HE STANDS HERE TODAY -- DETERMINED TO MAKE THAT SAME DREAM COME TRUE FOR ALL THE SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF ILLINOIS. HELEN SALISBURY WOULD BE PROUD TO SEE THE NEXT SENATOR FROM ILLINOIS, HER GRANDSON -- RICH WILLIAMSON. \\\

YOU KNOW, RICH AND I GO WAY BACK. RICH AND HIS DOG MAC KNEW MILLIE BEFORE SHE WAS A BEST-SELLING AUTHOR. \\\ SO I'M HERE OUT OF FRIENDSHIP FOR A BRILLIANT, DEDICATED LEADER. BUT I'M ALSO HERE FOR OUR COUNTRY - - BECAUSE RICH'S RACE AND MY RACE HAVE A LOT IN COMMON.

IN THE DOG DAYS OF SUMMER, IT'S VERY EASY TO BE ATTRACTED TO THE NEW CANDIDATE -- THE ONE WHO SAYS THE THINGS POLLS SAY THE PEOPLE WANT TO HEAR. BUT BY FALL, THE AMERICAN PEOPLE LOOK MORE CLOSELY AND ASK -- "WHO DO WE TRUST TO CHANGE AMERICA?" WHO HAS THE IDEAS TO CARRY US FORWARD TO A BETTER FUTURE."

RICH WILLIAMSON IS A LEADER WORTHY OF YOUR TRUST.
JUST AS WE HAVE CHANGED THE WORLD --- WE NOW HAVE THE
IDEAS TO CHANGE AMERICA.

RICH AND I BOTH BELIEVE -- THAT TO LEAD A GREAT
NATION YOU MUST FIRST TRUST THE PEOPLE YOU LEAD.

LOOK AT THE TWO SIDES IN THIS ELECTION --- AND THE
CHOICE IS CLEAR.

ON ONE SIDE YOU HAVE PEOPLE ADVOCATING A NATION "OF
THE GOVERNMENT, BY THE GOVERNMENT, FOR THE GOVERNMENT."
RICH AND I HAVE A DIFFERENT PHILOSOPHY. WE AGREE WITH
ANOTHER SON OF ILLINOIS --- AMERICA SHOULD BE A NATION:
"OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE PEOPLE, FOR THE PEOPLE."

LET ME TAKE JUST ONE ISSUE TO SHOW THE GRAND CANYON
OF PHILOSOPHY THAT SEPARATES THE TWO SIDES IN THIS
ELECTION. IT IS ONE OF THE MOST PRESSING CONCERNS WE
FACE TODAY: HEALTH CARE.

OUR HEALTH CARE SYSTEM DOESN'T WORK TODAY -- WE ALL KNOW THAT. THIRTY-FOUR MILLION AMERICANS ARE WITHOUT INSURANCE. MILLIONS MORE WORRY THAT THEY CANNOT AFFORD THE RISING COSTS.

WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?

WELL -- THE OTHER SIDE AND I HAVE BOTH PUT FORWARD PLANS -- YOU CAN COMPARE THEM.

THE OTHER PLAN OFFERS HEALTH CARE REFORM. MY PLAN OFFERS HEALTH CARE REFORM.

THE OTHER PLAN IS PRINTED ON PLAIN, WHITE BOND PAPER. MY PLAN IS PRINTED ON PLAIN, WHITE BOND PAPER.

FROM THERE -- THE DIFFERENCES ARE WIDER THAN AN ILLINOIS CORNFIELD.

THE OTHER PLAN WILL DUMP 52 MILLION AMERICANS INTO A NEW GOVERNMENT BUREAUCRACY -- MY PLAN WILL HELP 90 MILLION AMERICANS AFFORD PRIVATE INSURANCE.

THE OTHER PLAN WOULD SLAP AT LEAST A 7 PERCENT PAYROLL TAX ON MIDDLE-INCOME AMERICANS -- MY PLAN WOULD PROVIDE TAX RELIEF TO AMERICANS, TO HELP THEM PAY FOR THEIR OWN HEALTH CARE.

THE OTHER PLAN WILL COST AMERICA AT LEAST 700,000 JOBS -- MY PLAN HELPS SMALL BUSINESS AFFORD HEALTH INSURANCE SO THEY CAN HIRE MORE PEOPLE.

THE OTHER PLAN WILL CREATE LINES AT HOSPITALS SO LONG YOU'LL THINK THEY WERE SELLING BEARS TICKETS INSIDE. MY PLAN WILL ALLOW YOU TO GET THE CARE YOU NEED -- WHEN YOU NEED IT.

THE OTHER PLAN WILL PUT GOVERNMENT BUREAUCRATS IN CHARGE OF SETTING HEALTH CARE PRICES -- MY PLAN ATTACKS THE ROOT CAUSE OF RISING COSTS -- FAULTY INSURANCE, TOO MUCH PAPERWORK AND FAR TOO MANY FRIVOLOUS LAWSUITS.//

UNDERSTAND WHAT IS AT STAKE HERE ^r IF THE GOVERNOR OF ARKANSAS IS ELECTED WITH A DEMOCRATIC CONGRESS -- WITHIN A YEAR THE GOVERNMENT WILL RUN HEALTH CARE IN THIS COUNTRY. OUR HEALTH CARE SYSTEM WILL COMBINE THE EFFICIENCY OF THE ~~MOTOR VEHICLE DEPARTMENT~~ WITH THE COMPASSION OF THE KGB.

circle new Democratic Senator from Illinois

I AM NOT GOING TO LET THAT HAPPEN. GIVE ME RICH WILLIAMSON IN THE SENATE, AND WE WILL FIGHT AGAINST THOSE WHO PUT GOVERNMENT FIRST. WE WILL FIGHT FOR WHAT WORKS FOR AMERICA! WE WILL FIGHT FOR WHAT'S RIGHT FOR AMERICA!

THAT'S WHAT THIS ELECTION IS ALL ABOUT. NOT ABOUT CHANGE ALONE, BECAUSE CHANGE ALWAYS HAPPEN. THE QUESTION IS -- WHO DO YOU TRUST TO CHANGE AMERICA?

ON HEALTH CARE, TAXES, EDUCATION AND EVERY OTHER ISSUE WE FACE, RICH AND I SAY THE SAME THING. LET OTHERS LISTEN TO THE POLLS ... LET OTHERS LISTEN TO THE POLS [PAHLS] ... RICH WILLIAMSON AND I FIGHT FOR WHAT'S RIGHT FOR AMERICA.

RICH AND I SHARE A STRONG LOVE OF A CERTAIN PROUD AMERICAN TRADITION -- ONE THAT HIS KIDS RICKY AND LISA ALREADY SHARED WITH US TODAY. I WANT TO CLOSE BY ASKING ALL OF YOU TO LISTEN ONCE AGAIN TO THESE FAMILIAR WORDS. I BELIEVE WITH ALL MY HEART THAT AMERICANS MUST JOIN AND ONCE AGAIN PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FINEST VISION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA -- "ONE NATION, UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL."

THAT'S THE COUNTRY I LOVE -- THE COUNTRY RICH LOVES -- THE COUNTRY YOU LOVE. WHEN I ASK YOU TO HELP THAT COUNTRY BY BELIEVING IN RICH -- WORKING FOR RICH -- AND VOTING FOR RICH, I'M SURE YOU'LL ANSWER IN THE WORDS OF THE MOTTO OF THIS GREAT CITY OF CHICAGO: "I WILL!" GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

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PICNIC RALLY \ ELK GROVE, ILLINOIS
AUGUST 2, 1992 \ 1:30 P.M.

THANK YOU, RICH [WILLIAMSON], FOR THOSE KIND WORDS.
I COULD HAVE LISTENED TO YOU GO ON ALL DAY.
IT'S GREAT TO BE IN ELK GROVE, GREAT TO BE BACK IN
CHICAGO: LAND OF THE FREE -- AND HOME OF THE BEARS.
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SOMEONE ASKED ME THE OTHER DAY WHY I WAS A
REPUBLICAN. I LOOKED THEM STRAIGHT IN THE EYE AND
SAID: FREE CORN-ON-THE-COB AT THE ELK GROVE PICNIC.
// CORN, SOFT DRINKS, BEER -- ALL FOR JUST \$5 DOLLARS.
NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL A FAMILY VALUE. //

THE CHICAGO AREA IS HOME TO SOME OF THIS COUNTRY'S
GREATEST ATHLETES. THE OTHER NIGHT, I SAW MICHAEL
JORDAN WIN THE LONG JUMP AND THE HIGH JUMP ... AND THAT
WAS JUST IN THE FIRST QUARTER. //

THEN THERE'S PABLO MORALES, THE SWIMMER WHO MISSED OUT IN '84, DIDN'T MAKE THE TEAM IN '88, THEN CAME BACK THIS YEAR TO TAKE THE GOLD -- // AT THE RIPE OLD AGE OF 27. I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT I KIND OF LIKE A GUY WHO PROVES YOUTH AND INEXPERIENCE ARE NO MATCH FOR MATURITY AND DETERMINATION. //

YOU'VE HEARD PLENTY OF TALK ALREADY THIS YEAR ABOUT CHANGE. BUT THIS ELECTION IS NOT JUST ABOUT CHANGE -- BECAUSE CHANGE HAS A FLIP-SIDE.

THAT FLIP-SIDE IS CALLED TRUST. WHEN YOU GET RIGHT DOWN TO IT, THIS ELECTION WILL BE LIKE EVERY OTHER: WHEN YOU PULL THAT CURTAIN CLOSED AND CAST YOUR VOTE NOVEMBER 3RD -- TRUST MATTERS. //

MANY TIMES, IN THE WHITE HOUSE LATE AT NIGHT, THE PHONE RINGS. MOST TIMES IT'S AN AIDE DOUBLE-CHECKING THE NEXT DAY'S SCHEDULE.

BUT SOMETIMES IT'S ANOTHER VOICE -- MORE SERIOUS, MORE SOLEMN -- BRINGING NEWS OF A COUP IN A POWERFUL COUNTRY, OR WORD OF A BULLY THREATENING THE PEACE HALFWAY ROUND THE WORLD. / THE AMERICAN PEOPLE NEED TO KNOW THAT THE MAN WHO ANSWERS THAT PHONE HAS THE EXPERIENCE, THE SEASONING -- THE GUTS -- TO DO THE RIGHT THING. // YOU WANT A LEADER YOU CAN TRUST. I HAVE PROVED I AM THAT MAN. //

Now, THAT'S TRUST IN THE TRADITIONAL SENSE -- TRUST THAT KEEPS AMERICA SAFE AND STRONG. BUT THAT'S JUST PART OF THE PICTURE. TRUST MATTERS -- WHEN YOU'RE LOOKING TO SOMEONE TO BUILD A STRONG ECONOMY ... A BETTER FUTURE. I STAKE MY CLAIM ON A SIMPLE PHILOSOPHY: TO LEAD A GREAT NATION ... YOU MUST FIRST TRUST THE PEOPLE YOU LEAD.

LOOK AT EVERY BIG ISSUE WE FACE. YOU'LL SEE A CHOICE -- A CHOICE BETWEEN THOSE WHO PUT THEIR TRUST IN EVERYDAY AMERICANS, AND THOSE WHO PUT THEIR TRUST IN GOVERNMENT.

THE OTHER SIDE SEEMS TO BE SAYING THEY WANT A NATION "OF THE GOVERNMENT, BY THE GOVERNMENT, FOR THE GOVERNMENT." I STAND WITH THE GREAT SON OF ILLINOIS WHO SPOKE OF A NATION "OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE PEOPLE, FOR THE PEOPLE." //

I TRUST PARENTS -- NOT THE GOVERNMENT -- TO MAKE THE DECISIONS THAT MATTER IN LIFE. //

I TRUST PARENTS -- NOT THE GOVERNMENT -- TO CHOOSE THEIR CHILDREN'S SCHOOLS: PUBLIC, PRIVATE OR RELIGIOUS. //

I TRUST PARENTS -- NOT THE GOVERNMENT -- TO CHOOSE THEIR CHILDREN'S CHILD CARE. // WHEN THE OTHER SIDE SAYS, "GOVERNMENT KNOWS BEST" -- I SAY:

PARENTS KNOW BETTER. PARENTS KNOW BETTER THAN SOME BUREAUCRAT IN WASHINGTON, D.C. //

I TRUST THE PEOPLE -- NOT THE GOVERNMENT -- TO CHOOSE THEIR OWN HEALTH CARE. IF THE OTHER SIDE GETS IN POWER -- WITHIN A YEAR -- THE GOVERNMENT WILL RUN HEALTH CARE ... AND YOU'LL BE PAYING ANOTHER PAYROLL TAX. WITH THE GOVERNMENT IN CHARGE, OUR HEALTH CARE SYSTEM WILL COMBINE THE EFFICIENCY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES -- WITH THE COMPASSION OF THE KGB. //

AS LONG AS I'M PRESIDENT, I SAY: WE DON'T WANT THE GOVERNMENT PLAYING DOCTOR. I WILL FIGHT FOR A DIFFERENT WAY. I WILL FIGHT TO PUT HEALTH CARE IN THE HANDS OF THE PEOPLE. //

BUT THE NUMBER ONE ISSUE TODAY IS THE ECONOMY -- IT'S JOBS. THE QUESTION IS HOW WE KEEP THE AMERICAN ECONOMY NUMBER ONE IN THE WORLD.

TRUST MATTERS HERE, TOO. I TRUST YOU TO SPEND AND SAVE YOUR MONEY MORE WISELY THAN SOME BUDGET PLANNER IN WASHINGTON.

SIX MONTHS AGO IN MY STATE OF THE UNION, I PROPOSED A COMMON-SENSE, COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO GET THIS ECONOMY MOVING FASTER -- RIGHT NOW. TAX INCENTIVES -- TO ENCOURAGE BUSINESSES TO HIRE NEW WORKERS.

A \$5000 TAX CREDIT -- \$5000 DOLLARS RIGHT OFF THE INCOME TAX YOU OWE -- AS A BREAK FOR YOUNG FAMILIES STRUGGLING TO WORK AND SAVE AND BUY THAT FIRST HOME.

THINK ABOUT THAT. SOME LUCKY PERSON IS GOING TO WIN THE \$5000 RAFFLE PRIZE THIS AFTERNOON. MAYBE IT'LL BE SOMEONE FROM ELK GROVE OR PALATINE, FROM HANOVER OR SHAUMBURG. MAYBE EVEN FROM MAINE -- THAT'S MAINE COUNTY, OF COURSE. //

WELL, MY PLAN WOULD PUT \$5000 DOLLARS IN THE HANDS OF EVERY FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER: TO HELP YOU -- OR YOUR KIDS -- DO MORE THAN WIN A RAFFLE. TO REACH THAT AMERICAN DREAM. //

I'M STILL WAITING -- AMERICA'S STILL WAITING -- ALMOST 200 DAYS LATER. MY ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLAN IS BEING HELD HOSTAGE AND THE RANSOM NOTE READS, "WAIT 'TILL AFTER THE ELECTION."

LET ME ASK YOU TO SEND A MESSAGE TO CONGRESS: THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE TIRED OF WAITING. THEY WANT JOBS. NO ALIBIS. NO EXCUSES. IT'S TIME FOR ACTION -- NOW. //

THIS IS WHAT THIS CAMPAIGN IS ALL ABOUT -- WHO DO YOU TRUST TO CHANGE AMERICA? THE OTHER SIDE SAYS -- THEY WANT TO "PUT THE PEOPLE FIRST." BUT LOOK AT EVERY CHANGE THEY PROPOSE: IT ISN'T PUTTING PEOPLE FIRST -- IT'S PUTTING GOVERNMENT FIRST.

IT SOUNDS GOOD ... SOUNDS EASY ... BUT WHY HAS
ALMOST EVERY NATION IN THE WORLD MOVED AWAY FROM IT?
I STAND FOR A DIFFERENT WAY.

ON EDUCATION: LET OTHERS LISTEN TO THE POLLS --
LET OTHERS LISTEN TO THE POLS: I'M GOING TO DO WHAT'S
RIGHT FOR AMERICA.

ON HEALTH CARE: LET OTHERS LISTEN TO THE POLLS --
LET OTHERS LISTEN TO THE POLS: I'M GOING TO DO WHAT'S
RIGHT FOR AMERICA. //

ON NATIONAL DEFENSE: LET OTHERS LISTEN TO THE
POLLS -- LET OTHERS LISTEN TO THE POLS: I'M GOING TO
DO WHAT'S RIGHT FOR AMERICA. //

LET ME CLOSE TODAY WITH A FEW WORDS FROM THE HEART.
// BARBARA AND I ARE BLESSED -- BLESSED TO SERVE AT A
MOMENT IN HISTORY WHEN SO MANY OF THE OLD FEARS HAVE
BEEN DRIVEN AWAY ... WHEN SO MANY NEW HOPES STAND
WITHIN OUR REACH.

THE CHANGES WE'VE WORKED FOR HAVE COME TO PASS:
THE END OF THE COLD WAR ... THE COLLAPSE OF IMPERIAL
COMMUNISM ... A NEW BIRTH OF FREEDOM, FROM MANAGUA TO
MOSCOW. A NEW WORLD OF HOPE FOR OURSELVES -- FOR OUR
KIDS.

THE WORLD WE LIVE IN IS A SAFER WORLD -- SAFER THAN
IT WAS A DECADE AGO / A YEAR AGO -- SAFER THAN IT WAS
TWO MONTHS AGO, WHEN THE KIDS RIGHT HERE WALKED OUT OF
SCHOOL ... AND INTO SUMMER.

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I'M PROUD OF THE PROGRESS WE'VE MADE IN REDUCING SOME
OF THE WORLD'S MOST DANGEROUS NUCLEAR WEAPONS. //

THE IMPORTANT THING ISN'T WHAT THAT MEANS FOR
PRESIDENTS OR PRIME MINISTERS ... NOT FOR HISTORIANS OR
HEADS OF STATE ... BUT WHAT IT MEANS FOR PARENTS, AND
FOR OUR KIDS: IT MEANS A FUTURE FREE FROM FEAR. //

NOW WE CAN TURN OUR ATTENTION TO OUR JOBS, OUR
SCHOOLS OUR FUTURE. WE HAVE DONE SO MUCH THE PAST FOUR
YEARS TOGETHER.

NOW THAT WE HAVE CHANGED THE WORLD -- IT'S TIME TO
CHANGE AMERICA. //

THANK YOU ALL FOR THIS WARM WELCOME -- AND MAY GOD
BLESS THIS GREAT NATION, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 1, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: STEVE PROVOST ^{SP}

SUBJECT: WILLIAMSON FUNDRAISER

I. SUMMARY

Tomorrow, at 12:15 p.m. you will deliver remarks (9 minutes/teleprompted) at a fundraising luncheon for Rich Williamson in the Hyatt Regency O'Hare Hotel to 600 supporters.

II. DISCUSSION

Bob Teeter has specifically asked, and Sam Skinner concurs, that you make a pitch for your health care proposal. Governor Clinton realizes that his current health care plan is politically and substantively flawed and will attempt to quietly change his plan next week. Therefore, it is important that the press focus on the Governor's existing health care plan on Sunday.

Most of the distinctions in this speech refer to the "other side," which is consistent with last weeks' remarks. On page four, however, there is a specific reference to the "Governor from Arkansas." This is meant to guarantee that the press will pick up the line and use it in newspapers and TV coverage.

(Hinchliffe/Grossman)
July 31, 1992 3 p.m.
RICH Draft Five

**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: FUNDRAISER FOR RICH WILLIAMSON
ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS
SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 1992**

Thanks Rich.

[ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS] It's great to be here in Chicago. I was half tempted to call the Mayor while I'm in town. My guess is he was pretty upset by his party's recent gathering in New York. He thought Chicago had the nickname -- "The Windy City." \\\

We meet here at an important time. Some who think it's going to be easy to oust an incumbent this year -- but they underestimate how hard someone who's used to being in the lead is going to fight. But enough about the Chicago Cubs. \\\

This afternoon, I want to tell you a story about a young girl -- poor in pocket but rich in hope -- who left her German village to come to America. She came in search of something larger than herself -- a future for her children -- and for their children. Here in Chicago, she married another immigrant. She took in laundry, he sold clothes, they lived in a tiny apartment and never gave up hope that their daughter would have a better future -- and their daughter's son an even better one.

That's how this country was born. And that's how it grew into the most proud, most free nation on the face of the earth. America became great through millions of stories like this -- stories of men and women who left behind their homes in order to take a chance on a dream for their children here in "the land of opportunity."

If that young woman I just told you about were here today, she would see how her sacrifice made the American Dream come true for her grandson. And she would see with pride that he stands here today -- determined to make that same dream come true for all the sons and daughters of Illinois. Helen Salisbury would be proud to see the next Senator from Illinois, her grandson -- Rich Williamson. \\

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 1, 1992

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(Hinchliffe/Grossman)
July 31, 1992 3 p.m.
RICH Draft Five

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 12:15 p.m.

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REMARKS:

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(R E V I S E D V E R S I O N)

RESPONSE:

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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS -- SUNDAY, AUGUST 2nd - 12:15 p.m.

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RESPONSE:

PHILLIP D. BRADY
 Assistant to the President
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 Ext. 2702

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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July 31, 1992

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July 31, 1992 12 p.m.
RICH Draft Four

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 1992**

[ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS] Great to be here in Chicago -- but I have to tell you, after that recent convention in New York -- I think you've lost your claim to the title "The Windy City." \\\

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Back when another native son of Illinois was President and Rich was a senior member of our White House team, we worked hard together wielding our ax against the overgrown two-headed monster of big government and bureaucratic regulations. It was a good fight -- it is a good fight, and I need Rich back at my side. \\

I need him with me as we take on Congress. Look at how that place operates. Shrugs off my proposals for spending cuts -- then what does it do with your hard-earned money? Throws it into boondoggles like \$150,000 to study the Hatfield-McCoy feud. Hey, Congress -- I can tell you for free what causes feuds: the Hatfields wanted less spending while those stubborn old McCoy's held out for bigger taxes. That's a blood feud if I ever saw one. \\

You know what happens if you walk up to an ATM machine on State Street and try to take out more money than you have. Good luck. Can anyone tell me why Congress can't learn that simple lesson? Rich and I know Congress needs a tough, real Balanced Budget Amendment. And I'll slash those pork-barrel pet projects in a heartbeat -- just as soon as they give me what Jim Edgar and 42 other governors have -- the power of the line-item veto. \\\

America is crying out for fiscal responsibility -- and for hope. You know, I get a lot of letters. People write when they're happy -- and they write when they're hurting. I got a letter from a woman named Ruth Luitjohan, here in Carterville, Illinois. She wrote: "We need jobs ... Give us the opportunity to succeed, that's all we're asking for. Can you...understand?"

Ruth, I remember sitting around picnic tables in our backyard in Midland, Texas with the families of folks who worked in our company -- heard their worries, heard their fears. But this is a wonderful country -- because mixed in with the hard times is America's precious gift of opportunity. Rich and I can stand here today because this country gave us the chance to become full partners in the American dream.

For Rich -- it was working in the little family-owned business which passed down jobs for 4 generations. For me -- it was the chance for a kid fresh out of college and the Navy to head down where the jobs were -- to drive my old Studebaker up and down the dusty Texas plains as a salesman. That opportunity for work and self-respect is what this country must give to everyone

-- every checkout clerk who wants to open his own store -- every single mom going to classes at night to become a nurse -- every unemployed linesman with a mortgage to meet. They deserve their shot at the American dream and we're going to give it to them. \\

Let me tell you something, Ruth -- Rich and I work for those people. \\
 We'll keep pushing for the real reforms that will bring the light of opportunity into the dark corners of this land. \\
 Unlike some -- we haven't spent our lives as professional politicians. We've been in the workaday world. We've met payrolls. We know opportunity comes through jobs -- that's why above all we will create jobs. \\\

We'll create jobs through tax incentives to help businesses thrive and expand -- and by whacking through the stranglehold of regulations. Rich knows how overregulation can cripple and destroy a small business -- his family's business went bankrupt. We will work so no other family will have to see their hope emptied out and their livelihood boarded up. We're turning the lights back on in America. \\\

As Rich says -- we will "Free the American Spirit." \\

That's our number one priority -- because the only entitlement every American is born to is opportunity. That's the true American legacy -- the opportunity to inherit your fair share of the American dream -- and enter into a new American partnership.

This year we hear a lot of politicians tell us what they think elections are all about. Well, I think elections come down to just one thing. Trust. You know what I mean. When you go

into that voting booth, when you pull the curtain and put all the hype and the hoopla behind you -- what matters is trust. What matters is knowing that when your country faces a crisis -- you trust the man in the Oval Office because he has the experience -- the seasoning -- and the guts to do the right thing.

But there's something more than just the traditional view of truth. Our whole process of governing is also about another kind of trust -- one that gets right to the heart of what it means to me to be President. To lead a great nation you must first trust the people you lead. Look at our two political parties and the choice couldn't be clearer -- it's between those who put their trust in the average American to make the tough choices -- and those who put their trust in the government to choose for them -- and you know which side we're on! \ \

We must trust the American people. Trust the people to decide whether they want their kids' school to be public, private or religious. Trust the people to decide what kind of child care they want for their own kids. Trust the people to deal with their own lives: don't set up bureaucracy upon bureaucracy to overregulate and dictate. Trust the people to spend their money more wisely than a budget planner in Washington. I will always believe this should be a country not of the government, by the government, for the government: but of the people, by the people, for the people.

America is the greatest country on earth because our people make it the most decent country on earth. One reason I'm so proud of Rich is his dedication to deep-down American values. He's one

of an entire family of Eagle Scouts -- grew up with a father so devoted his kids said: "If we were playing tiddlywinks, Dad would be there." Rich is that kind of father to his own 3 great kids: last January he even led a campout at 20 below. Guess the YMCA Indian Guides don't call him "Screaming Eagle" for nothing!

This man of strong ideals, who'd read the Bible 13 times before he graduated from high school, believes there's something wrong when a kid can get a condom in school -- but can't say a prayer. And as long as he is your Senator, he will fight the good fight, for the values you and I believe in -- he will fight the decriminalization of drugs -- he will fight those who coddle criminals -- and he will fight to make sure our streets are safe for us and for our children.

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SUNDAY, 8/2/92 - CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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WASHINGTON

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FROM: ROGER B. PORTER *RP*

SUBJECT: Presidential Remarks: Rich Williamson Fundraiser

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If you have any questions or we can be of further assistance, please let us know.

cc: Phillip D. Brady

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James C. Mufr
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— Comment called in to J. N. Broarty's
office on 7/31/92

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 7/30/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: FRI. 7/31/92 10:00am

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: PICNIC RALLY
ELK GROVE, ILLINOIS -- SUNDAY 8/2/92 - 1:30pm

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Please forward your comments directly to Dan McGroarty Rm. 122, x2930, no later than 10:00 a.m., FRIDAY, JULY 31, with a copy to this office. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

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

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July 30, 1992
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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: PICNIC RALLY
ELK GROVE, ILLINOIS
AUGUST 1, 1992
1:30 P.M.

Thank you, Rich [Williamson], for those kind words. I could have listened to you go on all day. [Acknowledgements.] It's great to be in Elk Grove, great to be back in Chicago: land of the free -- and home of the Bears. //

You're home to some of this country's greatest athletes. The other night, I saw Michael Jordan win the long jump and the high jump ... in a single game of basketball. //

I brought my mitt today. I should have brought along Barbara and the grandkids -- could have had a whole softball team, complete with subs: Give the term "Bush league" a whole new meaning. //

Someone asked me the other day and asked me why I was a Republican. I looked them straight in the eye and said: Free corn-on-the-cob at the Elk Grove Picnic. // Corn, soft drinks, beer -- all for \$5 dollars. Now that's what I call family values. //

We live at a time of tremendous opportunity. The changes we've worked for have come to pass: The end of the Cold War ... the collapse of imperial communism ... a new birth of freedom, from Managua to Moscow. A new world of hope for ourselves -- for

our kids.

Something I've thought about many times since I met with Boris Yelstin at the White House: The world we live in is a safer world -- safer than it was a decade ago / a year ago -- safer than it was two months ago, when kids walked out of school and into summer. I'm proud of the progress we've made in reducing some of the world's most dangerous nuclear weapons. //

Let me tell you what that means: Not for Presidents or Prime Ministers ... not for historians or heads of state ... but for parents, and for our kids: it means a future free from fear. //

Now we face a new challenge. The time has come for the country that's changed the world ... to change America. And let me tell you: America is up to the challenge. //

This election year is about how we change to meet those challenges. But this election is not just about change -- because change has a flip-side. That flip-side is called trust. When you get right down to it, this election will be like every other: When you pull that curtain closed and cast your vote November 3rd -- trust matters. //

When the phone rings in the middle of the night in the White House ... when a crisis comes half a world away ... trust matters.

And that's the way it should be. //

Now, that's trust in the traditional sense. But that's just part of the picture. I stake my claim on a simple philosophy:

To lead a great nation ... you must first trust the people you lead.

Look at every big issue we face. You'll see a choice -- a choice between those who put their faith in everyday Americans, and those who put their faith in government.

The other side seems to be saying "of the government, by the government, for the government." I stand with the great son of Illinois who spoke government "of the people, by the people, for the people."

I trust parents -- not the government -- to make the decisions that matter in life. //

I trust parents -- not the government -- to choose their children's schools: public, private or religious. //

I trust parents -- not the government -- to choose their children's child care. // When the other side says, "government knows best" -- I say: Parents know better. Parents know better than some bureaucrat in Washington, D.C. //

So to those who doubt what makes this nation great, I say: America is first ... as long as we put the family first. //

Take it from my favorite silver-haired philosopher: Barbara Bush. // What happens in the White House isn't half as important as what happens in your house. //

But the number one issue today is the economy -- it's jobs. That's what's keeping people up late at night -- worrying about how they're going to pay the bills ... put food on the table ... care for their kids ... and still manage to put away something

for their own retirement.

These concerns aren't mere matters of economics. Trust matters here, too. I trust you to spend and save your money more wisely than some budget planner in Washington.

Six months ago in my State of the Union, I proposed a common-sense, comprehensive plan to get this economy moving faster -- right now. Tax incentives -- to encourage businesses to hire new workers. A \$5000 tax credit -- \$5000 dollars right off the income tax you owe -- as a break for young families struggling to scrimp and save and buy that first home.

Think about that. Some lucky person is going to win the \$5000 raffle prize this afternoon. Maybe it'll be someone from Elk Grove or Palatine, from Hanover or Schaumburg. Maybe even from Maine -- that's Maine County, of course. //

Well, my plan would put \$5000 dollars in the hands of every first-time homebuyer: To help you -- or your kids -- reach that American Dream. //

If Congress had acted -- my economic plan would have created half a million jobs.

Instead, Congress sat on my plan -- and sent me one full of new government spending, and new taxes.

You know the story. I sent it back. //

I'm still waiting -- America's still waiting -- almost 200 days later. My economic recovery plan is being held hostage and the ransom note reads, "wait 'till after the election."

There are some signs Congress may be getting the message.

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should it be finance?*

Last Wednesday, the Senate Budget Committee approved a package including a tax credit for first time homebuyers of \$2500 dollars. It's half a year late ... half as much as I asked for ... half way through the Congress.

People ask what I think? That's not half bad. //

But what I'm going to say to Congress is: The American people are waiting. They want action. Pass a bill that helps us get this economy growing again. //

Let me close today with a few words from the heart. //

Barbara and I are blessed -- blessed to serve at a moment in history when so many of the old fears have been driven away ... when so many new hopes stand within our reach.

Since the day I took the oath of office, I've made it my duty always to work for what's right for America. //

This election is about the big issues. The issues that shape the world -- and the values close to home: I'm talking about jobs, about family and faith -- about neighborhoods free from crime ... about a world free from fear. About trusting a leader who trusts you.

Today, I say to all the good people of this state: together we've made a great beginning. Give me four more years to finish the job. //

Thank you all for this warm Illini welcome -- and may God bless this great nation, the United States of America.

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(Hinchliffe/Grossman)
July 31, 1992 12 p.m.
RICH Draft Four

**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: FUNDRAISER FOR RICH WILLIAMSON
ROSEMONT, ILLINOIS
SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 1992**

[ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS] Great to be here in Chicago -- but I have to tell you, after that recent convention in New York -- I think you've lost your claim to the title "The Windy City." \\\

We meet here at an important time. I know there are some who think it's going to be easy to oust an incumbent this year -- but they underestimate how hard someone who's determined to stay is going to fight. But enough about the Cubs. \\\

This afternoon, I want to tell you a story about a young girl -- poor in pocket but rich in hope -- who left her German village to come to America. She came in search of something larger than herself -- a future for her children -- and for their children. Here in Chicago, she married another immigrant. She took in laundry, he sold clothes, they lived in a tiny apartment and never gave up hope that their daughter would have a better future -- and their daughter's son an even better one.

That's how this country was born. And that's how it grew into the most proud, most free nation on the face of the earth. America became great through millions of stories like this -- stories of men and women who left behind their homes in order to take a chance on a dream for their children here in "the land of opportunity." If that young woman I just told you about were here today, she would see how her sacrifice made the American Dream come true for her grandson. And she would see with pride that he

stands here now -- determined to make that same dream come true for all the sons and daughters, the grandsons and granddaughters of Illinois -- Helen Salisbury's grandson: Rich Williamson. \\

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 We'll keep pushing for the real reforms that will bring the light of opportunity into the dark corners of this land. \\
 Unlike some -- we haven't spent our lives as professional politicians. We've been in the workaday world. We've met payrolls. We know opportunity comes through jobs -- that's why above all we will create jobs. \\\

We'll create jobs through tax incentives to help businesses thrive and expand -- and by whacking through the stranglehold of regulations. Rich knows how overregulation can cripple and destroy a small business -- his family's business went bankrupt. We will work so no other family will have to see their hope emptied out and their livelihood boarded up. We're turning the lights back on in America. \\\

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That's our number one priority -- because the only entitlement every American is born to is opportunity. That's the true American legacy -- the opportunity to inherit your fair share of the American dream -- and enter into a new American partnership.

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America is the greatest country on earth because our people make it the most decent country on earth. One reason I'm so proud of Rich is his dedication to deep-down American values. He's one

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Rich and I share a strong love of a certain proud American tradition. I want to close by asking all of you to listen again to these familiar words. I believe with all my heart that Americans must join and once again pledge allegiance to the finest vision of the United States of America -- "one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

30-Jul-1992 04:35pm

TO: ~~(See Below)~~ *Card*
FROM: Drucillia S. Scaling
Office of Communications

SUBJECT: WILLIAMSON comments due 10 am Friday morning, July 31

(Hinchliffe/Grossman)

July 29, 1992 1 p.m.
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**PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: FUNDRAISER FOR RICH WILLIAMSON
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[ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS] Great to be here in Chicago -- but I have to tell you, after that recent convention in New York -- I think you've lost your claim to the title "The Windy City." \\

We meet here at an important time. I know there are some who think it's going to be easy to oust an incumbent this year -- but they underestimate how hard someone who's determined to stay is going to fight. But enough about the Cubs. \\

This afternoon, I want to tell you a story about a young girl -- poor in pocket but rich in hope -- who left her German village to come to America. She came in search of something larger than herself -- a future for her children -- and for their children. Here in Chicago, she married another immigrant. She took in laundry, he sold clothes, they lived in a tiny apartment and never gave up hope that their daughter would have a better future -- and their daughter's son an even better one.

That's how this country was born. And that's how it grew into the most proud, most free nation on the face of the earth. America became great through millions of stories like this -- stories of men and women who left behind their homes in order to take a chance on a dream for their children here in "the land of opportunity." If that young woman I just told you about were here today, she would see how her sacrifice made the American Dream come true for her grandson. And she would see with pride that he

stands here now -- determined to make that same dream come true for all the sons and daughters, the grandsons and granddaughters of Illinois -- [NAME]'s grandson: Rich Williamson. \\

You know, Rich and I go way back. As a matter of fact, he and his dog Mac knew Millie before she was a best-seller. \\ So I'm here out of friendship for a good, loyal American. But I'm also here for our country -- because this race has become a referendum on American principles. I'm here to say to every citizen of Illinois: Don't cast your vote on the side of failed, liberal Democratic policies. If you care about your kids' America -- then vote for the good old-fashioned principles we were raised on. Vote for the Republican principles of opportunity -- of growth -- of personal responsibility -- and above all, of trust -- vote for the next Senator from Illinois -- Rich Williamson. \\

Back when another native son of Illinois was President and Rich was a senior member of our White House team, we worked hard together wielding our ax against the overgrown two-headed monster of big government and bureaucratic regulations. It was a good fight -- it is a good fight, and I need Rich back at my side. \\

I need him with me as we take on Congress. Look at how that place operates. Shrugs off my proposals for spending cuts -- then what does it do with your hard-earned money? Throws it into boondoggles like \$150,000 to study the Hatfield-McCoy feud. Hey, Congress -- I can tell you for free what causes feuds: the Hatfields wanted less spending while those stubborn old McCoyes held out for bigger taxes. That's a blood feud if I ever saw one. \\

You know what happens if you walk up to an ATM machine on State Street and try to take out more money than you have. Good luck. Can anyone tell me why Congress can't learn that simple lesson? Rich and I know Congress needs a tough, real Balanced Budget Amendment. And I'll slash those pork-barrel pet projects in a heartbeat -- just as soon as they give me what Jim Edgar and 42 other governors have -- the power of the line-item veto. \\\

America is crying out for fiscal responsibility -- and for hope. You know, I get a lot of letters. People write when they're happy -- and they write when they're hurting. I got a letter from a woman named Ruth Luitjohan, here in Carterville, Illinois. She wrote: "We need jobs ... Give us the opportunity to succeed, that's all we're asking for. Can you...understand?"

Ruth, I remember sitting around picnic tables in our backyard in Midland, Texas with the families of folks who worked in our company -- heard their worries, heard their fears. But this is a wonderful country -- because mixed in with the hard times is America's precious gift of opportunity. Rich and I can stand here today because this country gave us the chance to become full partners in the American dream.

For Rich -- it was working in the little family-owned factory which passed down jobs for 4 generations. For me -- it was the chance for a kid fresh out of college and the Navy to head down where the jobs were -- to drive my old Studebaker up and down the dusty Texas plains as a salesman. That opportunity for work and self-respect is what this country must give to everyone

-- every checkout clerk who wants to open his own store; every single mom going to classes at night to become a nurse; every unemployed linesman with a mortgage to meet. They deserve their shot at the American dream and we're going to give it to them. \\
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Let me tell you something, Ruth -- Rich and I work for those people. \\
 We'll keep pushing for the real reforms that will bring the light of opportunity into the dark corners of this land. \\
 Unlike some -- we haven't spent our lives as professional politicians. We've been in the workday world. We've met payrolls. We know opportunity comes through jobs -- that's why above all we will create jobs. \\
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We'll create jobs through tax incentives to help businesses thrive and expand -- and by whacking through the stranglehold of regulations. Rich knows how overregulation can cripple and destroy a small business -- his family's factory has gone bankrupt. We will work so no other family will have to see their hope emptied out and their livelihood boarded up. We're turning the lights back on in America. \\
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As Rich says -- we will "Free the American Spirit." \\
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That's our number one priority -- because the only entitlement every American is born to is opportunity. That's the true American legacy -- the opportunity to inherit your fair share of the American dream -- and enter into a new American partnership.

This year we hear a lot of politicians tell us what they think elections are all about. Well, I think elections come down to just one thing. Trust. You know what I mean. When you go

into that voting booth, when you pull the curtain and put all the hype and the hoopla behind you -- what matters is trust. What matters is knowing that when your country faces a crisis -- you trust the man in the Oval Office because he has the experience -- the seasoning -- and the guts to do the right thing.

But there's something more than just the traditional view of truth. Our whole process of governing is also about another kind of trust -- one that gets right to the heart of what it means to me to be President. To lead a great nation you must first trust the people you lead. Look at our two political parties and the choice couldn't be clearer -- it's between those who put their trust in the average American to make the tough choices -- and those who put their trust in the government to choose for them -- and you know which side we're on! \\

We must trust the American people. Trust the people to decide whether they want their kids' school to be public, private or religious. Trust the people to decide what kind of child care they want for their own kids. Trust the people to deal with their own lives: don't set up bureaucracy upon bureaucracy to overregulate and dictate. Trust the people to spend their money more wisely than a budget planner in Washington. I will always believe this should be a country not of the government, by the government, for the government: but of the people, by the people, for the people.

America is the greatest country on earth because our people make it the most decent country on earth. One reason I'm so proud of Rich is his dedication to deep-down American values. He's one

of an entire family of Eagle Scouts -- grew up with a father so devoted his kids said: "If we were playing tiddlywinks, Dad would be there." Rich is that kind of father to his own 3 great kids: last January he even led a campout at 20 below. Guess the YMCA Indian Guides don't call him "Screaming Eagle" for nothing!

This man of strong ideals, who'd read the Bible 13 times before he graduated from high school, believes there's something wrong when a kid can get a condom in school -- but can't say a prayer. And as long as he is your Senator, he will fight the good fight, for the values you and I believe in -- he will fight the decriminalization of drugs -- he will fight those who coddle criminals -- and he will fight for the value of every human life.

Rich and I share a strong love of a certain proud American tradition. I want to close by asking all of you to listen again to these familiar words -- because I believe with all my heart that Americans must join and once again pledge allegiance to the finest vision of the United States of America -- "one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

That's the country I love -- the country Rich loves -- the country you love. When I ask you to help that country by believing in Rich -- working for Rich -- and voting for Rich, I'm sure you'll answer in the words of the motto of this great city of Chicago: "I will!" God bless you all.

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