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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: COURTER FUNDRAISER
NEWARK, NEW JERSEY
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1989

Let me begin, Tom, by saying how much I appreciate that introduction. And by adding that I am pleased to be with you.

I say that for several reasons. First, because it is always good to be back in a State whose motto is "Liberty and prosperity." And which in the last eight years has been devoted to both. Indeed, if I could borrow a phrase, under Governor Kean liberty and prosperity have gone "perfect together."

Then, there's a second reason I am pleased to be here. Perhaps a writer best expressed it when -- referring to New Jersey -- he called this State "America's main road."

Tonight, we are headed down that road toward a November victory for ~~the Republican Party.~~ And the cause of good government. A victory for our generation. And our children's generation. A victory for the new New Jersey -- Tom Kean's New Jersey. And for the man who can build upon what Tom's begun. Your next Governor -- Congressman James Courter.

Now, Jim's a long-time friend -- and I wanted to come up here and, personally, support him. I know you wanted to hear a few words from a prominent national figure who can really fire up a crowd and generate some excitement [PAUSE] . . . Unfortunately, Boris Yelstin had to go back to Moscow -- so I'm here instead.

Believe me, I'm delighted ~~I am~~. And believe me, too, when I say I respect Jim Courter, admire him. Like you, I know how Jim has already enriched the length and breadth of the Garden State. And how come November 7, he can -- and will -- do infinitely still more.

And the thing is: We must ensure that Jim gets that chance. For he can help keep New Jersey proud. And its economy strong. How do I know that? Let me quote one of New Jersey's favorite adopted sons -- the noted philosopher, Montclair's Yogi Berra. Once, Yogi ruminated, "You can observe a lot just by watching." Well, we've observed a lot about Jim Courter by watching him over the years.

We've seen Jim fight to clean up our environment. And to clean up our schools. We've seen him fight the scourge of crime. And its companion midwife, drugs. We've seen him fight to slash auto insurance rates through a progressive and pioneering plan. And we've seen Jim Courter embrace six of the most beautiful words in the English language [PAUSE] ~~Yes, you've got 'em~~ [PAUSE] . . . "Read my lips -- no new taxes."

These positions embody Tom Kean's new New Jersey -- old values plus new thinking. And will reinforce, not wreck, the glory of the last eight years. They express the belief that a record is something not to stand upon -- but to expand upon. And will reaffirm the renaissance that makes New Jersey's success story worth retelling.

First, education: For here, as elsewhere, that story includes many chapters bearing Jim Courter's name. In Trenton, Tom Kean has been the Education Governor. And in Washington, our Administration has proposed an "Educational Excellence Act of 1989" to reward excellence, demand accountability, and increase local flexibility. Congressman Jim Courter ~~avidly~~ supports this legislation. Governor Jim Courter can ensure that what Tom Kean has started is continued and enhanced.

Secondly, the environment -- for here too, Jim has been a visionary. He has drafted initiatives in the area of plastic recycling. And co-sponsored legislation to ban ocean dumping. He delivered New Jersey's first successful Superfund cleanup. And blocked oil drilling off the Jersey shore to save our beaches. Congressman Jim Courter has helped renew, and recover, our national heritage. Governor Jim Courter will put polluters in prison.

Then, we come to taxes. And here, the cleavage between the old and new New Jerseys is especially clear.

That's the new New Jersey. The old New Jersey -- Jim's opponent's New Jersey -- enshrines quite another creed. For it believes in policy of, by, and for the government. It regards the private sector as an enemy, not ally. And it repeats this equation, like sleepwalkers in the night: If it's commerce, regulate it. If it's a budget, break it. If there's a problem, Federalize it. And if it's income, penalize it.

Sound discredited? It is. In fact, I heard a story recently which typified this thinking. It seems these two men were sitting in a Trenton restaurant talking about politicians. The first noted that the syntax of a certain official needed a lot of working on. "Sintax?" roared the second man. "You mean to tell me those liberals down in Washington are putting a tax on that, too?"

Well, that says it all for the ideas of Jim's opponent: "Tax and tax, spend and spend." I'm sure you've heard the adage, "You're not getting older, you're just getting better." Well, the ideas I'm referring to are quite the opposite. You see, they're not getting better. They're just getting older.

Nowhere is the division of new versus old more clear-cut than in the areas of crimes, drugs, and punishment.

On the one hand -- the left hand, naturally -- Jim Courter's opponent thinks New Jersey's death penalty law is fine as it is. Even though not one cop-killer has ever been executed. Well, I'll tell you what I think: Anyone who believes that doesn't deserve to be Governor of New Jersey.

On the other hand, here's what Jim Courter believes. And I support his beliefs. As a former local prosecutor, he believes that when we ask what kind of society Americans deserve, our answer is a Nation in which law-abiding people are safe and feel safe. And toward that end, he supports our plan which attacks violent criminals on four fronts. New laws -- to punish them. New agents -- to arrest them. New prosecutors -- to convict them. And new prisons -- to hold them.

Jim Courter proposes to change the rules of the game dramatically -- new and honest solutions for a new New Jersey. He wants mandatory time for firearms. And no deals when criminals use a gun. And for the most heinous crimes -- well, Jim believes no penalty is too tough. For anyone who kills a law-enforcement officer, here is Jim's response -- and my response: To riff-raff and cop-killers, you deserve not charity -- but the recompense of the chair.

To repeat: New solutions -- honest solutions -- for a new New Jersey. And that's especially true in our crusade against drugs.

Two weeks ago, I announced America's first national comprehensive strategy to outlast drug abuse. Our drug budget totals almost \$8 billion. And our plan has four major elements.

First, enforcement. We need more jails, more prisons, more prisons, more courts, more prosecutors. And tougher sentences. You know where drug dealers belong? They belong in the slammer. And the second part of our plan is interdiction. Working with

other governments, we're going to break the international drug rings who grow and process cocaine and crack.

Then, there is the third part of our strategy: treatment to help addicts who want to get clean. With special emphasis on expectant mothers. And, finally, our drug program aims to stop use before it starts. Through education and prevention. From grade school to graduate school.

We can win this war, and will. Through the values of self-discipline, self-reliance, and accountability. Perhaps no one more embodies those values than Jim Courter. And not surprisingly, ^{ce} ~~no one~~ has been more supportive of our drug program than Jim Courter. ~~For no one knows better that the old ways don't work.~~

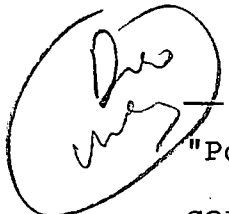

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Congressman Courter sponsored bills to toughen drug penalties, coordinate law enforcement efforts, and involve the military in combating drugs. Governor Courter can fight drugs on any front, and every front. Supply and demand. Fighting block-by-block. Winning kid-by-kid. Facing old problems in a new way -- by putting emphasis where the crisis is -- locally, in the community. The communities that will decide the future of New Jersey.

That future will demand independent, tough-minded thinking. Thinking unencumbered by bosses or graft. It will require leaders who know, with Jefferson, that "The whole art of government lies in being honest." And who have the vision that Jim Courter has shown, for instance, in his auto insurance plan.

Discarding what has not worked. Trying what may work. Rejecting -- unlike his opponent -- the failed policies of pre-Tom Kean.

Because those policies aren't good enough. Not for New Jersey. Or America. Not in terms of drugs, or crime, or education, or the environment. Not in our hope -- our children's hope -- for a tomorrow even brighter than today.

 Tom Kean knows that. That's why he's becoming President of . And why he agreed to serve as honorary chairman of our "Points of Light Initiative" to bring community service to every corner of America. And Jim Courter -- he knows it, too. For he knows what's on New Jersey's mind, and in its heart. And his goal is to use that heart to build a better life for all.

Can we achieve that goal? Of course we can -- both here and across America. How? Through the old values and new thinking embodied by this campaign.

Look at Jim Courter -- a moral man, a family man. A man respected by his colleagues. A man you can depend upon. I mean, if the voters of New Jersey want to gamble, they can go to Atlantic City. They don't need to risk everything on a big-spending liberal like Jim's opponent.

Next, look at Jim's background. Peace Corps volunteer. Legal aide to the poor. Lawyer, author, prosecutor, Congressman. Look at how he knows this State. Pearl Buck once said, "I do not need books to tell me about New Jersey." Well, neither does Jim. He knows its market gardens and dairy farms. Its wetlands and

highlands. He loves its Pine Barrens and Eastern Shore. Its diversity and beauty.

Look, then, at the State itself -- a State of pioneers, architects, and heroes of enterprise. Look at James Fenimore Cooper [PAUSE] . . . yes, New York claims him -- but the Garden State knows better. Look in science, to Thomas Edison. Or in sports, to an American icon: Vince Lombardi. Their values -- like Jim's -- embody the new New Jersey.

Look, finally, to the kids -- and how new thinking can help build their new New Jersey. You know, the great statesman Tom Paine lived in Barren. And he once said, "We fight to make room upon honest men to live in." Well, this election is about creating a State for our kids to live in.

You know, 46 days from tonight is Election Day. A lot of time. A lot to do. Now, I know some are concerned with what the polls say about this race. I'm not. At one point in last year's Presidential campaign I was 17 points behind, and if you want to know what happened, just ask President Dukakis.

So, let us help Jim Courter build the new New Jersey. And help this State enrich our future, and our kids.

To New Jersey's Republican Party, a splendid fall of 1989.

To Jim Courter come November 7, many happy returns.

And to all of you personally, my deepest thanks for allowing me to share this wonderful occasion. God bless you, and God bless this land we love -- the United States of America.

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Ladies and gentlemen, friends.

Let me begin, Tom, by saying how much I appreciate that
introduction. And by adding that I am pleased to be with you.

~~First,~~ it is always good to be back in a State whose motto
is "Liberty and prosperity." And which in the last eight years
has been devoted to both. If I could borrow a phrase, under
Governor Kean liberty and prosperity have been "perfect
together."

It's always a pleasure
~~Second, I am delighted to return to the State~~ *New Jersey* which was so
very kind to me in 1988. And to salute the entire Republican
ticket. Its candidates. Its ~~policies~~ *ideas and vision*. And especially, those *of you*
who toil so long and hard at the grass-roots level.

~~Then, there's the most important reason, I've come to Newark.~~
But I've come to Newark today for a reason
This reason goes beyond party -- to the essence of this campaign.
For this election is among this year's most crucial. ~~It will~~
~~decide whether we go back -- or forward. Whether we truly care~~
~~about assaulting crime and drugs.~~ This election will decide
whether New Jersey builds on what you've begun since 1982. Or
whether it risks everything by returning to the past. It's that
important -- that clear-cut.

*It will decide whether New Jersey has the leadership
it needs to win the war on drugs and crime or gives in
to failed social policies that blame everyone but the
criminal.*

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This election will decide whether New Jersey will
continue to have the kind of leadership that understands

that a sound ecology can coexist with
a strong economy.

On Nov. 5, the people of New Jersey
decide to

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The kind of leadership that says no
to ^{higher} taxes and yes to continuing the prosperity
of the last 8 years.

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The kind of leadership that knows that education
without accountability is unacceptable...

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Well, today I make this prediction. This November, New Jersey will cast its vote for the future. ~~for~~ *for the Republican Party* ~~the~~ cause of good government. A vote for Republicans running for the State Legislature -- Republicans who will help ensure fair redistricting in the 1990s. A vote, in short, for the new New Jersey -- Tom Kean's New Jersey. And for the man who can move your State into the coming decade. Your next Governor -- Congressman Jim Courter. *B.F.*

and a tough approach to crime
Now, Jim's a long-time friend -- and I wanted to come up here and, personally, support him and the ^{great} party that's behind him. I know you wanted to hear a few words from a prominent national figure who can really fire up a crowd and generate some excitement [PAUSE] . . . Unfortunately, Arnold Schwarzenegger had to go back to Los Angeles -- so I'm here instead.

Believe me, I'm delighted. And believe me, too, when I say how much I admire Jim Courter. Like you, I know the kind of person he's been, and is. Peace Corps volunteer. Legal aide to the poor. Lawyer, author, prosecutor, Congressman. Like you, I know how he cares about New Jersey -- how he's already helped make it a wonderful place. Now, let's help him so that come November 7, he can -- and will -- get the chance to do even more.

For Jim Courter -- like the entire Republican ticket -- can help keep New Jersey proud. And its economy strong. Let me quote one of New Jersey's favorite adopted sons -- the noted philosopher, Montclair's Yogi Berra. Once, Yogi ruminated, "You

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observe a lot by watching." Well, we've observed a lot by watching Jim over the years.

✓ We've seen ~~Jim~~^{him} fight to clean up our environment. And our schools. We've seen him fight the scourge of drugs and crime. We've seen him fight to slash auto insurance rates through a progressive and pioneering plan. And we've seen Jim embrace six of the most beautiful words in the English language [PAUSE] . . .

B.F. "Read my lips -- no new taxes."

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In 1983, Tom Kean unveiled a great idea called Alternative Certification. A concept allowing talented Americans from every field to teach in the classroom. Today, Alternative Certification is a flagship of our Federal plan. And from the start, Congressman Jim Courter has been an advocate. Governor Jim Courter can keep academic excellence a New Jersey byword.

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Then, we come to taxes. And here, the difference between the old and new New Jersey^{eyes} is especially clear.

The new New Jersey knows that private enterprise can help meet the needs of distressed locales from Camden to Paterson. The new New Jersey -- a Republican New Jersey -- knows that the decade's tax cuts helped make prosperity a reality. For the more money people have to spend, the more they can help create growth, opportunity, and progress.

That's the new New Jersey. The old New Jersey -- Jim Florio's New Jersey -- believes something quite different. It regards the private sector as an enemy, not ally. And in policy of, by, and for the government.

Sound outdated? It is. In fact, I heard a story recently which typified this thinking. Two men were sitting in a Trenton restaurant talking about politicians. ^{One of them said he thought} ~~When the first~~ noted that the syntax of a public official needed a lot of working ~~on~~.

Well, naturally, at first I thought he meant me. And I got ready to say, "Sir, I resemble that charge." But then the fellow

said he was really talking about a liberal Congressman.

"Sintax?" roared the second man. "You mean to tell me those Democrats down in Washington are putting a tax on that, too?"

That says it all for Jim's opponent: "Tax and tax, spend and spend." I'm sure you've heard the adage, "You're not getting older, you're just getting better." Well, ^{when it comes to the} ~~the ideas I'm~~ ^{Democrats' ideas of "fighting the belt"} ~~referring to~~ ^{they don't} ~~are quite the opposite.~~ You see, ~~they're not~~ ^{any} ~~getting better.~~ They're just getting older.

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On the one hand, Jim Courter's opponent thinks New Jersey's death penalty law is fine as it is. Even though fourteen times since 1982, death sentences have been overturned by the New Jersey Supreme Court. My fellow Americans, anyone who supports that status quo doesn't deserve to be Governor of New Jersey.

On the other hand, here's what Jim Courter believes. As a former local prosecutor, he believes that when we ask what kind of society Americans deserve, our answer is a Nation in which people are safe and feel safe.

Jim Courter proposes to change the rules of the game dramatically -- new and honest solutions for a new New Jersey. He wants mandatory time for firearms^{offenses}. No deals when criminals use a gun. And for the most heinous crimes -- well, here is his response: Unlike Jim Florio, Jim Courter wants constitutional and statutory changes to toughen New Jersey's death penalty..

To repeat: New solutions -- honest solutions. And that's especially true in our war on drugs.

Two weeks ago, I announced America's first national comprehensive strategy to end drug use. Our drug budget totals almost \$8 billion. And our plan has four major elements.

First, enforcement. We need more prisons, more courts, more prosecutors. And tougher sentences. You know where drug dealers belong? They belong in jail. The second part of our plan is interdiction; the third, treatment. Finally, our drug program aims to stop use before it starts. Through education and prevention. From grade school to graduate school.

We can win this war, and will. Through the values of self-discipline, self-reliance, and accountability. Perhaps no one better grasps those values than Jim Courter. And not surprisingly, he has endorsed our plan from the very start.

Congressman Courter strongly supported bills to toughen drug penalties, coordinate law enforcement efforts, and involve the military in combating drugs. Governor Courter can fight drugs on any and every front. Facing old problems in a new way -- by putting emphasis where the crisis is -- in the community. The communities that will decide the future of New Jersey.

That future will demand independent, tough-minded thinking. Thinking unburdened by a rear-view mirror. And leaders who have the vision that Jim has shown, for instance, in his auto insurance plan. Rejecting -- unlike his opponent -- the failed policies of the national, liberal Democratic Party.

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Tom Kean knows that. That's why he's becoming President of Drew University. And why he agreed to serve as honorary chairman of our "Points of Light Initiative" to bring community service to every corner of America. And Jim Courter -- he knows it, too. For he knows what's on New Jersey's mind, and in its heart. And his goal is to use that heart to build a better life for all.

Can we achieve that goal? Of course we can -- both here and across America. How? Through a unified Republican Party -- working together to support the entire ticket. And through the old values and new thinking embodied by this campaign.

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Look, finally, to the kids -- and how new thinking can help build the New Jersey of tomorrow. You know, the great statesman Tom Paine lived in Bordertown. And once he said, "We fight to make room upon this land for honest men to live in." Well, this election is about ensuring a State for our kids to live in.

The future versus the past. Policies that work versus policies that don't. A better future for our children ^{or one of last} ~~versus one~~ ^{opportunity.} ~~that's not.~~ Yes, there's a lot at stake. And let me remind you: Election Day is only 46 days away.

So, let's lift up our sights. And roll up our sleeves. And together, help Jim Courter preserve the new New Jersey. B.F.

~~To this State's next Governor, the best of luck to this campaign's best man. To the Republican Party, more success than ever at the grass-roots level. And to all of you personally, my deepest thanks for allowing me to share this wonderful occasion.~~
God bless you, and God bless the United States of America.

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Republican ticket. Its candidates. Its ideas and vision. And
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roots level.

But I've come to Newark today for an even more important
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This election will decide whether New Jersey builds on what
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This election will decide whether New Jersey will continue to have the kind of leadership which balances a sound economy and sound ecology . . . the kind of leadership which knows that education demands accountability . . . the kind of leadership which says "No" to higher taxes and "Yes" to extending the prosperity of the last eight years.

That's what this election will decide. It's that important. It's that clear-cut. And today I make a prediction. This November, New Jersey will make the right decision. A decision to cast its vote for the future . . . for the cause of good government . . . for the Republican Party [PAUSE] . . . A vote, in short, for the new New Jersey -- Tom Kean's New Jersey.

That means a vote for Republicans running for the General Assembly -- Republicans who will help ensure fair redistricting in the 1990s. And a vote for Republicans running at the local and county level. It means a vote for candidates who'll take a tough approach to the street crooks and the thugs. And perhaps most of all, it means a vote for the man who can move your State into the coming decade. Your next Governor -- Congressman Jim Courter.

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That says it all for Jim's opponent: "Tax and tax, spend and spend." I'm sure you've heard the adage, "You're not getting older, you're just getting better." Well, when it comes to the Democrats' notion of "fiscal sanity," their ideas never get any better. Just older, more harmful, and more discredited.

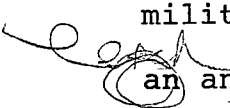
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when we ask what kind of society Americans deserve, our answer is a Nation in which people are safe and feel safe.

That is why Jim proposes to change the rules of the game dramatically -- new and honest solutions for a new New Jersey.

For instance, he supports America's first national comprehensive strategy to end drug use, which I announced last month. He wants tougher enforcement. More prisons, more courts, more prosecutors -- Jim knows about that. And tougher sentences -- he's spent a career demanding them. You know where drug dealers belong? Jim says: In jail. He backs more interdiction, and more treatment. And our plan to stop use before it begins. Through education and prevention. From grade school to graduate school.

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Recently, Jim talked of how a man who strangled his victim with an electrical cord and then repeatedly stabbed her with a screwdriver had his death sentence reversed by the New Jersey State Supreme Court. This marked the 14th consecutive death sentence reversed or prohibited by that Court since the death penalty was reinstated in (1982). Reinstated, I might add, through the leadership of Tom Kean.

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Governor Kean, ^{→ Congressman Courter, Volpe, Blessey, or others} ~~Congressman Gallo~~, Mr. Sullivan, Mr.

Bathgate, Ms. Donovan, Ladies and gentlemen, friends.

Let me begin, Tom, by saying how much I appreciate that introduction. And by adding that I am pleased to be with you.

It is always good to be back in a State whose motto is "Liberty and prosperity." And which in the last eight years has ^{had a Governor} ~~been~~ devoted to both. If I could borrow a phrase, under Governor Kean liberty and prosperity have been "perfect together."

It is always a pleasure, too, to return to the State which was so very kind to me in 1988. And to salute the entire Republican ticket. Its candidates. Its ideas and vision. And especially, those of you who toil so long and hard at the grass-roots level.

But I've come to Newark today for an even more important reason. This reason goes beyond party to the essence of this campaign. New Jersey's election ^(are) is among the most crucial in America.

This election will decide whether New Jersey builds on what you ^a ~~have~~ ^{eight years ago} begun since 1982. Or whether it risks everything by returning to the past. Whether -- on the one hand -- New Jersey has the leadership it needs to win the war on drugs and crime.

Or whether -- on the other -- it reverts to failed social policies that blame everyone but the criminal.

This election will decide whether New Jersey continues to have the kind of leadership which balances a sound economy and sound ecology. And whether its leadership says "No" to higher taxes and "Yes" to extending the prosperity of the last eight years.

That's what this election will decide. It's that important. It's that clear-cut. And today I make a prediction. This November, New Jersey will make the right decision. A decision to cast its vote for the future . . . for the cause of good government . . . for the Republican Party [PAUSE] . . . A vote, in short, for the new New Jersey -- ~~Tom Kean's~~ ^{a Republican} New Jersey. *(Sker)*

That means a vote for Republicans running for the General Assembly -- Republicans who will help ensure fair redistricting in the 1990s. And a vote for Republicans running at the local and county level. It means a vote for candidates who'll take a tough approach to crooks and thugs. And ~~[perhaps most of all]~~ it means a vote for the man who can move your State into the coming decade. *(Shoreline ever)* Your next Governor -- Congressman Jim Courter.

Now, Jim's a long-time friend -- and I wanted to come up here and, personally, support him and the great party that's behind him. I know you wanted to hear a few words from a prominent national figure who can really fire up a crowd and generate some excitement [PAUSE] . . . Unfortunately, Arnold

Schwarzenegger had to go back to Los Angeles -- so I'm here instead.

Believe me, I'm delighted. And believe me, too, when I say how much I admire Jim Courter. Like you, I know the kind of person he is. Peace Corps volunteer. Legal aide to the poor. Lawyer, author, prosecutor, Congressman. Like you, I know how he cares about New Jersey -- how he's already helped make it a wonderful place. Now, let's help him so that come November 7, he can -- and will -- get the chance to do even more.

~~For Jim Courter -- like~~ the entire Republican ticket -- can help "keep New Jersey proud," as the banner behind me says. How? By "keeping it Republican." Let me quote one of New Jersey's favorite adopted sons -- the noted philosopher, Montclair's Yogi Berra. Once, Yogi ruminated, "You observe a lot by watching." Well, we've observed a lot by watching Jim over the years.

We've seen him fight to clean up our environment. And to fight the scourge of drugs and crime. We've seen him fight to slash auto insurance rates through a progressive and pioneering plan. And we've seen Jim embrace six of the most beautiful words in the English language [PAUSE]. "Read my lips -- no new taxes."

These positions embody the new New Jersey -- old values plus new thinking. And will reinforce the progress of the last eight years. Eight years of enlightened leadership -- Republican leadership. Yet Jim knows that a record is something not to stand upon -- but to expand upon. And his leadership into the

'90s will reaffirm the renaissance that makes New Jersey's success story worth retelling.

First, the environment. For here, as elsewhere, Jim Courter has helped build the new New Jersey. He has drafted initiatives for plastic recycling. And co-sponsored legislation to ban ocean dumping. He delivered New Jersey's first successful Superfund cleanup. And blocked oil drilling off the Jersey shore to save our beaches. ~~Congressman Jim Courter has helped renew, and recover, our national heritage. Governor Jim Courter will put polluters in prison.~~

Then, we come to taxes. And here, the difference between the old and new New Jerseys is especially clear.

The new New Jersey knows that private enterprise can help meet the needs of distressed locales from Camden to Paterson. The new New Jersey -- a Republican New Jersey -- knows that the decade's tax cuts helped make prosperity a reality. For the more money people have to spend, the more they can help create growth, opportunity, and progress.

That's the new New Jersey. The old New Jersey -- Jim Florio's New Jersey -- believes something quite different. It regards the private sector as an enemy, not ally. And in policy of, by, and for the government.

Sound outdated? It is. In fact, I heard a story recently which typified this thinking. Two men were sitting in a Trenton restaurant talking about politicians. One of them said he thought the syntax of a public official needed a lot of work.

Well, naturally, at first I thought he meant me. And I got ready to say, "Sir, I resemble that charge." But then the fellow said he was really talking about a liberal Congressman.

"Syntax?" roared the second man. "You mean to tell me those Democrats down in Washington are putting a tax on that, too?"

That says it all for Jim's opponent: "Tax and tax, spend and spend." I'm sure you've heard the adage, "You're not getting older, you're just getting better." Well, when it comes to the Democrats' notion of "fiscal sanity," their ideas never get any better. Just older and more discredited.

Nowhere is the division of new versus old more clear-cut than in the areas of crime, drugs, and punishment.

Jim Courter served as first assistant prosecutor in his home county of Warren. He's seen the drug peddlers and users. He's seen the terrible toll caused by crime. And he believes that when we ask what kind of society Americans deserve, our answer must be: a Nation in which people are safe and feel safe.

That's why Jim wants to change the rules of the game dramatically -- new solutions for a new New Jersey.

For instance, he is a strong advocate of America's first national comprehensive strategy to end drug use, which I announced earlier this month. He wants tougher enforcement. More prisons, more courts, more prosecutors. And tougher sentences -- he's spent a career demanding them. You know where drug dealers belong? Jim says: In jail. He backs more interdiction and treatment. And our plan to stop use before it

begins. Through educat
graduate school.

Congressman Courter strongly supported bills to coordinate law enforcement efforts and involve the military in combating drugs. ^{high} ^{low} Governor Courter can fight drugs on any and every front. Facing new problems in a new way -- by putting emphasis where the crisis is -- in the community. The communities that will decide the future of New Jersey. ^{keep away from the state}

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Tom Kean knows that. That's why he's becoming President of Drew University. And why he agreed to serve as honorary chairman of our "Points of Light Initiative" to bring community service to every corner of America. And Jim Courter -- he knows it, too. For he knows what's on New Jersey's mind, and in its heart. And his goal is to use that heart to build a better life for all.

Can we achieve that goal? Of course we can -- both here and across America. How? Through a unified Republican Party -- working together to support the entire ticket. And through the old values and new thinking embodied by this campaign.

Look at Jim Courter -- a man respected by his colleagues. A man you can depend upon. ^(Skel) Next, look at how he knows this State. Pearl Buck once said, "I do not need books to tell me about New Jersey." Well, neither does Jim. He knows its market gardens and dairy farms. Its wetlands and highlands. He loves its Pine Barrens and Eastern Shore. Its diversity and beauty.

Look, then, at the State itself -- a State of pioneers and heroes. In diplomacy, look to Alexander Woolcott. Or in science, to Thomas Edison. Or in sports, to an American icon: Vince Lombardi. Their values ~~-- like Jim's --~~ reflect the new New Jersey.

Look, finally, to the kids -- and how new thinking can help build the New Jersey of tomorrow. You know, the great statesman Tom Paine lived in Bordertown. And once he said, "We fight to make room upon this land for honest men to live in." Well, this election is about ensuring a great State for our kids to live in.

The future versus the past. Policies that work versus policies that don't. A better future for our children, or one of lost opportunity. Yes, there's a lot at stake. And let me remind you: Election Day is only 46 days away.

So, let's lift up our sights. And roll up our sleeves. Let's "keep New Jersey proud by keeping it Republican." And together, help Jim Courter ^{keep it} preserve the new New Jersey.

God bless you, and God bless the United States of America.

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