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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: CABINESS FUNDRAISER
FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 1990
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
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I also want to say it's a privilege to be here on behalf of a very dear friend. He has been one of the great leaders in the Alabama State Senate. Soon he'll be a great member of the United States Senate. // My long-time friend, Bill Cabiness. //

((When John Sununu thought a Presidential appearance might be of help to Bill, he called and said, "How would you like to bring something to Birmingham that will really excite people?" // As always, Bill responded thoughtfully. "You mean Birmingham is getting an NFL franchise?") //

Not yet, anyway. But with your help, on Election Day Alabama will get a franchise U.S. Senator. For Bill is what the Cotton State needs -- what my Administration needs. // A Senator who will make Alabama proud. A leader who'll make the Nation proud. You and I both know it: Bill Cabiness is that man. //

Now, as you know, we go back a long way. First met in ___. With Catherine and Barbara, we've been summer neighbors for years. // We respect each other. We have a lot in common. // Each is a charismatic speaker. // Both of us believe in the Alabama State Motto, "We dare defend our rights." // Especially on the tennis court. // Each feels that if cleanliness it second to Godliness, almost everything is second to fishing. //

((I figured it out last night: I've fished at Pintlata near Montgomery more times than I've met Soviet President Gorbachev. So I'm pleased to be here for the big Summit meeting. Bill and I plotting strategy for the upcoming bass season. // Bill and I have fished all over America. The fish I catch usually aren't longer than his, but my stories about them are.))

((Let me share one story. A game warden found a fisherman having good luck at a private pond. // "Say," the game warden said, "can't you read the sign? It says, NO FISHING HERE." // The fisherman looked at the sign, then at his catch, and replied: "Must be a mistake, 'cause I caught plenty!")) //

Well, Bill Cabiness has plenty to offer the voters of Alabama. To begin, he is a man of integrity -- embodying your values of hard work, honesty, and strength of character. // He is a family man -- wonderful wife, two great kids. And a religious man -- he knows that we were put on Earth to do God's will. // He values loyalty -- in 1988, Alabama was the very first State to support me at the Republican National Convention. Bill cast that vote. // And he keeps things in perspective.

((It's like he always tells me: "It's fine that you're here, Mr. President. But if you really want to wow the crowd, bring Barbara.")) //

It's these very qualities that will endear him to Alabama voters. Just as they have so impressed his colleagues in the Alabama State Senate. Three years straight Bill has been named the Best State Senator by all four Republicans. But more incredibly, by all 32 Democrats. // That's a little like me being voted most-liked President by the broccoli growers. // He's respected because he's high-minded. Even-handed. And because he knows that only new ideas can create the new leadership needed for the new decade of the 1990s. //

New ideas mean, first, defying those who treat elections like a shell game where they cut and deal the cards. Yes, I mean liberal national Democrats who through gerrymandering make a mockery of the democratic process. // This year Alabama will likely lose one Congressional seat. We need to ensure reapportionment that is fair. So let's keep control of the State Senate. And win control of the House. Above all, let's re-elect that great Governor: My friend, Guy Hunt. // Football fans talk of the Crimson Tide. Well, this November let's ride a Republican tide in. And sweep out the masters of gerrymander. Let's reaffirm the principle of "one man, one vote. //

New ideas also mean knowing that this Senate race comes down to the Old Alabama versus the New Alabama. For Bill Cabiness wants a future not of status quo -- but of status grow. //

Since 1982, the "status grow" has brought the longest peacetime boom in American history. With Guy Hunt, Bill Cabiness can achieve the same for Alabama. //

Many have called Birmingham "the Pittsburgh of the South." So it was -- and is. Only today, that means a future not just of steel and iron -- but high tech, not high tax. // Bill Cabiness knows that this State and Nation will flourish not when government spends more money -- but when people have more money to spend. // That's why, unlike his opponent, he supports our capital gains tax cut. And why he wants to keep bureaucracies down -- so we can help people up. // Bill's new ideas will cause new jobs to come into Alabama. And new jobs to arise here. Let's help Bill bring prosperity to a State which deserves growth, opportunity, and progress -- a non-partisan GOP. //

Bill Cabiness also knows that an educated work force is an employed work force -- more new ideas. The more young men and women we have in graduation lines tomorrow, the fewer people we'll have in unemployment lines. // So he supports our Administration's Educational Excellence Act of 1990. Designed to see that every student starts school ready to learn. And that each school has an environment where kids can learn. // Alabama's old ideas say: "Let's tax and spend to make American education Number One." // Bill Cabiness says: "New thinking means an excellence that comes from higher standards, greater accountability, and more involvement by parents and communities."

New ideas, yes. Bill Cabiness has introduced comprehensive ethics legislation in the State Senate -- winning editorial praise. He supports our Administration's ethics bill to make public service a public trust. // He aims to derail crime and drugs by endorsing Phase II of the 1990 National Drug Control Strategy that we unveiled last year. Like me, he wants an expansion of the death penalty for drug kingpins. // And the environment -- here, too, new ideas. Bill backs our Clean Air Act legislation that the Senate approved last week. And supports our proposal to ban all chlorofluorocarbons. // For as a staunch defender of the environment, there's one thing Bill wants to make absolutely clear -- Alabama. // Bill would literally be a breath of fresh air in representing Alabama in the U.S. Senate. As he would be in perhaps the issue that best shows the difference between Bill and his opponent: Child care. //

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Since 1975, Republicans have zoomed from zero State
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Yet new ideas are not just political. They're economic and
 intellectual. // They support what I call the New Alabama.
 Moving beyond the Old Alabama. The reason is simple: We need a
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Look at Huntsville, closely tied to our space effort. Or
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South." So it was -- and is. Only today, that means a future not just of steel and iron -- but high tech, not high tax. // Bill Cabiness knows that we don't need government to spend more money. We want people to have more money to spend. // That's why, unlike his opponent, he supports our capital gains tax cut. And why he wants to keep bureaucracies down -- so we can help people up. // Bill's new ideas will cause new jobs to come into Alabama. And more jobs to arise here. Let's help him increase the prosperity that will build better lives for all. //

Prosperity, of course, means an employed work force. But that will only come from an educated work force. Surveys show that the average Alabamian considers education tis State's most vital issue. The more young men and women we have in graduation lines, the fewer people we'll have in unemployment lines. // That's why Bill backs our Administration's Educational Excellence Act of 1990. Designed to see that every student starts school ready to learn. And each school has an environment where kids can learn. // Those with old ideas think that tax and spend can make our education Number One. // Bill says: "New ideas mean the excellence that comes from higher standards, greater accountability, and more involvement by parents and communities."

((You know, getting back to fishing, Bill often says that the trout I catch usually aren't larger than his -- but my stories about them are. // Which reminds me of a mother who told her son, "I have a pretty good idea that you skipped your piano lesson and played baseball instead." // The son said he

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ago Barbara and I invited ourselves for dinner after we smelled some pork barbecue Bill and Katherine had imported from ~~Alabama~~ // Birmingham. Of course, 20 Secret Service men preceded us. // The good news is that by the time we got there, they all had smiles on their faces. The bad news is all the barbecue was gone.)) //

This year, Bill Cabaniss has plenty to offer Alabama voters. He is a man of character, a family man -- great wife, two great kids. He values loyalty -- worked for me in 1980. In '88, cast our first vote at the Republican National Convention. // Like me, he is a charismatic speaker. // Also, Bill keeps things in perspective. ((It's like he says: "It's fine that you're here, Mr. President. But if you really want to wow the crowd, bring Barbara.)) // *also - see byline.*

Not surprisingly, ~~these qualities~~ have endeared Bill to the voters since his election to the ~~State Legislature~~. Just as they've impressed his peers ~~in the Alabama State Senate~~. // In 1987, Bill was named Best State Senator by colleagues in a body then 6-to-1 Democratic. He's respected because he's a man of experience and judgement. // You know, that vision thing. // He knows that only new ideas can create the new leadership needed for the new decade of the 1990s.

These new ideas enrich every level of our Republican Party -- they're the reason ~~when you~~ refer to a Southern "Tide" you don't just mean Alabama football. // *also* Since the 1988 election, 215 former Democratic elected officials and leaders have become Republican -- 202 from the South and 14 from Alabama. Churchill

said, "Some men change their principles for their party." These men changed their party for their principles. // They joined us because they want to move beyond an Alabama of status quo toward an Alabama of status grow. // An Alabama of new ideas. // The Alabama of Bill Cabaniss. //

The first new idea is that greater competitiveness and incentives mean greater growth. Look here at Birmingham -- often called the "Pittsburgh of the South." So it once was with steel and iron -- and is today with high tech and higher learning. // Bill Cabaniss wants us to be more competitive: It's time we stop giving the edge to countries we can out-think, out-work, and out-perform any day of the week. And he knows his history: Japan taxes capital gains lightly -- and ~~many~~ Asian countries not at all. // *(Taiwan, Korea, Singapore, + 545)*

As a businessman, Bill knows that lower rates free more capital. So he supports our capital gains tax cut. Once again I call on the Congress to pass that bill. // Yet he also knows that only an educated work force can be a ~~truly~~ competitive work force. So he ~~also~~ ^{is also} backs our Educational Excellence Act of 1990. // Jim's opponent believes the old idea that tax and spend can make our education Number One. Jim believes, and I agree: Excellence comes from the new idea of higher standards, greater accountability, and more involvement by parents and communities.

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Since then, Bill has put intelligence to advantage: Just look at some other of his ^{new} ideas. For instance, ~~he~~ supports Phase II of the 1990 National Drug Control Strategy that we unveiled last year to knock out crime and drugs. We must oppose those who soft-pedal the need to be hard on crime. So Bill wants to expand the death penalty for drug kingpins. // *has been in*

~~Here's another new idea. He introduced an ethics bill to toughen Alabama's conflict of interest laws. And he supports our Administration's ethics legislation to make public service a public trust. // Still another new idea: Bill backs our pioneering legislation to make our environment clean and safe. Supporting the agreement we recently reached with the Senate leadership to cut smog, acid rain, and toxic pollution -- the first rewrite of the Clean Air Act in over a decade. We expect the House to act soon, and as responsibly. (This week is the 20th anniversary of Earth Day. And I can't help thinking what a breath of fresh air Bill Cabaniss would be in Washington, D.C.) I know this: As a staunch defender of the environment, there's one thing Bill wants to make absolutely clear -- Alabama. //~~

He is the only one who has ever been in Alabama. He is the only one who has ever been in Alabama. He is the only one who has ever been in Alabama.

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child-care position rests on that historic 'Bama trait: Common sense. ((I'm reminded of a writer who was asked what he would take if his home were on fire and he could remove only one thing. // "I would take the fire," he replied.)) Like me, Bill Cabaniss supports what works.

That's why he backs our child-care program which gives parents the freedom to choose. A \$10 billion program to help low-income working Americans by increasing choice in child care through tax incentives, not Federal intervention. // We want to ensure that parents, not bureaucrats, decide how to care for America's children. And I will not see the option of religious-based child care restricted or eliminated. // *↑*

dy at / Bill Cabaniss wants to protect religious child-care centers, and parents' freedom to use them. On the other hand, Bill's opponent supports the bill passed last month by the House Democratic leadership. *So* Let's take a look at what this bill would mean to Alabama and every State. *It would cost \$30 billion --* and force many States to change their rules. // *It would create* a Federal Committee -- really, straitjacket -- to *clean up* ~~write~~ national child care standards, mocking local standards and needs. // It would *create new* programs that deprive parents of choice -- even where a church was involved. // *It would* put Federal funds into mindless paperwork -- creating 120 pages of new child care law, and six new grant programs. And who would be hurt the most? You got it: Those who should receive those funds. The parents.

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The truth is, of course, we don't need all this new bureaucracy. It would be ~~redundant, wasteful~~ -- an invitation for Big Brother to run wild. We don't want to expand the budget of the bureaucracy. We want to expand the horizons of our kids. // So let's spurn those who measure progress made by dollars spent and boondoggles built. // And instead give families the money to help them solve the child-care problem. // Liberals say, "The Federal government knows what's best for our children." Bill Cabaniss and I say: "Read our lips -- parents do." //

~~You can see, I think, how much I think of Bill. How much I need him. ^{what} he'll add to the U.S. Senate. I respect him, admire him. We think alike. There's nothing I wouldn't do for his State on the move. And the man who can keep it moving upward. //~~

To some, new ideas mean a bureaucrat picking your pocket. Or Senators who look ^{at} your paycheck the way Colonel Sanders looks at chicken. // Bill Cabaniss knows better. ~~The reason's~~ simple: He knows the family, the taxpayer, the working people of Alabama. Bill Cabaniss' ideas will help those people. And reflect the ~~great~~ spirit of Alabama -- the ~~spirit of~~ America-Can, not Washington-Must. //

So let's help this man. A public servant I trust. A wonderful friend I rely upon. And help him do for America what he's done for Alabama. // Thank you for this occasion. God bless the United States. And let's make Bill Cabaniss the next Senator from the great State of Alabama.

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In the new decade of the '90s, this country will face other enormous challenges. Challenges like the fight against crime and drugs, and our campaign for a cleaner environment. This year Primary Day is June 6 -- D-Day. Well, it's the Republicans with the new ideas to triumph on each front.

For instance, last year we unveiled Phase II of the 1990 National Drug Control Strategy to knock out crime and drugs. We must toughen our laws and expand the death penalty for drug kingpins. Capital Hill doesn't need politicians who soft-pedal the need to be hard on crime. It needs a Bill Cabaniss who believes the penalty should be just as tough as the crime. //

And when it comes to the environment, here too we Republicans have plenty of new ideas to make it clean and safe. From expanding our parks to planting one billion trees a year to banning asbestos, we want to ensure the purity of our natural

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Bill also understands that only an educated work force can be a competitive work force. Alabama needs him and I need him in the Senate to back our Educational Excellence Act of 1990. // Bill's opponent believes in the old and discredited idea that tax and spend can make U.S. education Number One. Bill and I disagree. There's nothing new about excellence. What is new is the idea of demanding higher standards, greater accountability, and more involvement by parents and communities to achieve it.

((You know, Ray Scott says that the fish I catch aren't any bigger than his -- but my stories about them are. // Let me tell a story that's true. In 1961, Bill was at Airborne School in Fort Benning, Georgia. The sergeant called out, "Cah-BAN-ahs." Bill corrected him: "Sir, my name is Cabaniss." // Not surprisingly, at midnight Bill was still running laps and doing pushups. The next day, the sergeant again called, "Cah-BAN-ahs." Bill replied, "YES, SIR.")) //

Talk about a quick study. // But that's just what we need in the U.S. Senate, as this country faces enormous challenges in the new decade of the '90s. // Like the fight against crime and drugs, and our campaign for a cleaner environment. And it's the Republicans who have the new ideas to meet these challenges. //

For instance, in January, we unveiled Phase II of our National Drug Control Strategy to knock out crime and drugs. We must toughen our laws and expand the death penalty for drug kingpins. // Capitol Hill doesn't need politicians who soft-pedal the need to be hard on crime. It needs a Bill Cabaniss who believes the penalty should be just as tough as the crime. //

And when it comes to the environment, here too we Republicans have plenty of new ideas to make it clean and safe. From expanding our parks to planting one billion trees a year to banning asbestos. // What's more, earlier this year we proposed a major rewrite of the Clean Air Act to cut smog, acid rain, and toxic pollution. // I'm glad to say the Senate has now passed a clean air bill -- a bill that was gridlocked through the 1980s.

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// It's been 13 years coming. But no Americans should have to wait another day for clean air. So I call on the House of Representatives to move promptly to produce a bill consistent with the principles I have stated for an environmentally strong and economically sound new Clean Air Act. //

In that spirit, this week is the 20th anniversary of Earth Day. And I can't help thinking what a breath of fresh air Bill Cabaniss would be in Washington, D.C. // Like me, he hopes the House will act soon, and responsibly. As a staunch defender of the environment, there's one thing Bill wants to make absolutely clear -- and that's Alabama. //

Let me close with the issue which perhaps most clearly shows the gulf between new and old ideas. Child care. // Bill's child-care position rests on that historic 'Bama trait: Common sense. // Like me, Bill Cabaniss supports what works.

That's why he backs our child-care program which gives parents the freedom to choose. It's a \$10 billion program to help low-income working Americans by increasing choice in child care through tax incentives, not Federal intervention. // We want to ensure that parents, not bureaucrats, decide how to care for America's children. And I will not see the option of religious-based child care restricted or eliminated. //

Bill Cabaniss wants to protect religious child-care centers, and parents' freedom to use them. But many liberals support the child-care legislation passed last month by the House Democratic

leadership. Let's take a look at what that Bill would mean to this State and every State. //

The House bill would cost \$30 billion -- and force many States to change their rules. // It would create a Federal Committee -- really, a straitjacket -- to produce national child-care standards, replacing local standards that reflect local needs. // And it would put Federal funds into more endless paperwork -- creating 120 pages of new child care law. Who would be hurt the most? Those who need help the most. The parents.

The truth is that we don't need all this new bureaucracy. It would be redundant, wasteful -- an invitation for Big Brother to get involved in yet another part of our lives. We don't want to expand the budget of the bureaucracy. We want to expand the horizons of our kids. // So let's reject those who measure progress made by dollars spent. And instead give families the help they need to solve the child-care problem themselves. // Liberals say, "The Federal government knows what's best for our children." Bill Cabaniss and I say: "Parents do." //

You can see, I hope, how much I think of Bill. How I respect him, trust him, and how much we need him in the United States Senate. //

To some, new ideas mean another new bureaucrat to pick your pocket. // Bill Cabaniss knows better, because he knows the families, the taxpayers, the working people of Alabama. His ideas will help those people. And reflect the spirit of Alabama -- the spirit of America-Can, not Washington-Must. //

I came to this great State to ask you to help this man. A public servant I admire. A wonderful friend I rely upon. Help him do for America what he's done for Alabama. // Thank you for this occasion. God bless the United States. And let's make Bill Cabaniss the next Senator from the great State of Alabama.

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After all, it was a Republican President, Teddy Roosevelt, who ^{we really} really founded the environmental movement. _{as business}

Teddy knew, as I do, that we ^{then what we know today} can have a sound ecology and strong economy. // That means rejecting ^{environment} extremists on both sides -- and ^{we} I will. It means ^{using} caring about market forces, ^{in the service of the environment} and our quality of life -- and ^{we will} I do. Let's keep in mind: We don't have to throw people out of work to protect our environment. //

Instead, we ^{can} ~~ve~~ protected it ^{and we all} through new ideas ^{over a} from expanding our parks to planting one billion trees a year to banning asbestos. [[PICK UP THERE]]

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IF YOU THINK THE CRIMSON TIDE PUTS UP A GREAT FIGHT, JUST KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE REPUBLICAN TIDE HERE IN ALABAMA.

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X AS A STRONG ENVIRONMENTALIST, BILL WOULD BE A BREATH OF FRESH AIR ~~IN~~ REPRESENTING ALABAMA IN THE U.S. SENATE.

X AN EDUCATED WORK FORCE IS AN EMPLOYED WORK FORCE. THE MORE YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN WE HAVE IN GRADUATION LINES TODAY, THE FEWER PEOPLE WE'LL HAVE IN UNEMPLOYMENT LINES TOMORROW.

X LIKE ME, BILL BELIEVES IN HIGH TECH, NOT HIGH TAX.

X WHAT THIS SENATE RACE COMES DOWN TO IS THE OLD ALABAMA VS. THE NEW ALABAMA. BILL WANTS A FUTURE NOT OF STATUS QUO, BUT OF STATUS GROW.

Curt,

Have a great time at the ballgame in Toronto, eh.