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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: DAUB FUNDRAISER
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Governor Orr, Mayor Morgan, Congressman Bereuter [BEE-
righter], Congresswoman Smith, and, of course, future Senator Hal
Daub -- I'll have more on him later. Ladies and gentlemen,
friends.

Thank you, __, for that introduction. It's a pleasure to be
back in one of America's greatest and most Republican States --
two things that go together as naturally as the Cornkusers and
winning football. //

This marks the 75th anniversary of Peony Park -- as its
motto says, "The place to party." ~~This afternoon, I'm here to~~
~~help~~ celebrate the Republican Party. And in the place where
Lawrence Welk made his debut, to add: We may not have any
champagne music ~~today~~, but come November the GOP will be popping
champagne corks on Election Night. //

Let ~~me~~ explain the reasons ~~(-- or as Lawrence would say, "A~~
one and a two." The first was expressed ~~by~~ Henry David Thoreau;
who ~~said~~, "Eastward I go only by force. Westward I go free." //
Traveling here from Washington, ~~freedom lifts you~~ as the
Mississippi nears, mighty and meandering. Arriving, finally in

what, from Air Force One, seems a giant, sprawling checkerboard.

// Freedom equals Nebraska equals the GOP. //

Second, champagne corks will be popping because of what freedom ensures: A Main Street paved with enterprise and opportunity. Historically, Nebraskans have asked not what Washington can do for people -- but what people can do for themselves. On November 8, Nebraskans will vote for candidates whose help people up -- and keep bureaucracies down.

Finally, champagne music will sound five months from now because of a man who has made impossible dreams reality -- the man I've traveled __ miles to support. // He's long been one of you. He's never failed to speak for you. His dreams are as sprawling as the plains. My good friend. Your next United States Senator. Fellow Republicans, Hal Daub. //

((You know, I've been acquainted with Hal for quite a while. And I wanted to come here and personally endorse him. I know that you wanted to hear a few words from a prominent national figure who could really fire up a crowd. // Unfortunately, __'s own Johnny Carson couldn't make it here from Los Angeles -- so I'm here instead. //

((And I'm delighted. For I'll never forget 1978. Hal's first election to Congress. My first of -- so far -- eight campaign trips to help this magnificent public servant. // Here we were, shaking hands outside the Union Pacific Railroad Headquarters. Hal was mobbed. I wasn't even recognized. // Hal, looking back, I know what you're thinking: Some help. //

((Finally, I wandered over to a nearby bus depot. That's where Hal finally found me, talking with two elderly women. That day I didn't make much of a difference. But Hal Daub has always made a difference. As a lawyer and businessman. As a five-term Congressman. And starting in January, he'll make an even greater difference for a people whose guide, as one writer said, "is the sun, the distant hilltops, and their own resolution.")) //

You ^{will be} know, some people say: "It doesn't matter who's elected to -- or which party -- controls the U.S. Senate." // They're the same folks who say it doesn't matter if Nebraska beats Oklahoma. // Fact is: It makes an enormous difference -- for Nebraska, and the Nation. So let me talk about the Hal Daub difference -- and why we need that difference in Washington, D.C.

~~First,~~ the Hal Daub difference will mean a Senator who's in -- not out -- of touch. Already, he's ^{Hal's} visited every county in Nebraska. By November, there won't be a Main Street he hasn't covered. As Senator, he'll be your neighbor -- not a name. He won't be part of the problem on the Hill. He'll be part of the solution here at home. We need the Daub difference in the United States Senate. //

Next, the Daub difference will bring Main Street values to a people which -- geographically and spiritually -- form the heart of America. Working for the family, the farmer, and the taxpayer -- the working people of Nebraska. // Hal Daub knows what makes this region great: Hard work, honesty, and strength of character. Look at his career, his family, his magnificent wife.

// Cindy Daub headed Asian-Americans for Reagan-Bush in 1984 and Bush-Quayle in '88. ^{in fact} It was my honor to appoint her Chairwoman of the Copyright Tribunal. // Hal tells me she's the real vote-getter in the Daub family. Believe me, I know how he feels. // My first lady, Barbara, sends her best to one of the great ladies in the Cornhusker State. // ^{no full, >}

Finally, the Daub difference will alter politics from education to crime and drugs to special interests. As you know, some candidates try to get to the Senate on PAC money: Hal's going to do it on shoe leather. Let others defend policies which measure progress achieved by money collected and promises made.

Hal rejects the old thinking which trusts the fatcats the most. His is a new thinking which trusts ^{ordinary} people the most.

Let me tell you a story about the local ingenuity which places confidence in the people. ((A mother once told her son, "I have a pretty good idea that you skipped your piano lesson and played baseball." // The son said he hadn't. The mother said, "Are you sure?" // The son replied, "Uh-uh. And I have a fish to prove it.")) // That's creativity -- the kind of imagination Hal Daub will bring to the United States Senate.

For instance, if ^{we sure} ~~we~~'d had Hal Daub -- as starting January, the ¹⁶ ~~Senate~~ will -- he would be talking to, and convincing, other Senators to support my Constitutional Amendment restoring voluntary prayer. Let liberal Democrats defend ^{keep us} ~~kicking~~ God out of our ^{the} ~~Nation's~~ classrooms. I say, and Hal Daub agrees: We need the Faith of our Fathers back in our schools. //

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Talking of schools, if we'd had more Senators like Hal Daub, we would have already passed our Educational Excellence Act of 1990. For one year the Senate and House have stalled on this bill. Hal Daub would jump-start them. Our bill wants parents - not Big Government -- to decide which public school their kids attend. Reward schools that cut the drop-out rate. And help U.S. students be first in math and science by the year 2000. Let others promote kooky courses and trendy curricula. I need the Daub difference to help America outthink, outwork, and outperform any Nation any day of the week. //

Next, we come to the three issues where Hal Daub can make a difference as soaring as Nebraska: Farming, the economy, and law and order.

First, agriculture, where as you know, in the late 1980s farm income hit near record levels. Our task is to make good news even better -- and keep Nebraska by helping agriculture thrive.

As the market is changing, by the late 80s, we need to be able to deal with the market.

This year, we're going to write a new Farm Bill. As Hal Daub has told me, it must emphasize market-oriented farm policies giving producers more flexibility to decide what crops to grow. And we need the investment created by passing our capital gains tax cut proposal. // I thought of those who oppose that proposal when someone asked me if I wanted to try that ride outside called "The Black Hole." I try to avoid things that remind me of liberal Democrat economic politics. // At the same time, I feel that we must relax barriers between East and West which expand

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markets for American exports. // I feel strongly that selling our grain to the Soviet Union is in America's best interest as well as theirs. Unlike his opponent, Hal Daub knows that we don't need increased farm subsidies. You can't make money from them. Instead, we need politics that benefit both the farmer and America. Policies that include decreased interest rates, a lower Federal deficit, and increased choice. What's good for agriculture is good for America. The Daub difference knows that when it comes to farming, liberal Democrats don't know what's best. Nebraskans do. //

Daub has been saying we don't need as much as the other side was a subsidy

Next comes the environment. Where Nebraska's use of ethanol as an alternative fuel shows how we can have a strong environment and strong economy. Hal Daub supports our decision from expanding our parks to planting one billion trees a year to banning asbestos. What's more, if we'd had more Senators like him, we'd have already passed our legislation to cut smog, acid rain, and toxic pollution -- the first rewrite of the Clean Air Act in more than a decade -- now in House/Senate Conference.

This bill has been deadlocked for 13 years. That's 13 years too long. So Hal Daub joins me in saying: Let's reject extremists on sides. As a staunch defender of the environment, there's one thing he wants to make absolutely clear. //

Nebraska. Yet he knows we don't have to throw people out of work to protect our environment. So I call on both houses to produce legislation that truly will make a difference. Let's do what Hal

Haub says: Enact a new Clean Air Act that is environmentally safe and economically strong. //

Finally, the Daub difference can help slash crime and drugs. Not only will he fight for a Nebraska that cleans our air -- Hal Daub will help clean up the streets. // If we'd had more Senators like Hal Daub, we would have already passed our Violent Crime Act sent to Congress more than a year ago. Legislation -- now in House/Senate conference -- based on three principles. If criminals commit crimes, they will be caught. If criminals are caught, they will be prosecuted. And if convicted, they will be punished.

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Unlike liberal Democrats, Hal Daub believes we must reject those who soft-pedal the need to be hard on crime. So he supports the provisions of our bill: An exclusionary rule designed to punish the guilty -- and not good cops who have acted in good faith. Reforms to stop the frivolous appeals that are choking our courts. Above all, Hal believes that for anyone who kills a law enforcement officer ^{or other} -- ^{or other} no legal penalty is too tough. And that goes for drug kingpins who threaten a Federal witness, juror, or judge. // We want Congress to enact the steps needed to expand the death penalty. Not some time. Not some place. But across America -- now. //

((You know, as President, I'm confronted with many questions. Like these phoned to the White House recently. One question was, "Does the President shave himself?" // Another: "We're taking a poll, do you watch 'Family Feud'?" // Still

another: "Why does the President use the word 'thing' so much?"

// And my personal favorite -- Lawrence Welk would love this one: "How do you respond to the allegation that the White House does not play enough polka music?" Believe me: We are -- we will.) //

The Hal Daub difference can provide some answers to questions from education to our war against thugs. He'll be more concerned with planting prosperity in the Farmbelt than harvesting contributions inside the Beltway. And as he is, he'll prove worthy of the greatness -- and glory -- of Nebraskans from the bluffs of the Missouri to the Wyoming Line.

Think of the pioneers -- 400,000 in all -- who traveled to Nebraska. They cherished freedom -- each made a difference. As did the heroes who built schools, tamed the land, and raised from dust towns named __, __, __. They, too, showed that as a writer said, "It was [here], on Nebraska's plains, that men began to dream."

For more than a century, Nebraskans have turned impossible dreams into the American Dream. Treasuring values like self-reliance, dignity, love of country, and love of God. You haven't depended on faraway bureaucrats. You've relied on yourselves -- local ideals, creativity, and local autonomy. And thus built the Main Street of America -- an example to the world.

Better government doesn't mean better government. Better government means men like Hal Daub. So let's bring to the Senate the values of Nebraska. By supporting the idea of "Nebraska-

Can," not "Washington-Must." And as I leave you with these words from Lawrence Welk -- "Adios, au revoir, au wiedersehe, good-bye" -- let me thank you for this wonderful occasion. God bless the United States. And let's make Hal Daub the next Senator from the great State of Nebraska. //

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