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- 1 Subject: ~~Statement by the President~~
~~re: appointments and nominations~~
- 2 Meeting with The President's
Commission on Housing & ~~re:~~
~~Work & task of the Commission~~
- 3 Meeting with The Cabinet
~~re: alternative facilities for Ft.~~
~~Chaffee & other alien populations~~
- 4 Chicago schedule Revisions,

re: nomination of Sandra
Day O'Connor as an
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- 5 Speaking notes for address to
"SONS OF ILLINOIS" Republican
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

THE PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE
Tuesday, July 7, 1981

UNPUBLISHED
July 6, 1981
4:00 pm

9:00 am (30 min)	<u>Staff Time</u> (Baker, Meese, Deaver)	Oval Office
9:30 am (15 min)	<u>Senior Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
9:45 am (30 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
10:30 am (10 min)	<u>Dropby at Initial Meeting of the President's Commission on Housing</u> (Craig Fuller) Writing Pool and Photo Coverage (TAB A)	Roosevelt Room
11:30 am (60 min)	<u>Cabinet Meeting</u> (Craig Fuller)	Cabinet Room
12:40 —	Jesse Helms — Oval, JB, FRIEDMAN 1:00 (TAB B)	
Noon — 1:05 (4½ hrs)	<u>Hold for Lunch and Speech Preparation Time</u>	Oval Office or Residence
4:55 pm	<u>The President and Mrs. Reagan depart South Lawn for Andrews for trip to Chicago</u>	South Lawn
11:35 pm	<u>Return South Lawn</u>	South Lawn

(Distributed Tuesday a.m.)

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT
JULY 7, 1981 - 10:45 AM

AS PRES. OF..U.S., I HV..HONOR & PRIVLG
TO MK 1000's ..APPTs TO POSITNS IN..FEDL GOVT.
ECH IS IMPRTNT & DSERVS ..GRT DEAL OF CARE,
FOR ECH INDIVID. .. CALLED UPON TO MAKE HIS OR
HER CONTRIBUTN, OFTN AT PERSNL SACRIFICE, TO
SHAPNG..POLICY OF THS ADMIN. } THUS, ECH HS AN
OBLIGATN TO U & IN VARYNG DEGREES HAS..IMPACT
ON YUR LIFE.

IN ADITN, AS PRES. I HV..PRIVLEGE TO MAKE
.. CERTN NUMBR ..NOMNATNS WHCH HV..MORE LASTNG
INFLUENCE ON R LIVES, FOR THY R ..LIFE-TM
APPTMNTS OF THS M&W CALD UPON TO SERV ON ..
JUDICIARY IN R FEDL DIST. COURTS & CRTS OF
APPEALS. } THS INDIV.s DISPENSE JUSTICE &
PROVIDE FOR US THS MST CHERISHED GUARANTEES
OF PROTECTNS OF OUR CRIMINL & CIVIL LAWS.

BT, W/O DOUBT ..MOST AWESM APPT. A PRES.
CN MK IS TO ..U.S. SUP. CRT. } THS WHO SIT
ON ..SUP. CRT. INTERPRET..LAWS OF R LAND

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& TRULY DO LEAVE THR FOOTPRNTs ON..SANDS OF TM,
LONG AFTR..POLICIES OF PRES.s, SEN's & CONGMN
OF ..GIVN ERA MAY HV PASSD FROM..PUBLIC MEMORY.

AFTR VERY CAREFL REVIEW & CONSIDRATN
I HV MD..DECISN AS TO MY NOMINE TO FILL..
VACANCY ON ..U.S. SUP. CRT CREATED BY ..
RESIGNATN OF JUSTICE STEWART. [SINCE I AM
AWARE OF..GRT AMNT OF SPECLATN ABT THS APPT.,
I WNT TO SHARE THS VERY IMPRTNT DECISN W/U AS
SOON AS POSSIBL.

NDLESS TO SAY, MOST OF..SPECLATN HAS
CNTRED ON..QUESTN OF WHETHR I WLD CONSIDR
A WOMAN..FILL THS 1st VACANCY. [AS..PRESS HAS
ACCURATELY POINTED OUT, DURNG MY CAMPA. FOR
.. PRESIDENCY, I MD..COMITMNT THAT ONE OF MY
1st APPT.s TO..SUP. CRT VACANCY WLD BE..MOST
QUALFIED W. I CLD POSBLY FIND. [THT IS NOT TO
SAY I WLD APPT. A W. MERELY TO DO SO. [THT WLD
NOT BE FAIR TO WOMEN, NOR TO FUTR GENRATNS OF
ALL AM.s WHOSE LIVES ARE SO DEEPLY AFFECTED
BY..DECISIONS OF THE COURT.

RATHR, I PLEDGED TO APPT. A W. WHO MEETS ..
VERY HIGH STANDARDS I DEMND OF ALL CRT APNTEES.

I HV IDENTIFIED SCH A PERSON.

SO, TDAY, ..AM PLEASD..^{CHK}ANNOUNCE THT UPON
COMPLETN OF ALL NECESSARY CKs BY..FBI, I WL SEND
TO ..SENATE..^{CHK}NOMINATN OF JUDGE SANDRA DAY
O'CONNOR OF..ARIZ. CRT OF APPEALS FOR
CONFIRMATN AS AN ASSOC. JUSTICE OF ..U.S.S.C.

SHE IS TRULY .."PERSN FOR ALL SEASONS,"
POSESNG THS UNIQUE QUALTIES OF TEMPERMNT,
FAIRNS, INTELLECTL CAPACITY & DEVOTN TO ..
PUBLIC GOOD WHCH HV CHARACTERIZED THE 101
"BRETERN" WHO HV PRECEDED HER.

I COMEND HER TO U & URGE..SENATE's SWIFT
BIPRTSN CONFIRMATN SO THT, AS SN AS POSIBL,
SHE MAY TAKE HER SEAT ON..COURT & HER PLACE
IN HIST.

B

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 6, 1981

MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON HOUSING

DATE: Tuesday, July 7, 1981

LOCATION: Roosevelt Room

TIME: 10:30 a.m. (10 minutes)

I. PURPOSE

- 1) To demonstrate the importance the President attaches to the work of the Commission.
- 2) To emphasize the importance of the major time commitment the Commission members have made to fulfilling their tasks of the Commission and to thank the members for that commitment.

II. BACKGROUND

On June 17, 1981, the President met in the Oval Office with the Commission Chairman Bill McKenna and Vice Chairman Carla Hills to announce the establishment of the Commission.

This inaugural meeting of all 22 Commission members represents the kickoff of 10 months of hard work by the Commission and its various committees.

In accepting the President's invitation to serve on the Commission, the members have committed themselves to devote an average of 2 days per week to its work. Nearly all the members are busy private sector people. And, therefore such a commitment is very special.

The Commission brings together some of the brightest minds in the housing field including housing lenders, home builders, economists and experts in public policy.

The Commission will look at all aspects of housing in America, and present its findings, and to develop options for, the President's consideration.

To further symbolize the President's concern for the needs of housing, the Commission's offices have now been opened across the street from the White House at 730 Jackson Place. (across the street from Lafayette

NOTE: The Vice President will have sworn in the members of the Commission a few minutes prior to the President's arrival at the Roosevelt Room.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Housing Commission

William F. McKenna, California (Chairman)
Carla Anderson Hills, California (Vice Chairman)
Gordan C. Luce, California
Preston Martin, Illinois
Gary E. Brown, Michigan (Former Congressman)
Richard E. Carver, Illinois (Mayor of Peoria)
Bernard H. Siegan, California
Kenneth J. Thygerson, Colorado
Richard F. Muth, California
Maurice Mann, California
Peter D. Herder, Arizona
Richard L. Fore, Nevada
Stuart A. Davis, Missouri
Bernard J. Carl, Washington, D.C.
G. Richard Dunnells, Maryland
Edward W. Brooke, Washington, D.C. (Former U.S. Senator)
Ms. Lee Goodwin, New York
Richard K. Helmbrecht, Michigan
Robert V. Mathison, South Carolina
Martin Mayer, New York
Charles J. Urstadt, New York

Kenneth Colton, Utah (Staff Director of the Commission)

Others

Secretary of HUD, Sam Pierce
Edwin Meese, III
Martin Anderson
Edwin J. Gray
Mrs. Shannon Fairbanks

IV. PRESS PLAN

White House Press Pool (for President's remarks)

White House Photographer

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

The President's arrival at the Roosevelt Room will come midway in a one hour meeting of the Commission members in the Roosevelt Room

The President will be seated between Chairman Bill McKenna and Vice Chairman Carla Hills when he makes his remarks.
(Talking Points provided)

TALKING POINTS/EJG

I'm very pleased that you have agreed to assist me and this Administration in tackling the critical subject of housing in America.

I'm especially thankful to you for having made the major commitment in time -- time out of your busy lives -- to render this service to us over the next 10 months.

Your tasks are important.

We all know how important housing is to the country. The home is the center of family life and the basic ingredient the neighborhood. Housing means far more than shelter to our society. It is essential to our way of life.

For most people, it represents the most important single investment they will ever make. But more important, the opportunity to own one's own home gives a man or woman a stake in the American system.

It is this stake in America which has given strength and stability -- economic, social and political -- to our way of life through the years.

Home ownership is part and parcel of the American dream. The extent to which we continue to maximize opportunities for home ownership is important to our future.

The search for ways to open up opportunities to home ownership will be one of the tasks of this Commission. The need for adequate rental housing also is an important part of your agenda.

The role of the federal government in housing, and the costs of

such government involvement, are areas where answers are needed. I know that Secretary Pierce will be looking forward to the Commission's findings and so will I.

The impact on the cost of housing from government regulation at all levels is another area which deserves your study. In addition, how we build houses in this country needs to be looked at as a part of the overall impact of the cost of housing and the relationship to homeownership opportunities.

No industry in the country has suffered more from the effects of past economic policies than that of housing. The legacy of those policies is being felt throughout the economy today.

This is why we are trying so hard to get the country moving in a new and different direction. This is why we are targeting our efforts on passage of our Economic Recovery Program.

I believe that enactment of our entire package -- the budget reductions and the cuts in tax rates -- will put us back on the road to economic health and prosperity. By putting the nation's economic house in order, the prospects for the American home, and the housing industry in general, will be greatly enhanced.

There are solid indications now that inflation, though still too high, of course, may finally be under control. I am confident that, with the passage of our Economic Recovery Package, interest rates can come down -- and that will be very good news for housing.

Again, I want to thank all of you for the strong commitment you have made to the work which lies ahead at the Commission.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

MEETING WITH THE CABINET

DATE: July 7, 1981

LOCATION: Cabinet Room

TIME: 11:00 a.m. (60 minutes)

FROM: Craig L. Fuller



I. PURPOSE

The meeting of the full Cabinet is being held to review options presented by the Attorney General concerning alternative facilities for Fort Chaffee and other alien populations.

II. BACKGROUND

Following last week's meeting, the Attorney General met with the appropriate departments and agencies to develop alternatives for the refugees being held at Fort Chaffee.

The memorandum to you was received late Monday and was circulated, however no views will have been received in advance of the meeting.

III. PARTICIPANTS

(List to be distributed)

IV. PRESS PLAN

No press. White House photographer only.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

Call the meeting to order and call on Attorney General to lead the discussion.

For Dave Fischer

CABINET MEETING PARTICIPANTS

Tuesday, July 7, 1981 -- 11:30 a.m.

The Cabinet -- All Members except Dave Stockman

- ✓ James A. Baker, III
- ~~✓ Michael K. Deaver~~
- ✓ Richard V. Allen
- ✓ Martin Anderson
- ✓ Max Friedersdorf
- ✓ Murray Weidenbaum
- ✓ Rich Williamson
- ✓ Richard Darman
- ✓ Craig Fuller
- ✓ Larry Speakes
- ✓ Karen Hart

For Presentations:

- ✓ Ambassador Diego Asencio, Assistant Secretary of State for Consular Affairs
- ✓ David Hiller, Special Assistant to the Attorney General

Guests in attendance:

- ✓ Gael C. Lebby, White House Fellow, HUD
- ✓ Alexander Rodriguez, White House Fellow, HHS

Dave Bergen

Dan Murphy -

Joan Abramson (sp?) - VP Dfc.

Frank Hodsohl

AnaLise Anderson

Karna Small

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 7, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR TRAVELING GUESTS AND STAFF

FROM: STEPHEN M. STUDDERT
SUBJECT: CHICAGO SCHEDULE REVISIONS

Attached are Chicago schedule revisions. Please replace these pages dated 7/7/81 1:00 p.m. with the corresponding pages in the schedule you received earlier today.

As you will note, the changes that have been made are the following:

1. Marine One now departs and arrives at the Reflecting Pool rather than South Lawn. Motorcades as reflected on Pages 1 and 1A, 14 and 15.
2. Mayor Jane Byrne has been deleted from the list of greeters at O'Hare Airport on Page 3..
3. Four greeters have been added to the schedule when THE PRESIDENT arrives Meigs Field on Page 4.

7/07/81 1:00 p.m.

2:30 p.m. Check in for Press Plane at Andrews AFB..

3:15 p.m. Press Plane departs Andrews AFB.
(EDT)

4:00 p.m. Press Plane arrives O'Hare International
(CDT) Airport, Chicago, Illinois.

4:15 p.m. Press Buses depart O'Hare International
Airport en route McCormick Place.

GUEST AND STAFF INSTRUCTIONS

4:00 p.m. Vans for staff not manifested on Marine
(EDT) One and requiring transportation to
Andrews AFB depart West Basement.

4:30 p.m. Guests and staff with own transportation
should be at Andrews AFB, Base Operations
Building. Leave luggage unlocked and
hand-carry all film.

4:45 p.m. Guests and staff manifested on Marine One
should proceed to South Lawn and board
immediately.

4:50 p.m. THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Reagan depart The Residence en
(EDT) route Diplomatic Entrance for motorcade boarding.

THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Reagan depart The White House en
route Reflecting Pool for Marine One boarding.

(Drive Time: 2 min.)

MOTORCADE ASSIGNMENTSLeadSpare

J. Canzeri
D. Fischer

Limo

THE PRESIDENT
Mrs. Reagan

Follow-upControl

M. Deaver
Dr. Ruge
Major John Kline

7/7/81 1:00 p.m.

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Gov. Thompson
Sen. Percy - Cong. H. Wyle.

ADDRESS TO "SONS OF ILLINOIS"
GOP FUNDRAISER - CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Darwinski

JULY 7, 1981

Eisenbom
Jack Block

Mr. Clary
Porter

YOUR WELCOME IS SO WARM I'M SORRY WE
HAVE TO RETURN TO THE CAPITAL THIS EVENING --
FROM ONE WINDY CITY TO ANOTHER -- AND
WASHINGTON DOESN'T HAVE A LAKE TO BLAME
FOR THE WIND.

THAT ISN'T ALL WE HAVE IN COMMON. YOUR
MAYOR MOVED INTO PUBLIC HOUSING TO DRAW
ATTENTION TO THE CONDITIONS THERE -- SO DID
I AND FOR THE SAME REASON.

BACK A FEW YEARS -- AND I'M NOT GOING
TO SAY HOW MANY -- I USED TO BROADCAST
CHICAGO CUBS GAMES. NOW, OF COURSE, THERE IS
A BASEBALL STRIKE. BUT EVERY DARK CLOUD
HAS A SILVER LINING -- FOR ALMOST A MONTH
NOW, THE CUBS HAVEN'T LOST A GAME.

BUT TONIGHT WE ARE HERE TO HONOR A BIG
MAN IN ILLINOIS. NOW THERE IS NO DOUBT
JIM THOMPSON IS TALL. BUT JIM BUILT HIS FAME

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AND A DIFFERENT KIND OF SIZE AS A COURAGEOUS PROSECUTOR, FIGHTING CORRUPTION IN PLACES PEOPLE SAID COULD NEVER BE RID OF IT. HE RESTORED THE PEOPLE'S FAITH IN THOSE WHO HOLD THEIR TRUST IN PUBLIC OFFICE, AND SOUGHT JUSTICE IN GOVERNMENT IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNED.

HE BRINGS TO THE OFFICE OF GOVERNOR THAT SAME INTEGRITY AND COMPETENCE; THE QUALITIES THAT BUILD COALITIONS, THE QUALITIES THAT CAPTURE PUBLIC SUPPORT, THE QUALITIES OF A GREAT LEADER.

I CAN TELL YOU HE HAS BEEN ONE OF OUR STRONGEST SUPPORTERS IN THE FIGHT TO CUT FEDERAL SPENDING. HE KNOWS WE HAVE TO BALANCE THE BUDGET IN WASHINGTON BECAUSE HE HAS BALANCED THE BUDGET IN ILLINOIS FOR THE LAST 4 YEARS. JIM THOMPSON KNOWS AMERICA HAS TO COMPETE IN WORLD MARKETS AND HE HAS WORKED HARD TO MAKE ILLINOIS THE LARGEST, DOLLAR-VOLUME EXPORTER OF AGRICULTURAL

(INSERT)

I'D LIKE TO PREFACE MY REMARKS BY SAYING
THIS HAS BEEN A VERY HAPPY DAY FOR ME -- AND
I HOPE, FOR OUR COUNTRY.

AS I SAID DURING THE CAMPAIGN, I HAVE LONG
BELIEVED THAT THE TIME HAS COME FOR THE
HIGHEST COURT IN OUR LAND TO INCLUDE NOT
ONLY DISTINGUISHED MEN BUT DISTINGUISHED
WOMEN AS WELL.

THUS, WHEN JUSTICE POTTER STEWART REPORTED
HIS RETIREMENT TO US EARLIER THIS YEAR, WE
BEGAN A SEARCH FOR A HIGHLY QUALIFIED WOMAN
WHO WOULD SERVE THIS NATION WELL -- AND
TODAY I ANNOUNCED MY INTENTION TO NOMINATE
JUST SUCH AN INDIVIDUAL: JUDGE SANDRA
O'CONNOR OF ARIZONA.

I HAD THE PLEASURE OF MEETING WITH MRS.
O'CONNOR LAST WEEK, AND I CAN REPORT TO

YOU THAT SHE NOT ONLY HAS A LONG AND BRILLIANT RECORD AS A LEGISLATOR AND JURIST BUT SHE ALSO IMPRESSED ME AS A THOUGHTFUL, CAPABLE WOMAN WHOSE JUDICIAL TEMPERMENT IS HIGHLY APPROPRIATE FOR THE COURT.

AFTER LISTENING TO HER AND EXAMINING HER WHOLE RECORD IN PUBLIC LIFE, I AM FULLY SATISFIED THAT HER APPOINTMENT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE PRINCIPLES ENUNCIATED IN OUR PARTY PLATFORM THIS PAST YEAR.

JUDGE O'CONNOR, IN MY VIEW, WILL BRING NEW LUSTER AND NEW STRENGTH TO THE SUPREME COURT. I FEEL CERTAIN THAT HER TERM UPON THE BENCH WILL BE ONE OF THE PROUDEST LEGACIES OF MY PRESIDENCY.

BUT TONITE ... HR. .. HONOR .. 1316
 MN. - ILL. } NOW - NO DOUBT JIM
 THOMPSON ... TALL - BUT JIM BLT.
 .. FAME -

PRODUCTS IN AMERICA. HE KNOWS PEOPLE OF
DIFFERENT PARTIES CAN WORK TOGETHER
BECAUSE THAT'S HOW YOU DO THINGS IN
ILLINOIS. I RELY ON HIS ADVICE AND
COUNSEL, AND AM GRATEFUL FOR HIS FRIENDSHIP.

THERE IS SOMEONE WHO COULDN'T BE
HERE TONIGHT I WOULD LIKE TO THANK --
CONGRESSMAN BOB MICHEL. HE'S BEEN THE
POINT-MAN FOR OUR CAUSE IN THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES. WITHOUT HIS UNFAILING
AND ABLE HELP, THE VICTORIES WE HAVE WON
THESE PAST FEW WEEKS WOULD NEVER HAVE
BEEN POSSIBLE. BOB HAS OUR THANKS AND
ADMIRATION.

AND, OF COURSE, THERE IS ANOTHER MAN
MISSING WHO SHOULD BE HERE -- JIM BRADY.

BUT JIM'S PARENTS ARE HERE, AND, MR. AND
MRS. BRADY, I WANT YOU TO KNOW I SPOKE
WITH JIM JUST BEFORE I LEFT. HE IS GETTING
BETTER EVERY DAY AND HIS HUMOR IS AS
OUTRAGEOUSLY FUNNY AS EVER. HIS JOB IS

SENT
.. LOVE

WAITING FOR HIM, AND WE ALL HOPE AND PRAY HE'LL BE BACK SOON BECAUSE WE MISS HIM VERY MUCH.

MY FELLOW REPUBLICANS, ONE YEAR AGO IN A MIDWESTERN CITY ONLY A FEW HUNDRED MILES FROM HERE, THOSE OF US IN THE PARTY OF LINCOLN MET IN CONVENTION.

AT THAT TIME AND PLACE, WE PLEDGED AN END TO THOSE ECONOMIC POLICIES THAT HAD SPARKED DOUBLE-DIGIT INFLATION, SOARING UNEMPLOYMENT AND DECLINING ECONOMIC GROWTH.

WE PLEDGED TO END THE UNNECESSARY INTRUSIONS OF GOVERNMENT INTO THE EVERYDAY LIVES OF WORKING AMERICANS.

WE PLEDGED TO END DISRESPECT FOR AMERICA ABROAD, AND TO REBUILD OUR NATIONAL DEFENSE SO AS TO MAKE AMERICA RESPECTED AGAIN AMONG THE NATIONS.

AND YES, WE PLEDGED TO RESCUE AMERICA FROM 4 YEARS OF MALAISE CAUSED NOT BY THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, BUT BY THOSE WHO FAILED TO GIVE AMERICA LEADERSHIP.

WE PLEDGED, IN SHORT, TO REOPEN ALL THOSE ROADS TO GREATNESS THAT LED AMERICA TO UNRIVALED FREEDOM AND UNPARALLELED STRENGTH IN THE WORLD.

WE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT WE COULD NOT UNDO ALL THE HARMFUL EFFECTS OF MISGUIDED POLICY AND SPECIAL INTEREST POLITICS IN A FEW MONTHS OR A FEW YEARS, BUT THAT EARLY IN OUR REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATION -- NO MATTER HOW HARD THE DECISIONS -- WE WOULD STAND BY OUR COMMITMENT TO GET GOVERNMENT UNDER CONTROL AND TO PUT AMERICA BACK ON THE ROAD TO PROSPERITY.

WE ARE KEEPING THAT PLEDGE. WE HAVE MOVED TO CUT FEDERAL SPENDING, TO ELIMINATE EXCESSIVE REGULATIONS, AND TO REDUCE THE STEADILY-GROWING TAX BURDEN ON WORKING MEN AND WOMEN.

WE HAVE MOVED TO REINVIGORATE OUR PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS AND TO RENEW THE CONFIDENCE OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE IN THE GREATNESS OF THEIR

NATION AND IN THEIR VALUES OF FAMILY,
WORK AND NEIGHBORHOOD, VALUES RESPONSIBLE
FOR THAT GREATNESS.

THIS NEW NATIONAL CONFIDENCE ISN'T
JUST REFLECTED IN OPINION POLLS AT HOME --
10 OF OUR MAJOR STEEL PRODUCERS AND 11
OTHER STEEL PRODUCERS ARE SPENDING 3.6
BILLION DOLLARS ON MODERNIZATION OF PLANT
AND EQUIPMENT.

THEN THERE IS THE NEW
FOUND STRENGTH OF THE AMERICAN DOLLAR IN
THE MONEY MARKETS. AND CERTAINLY IT IS
REFLECTED IN THE NEW RESPECT AND DEFERENCE
SHOWN AMERICAN LEADERSHIP BY BOTH FRIEND
AND FOE AROUND THE GLOBE.

SOME IN THE PRESS HAVE BEEN OVERLY
CONCERNED BECAUSE I HAVEN'T MADE A -QUOTE-
MAJOR FOREIGN POLICY ADDRESS -UNQUOTE-
THEIR AUTOMATIC ASSUMPTION IS THAT UNTIL
I DO, WE DON'T HAVE A FOREIGN POLICY.

WELL TO BEGIN WITH I JUST DON'T HAPPEN
TO BELIEVE IT IS NECESSARY TO SPELL OUT IN

DETAIL AND IN ADVANCE A FORMULA WHICH WILL
GUIDE OUR EVERY MOVE IN INTERNATIONAL
RELATIONS.

BASICALLY GOOD FOREIGN POLICY
IS THE USE OF GOOD COMMON SENSE IN DEALING
WITH FRIENDS AND POTENTIAL ADVERSARIES.

WE
KNOW WHERE WE'RE GOING AND THINK IT MIGHT BE
COUNTERPRODUCTIVE TO MAKE A SPEECH ABOUT IT.

OVER AND OVER AGAIN IN LAST YEAR'S
CAMPAIGN IT WAS EMPHASIZED THAT RENEWAL OF
AMERICA'S ECONOMIC MIGHT AND A RETURN TO A
STABLE AND SOUND PROSPERITY WAS THE FIRST
STEP TO A CREDIBLE FOREIGN POLICY.

DURING THE LAST FEW MONTHS -- IN A
STARTLING AND HEARTWARMING DISPLAY OF
NATIONAL UNITY -- REPUBLICANS AND DISCERNING
DEMOCRATS HAVE WORKED TOGETHER TOWARDS THAT
END.

WE HAVE LAID THE FOUNDATION FOR A
LONG-RANGE BUILD-UP OF OUR ARMED FORCES,
BRINGING US NEARER THE DAY WHEN AMERICANS

CAN ONCE AGAIN ENJOY A MARGIN OF SAFETY
AND PEACE WILL BE MADE MORE SECURE.

I RECEIVED A LETTER THE OTHER DAY FROM AN
ENLISTED MAN IN OUR NAVY. HE WROTE THAT
HE WAS SPEAKING FOR HIS ALMOST 200 SHIPMATES.

"I'M BEGINNING TO SEE A REBIRTH THROUGHOUT
THE NAVY OF PRIDE AND PROFESSIONALISM," HE
WROTE.

"IT FEELS GOOD TO BE AN AMERICAN
AGAIN. WE MAY NOT BE THE BIGGEST NAVY IN
THE WORLD BUT WE CERTAINLY ARE THE BEST."

WE HAVE BEGUN TO SOLIDIFY, AFTER YEARS
OF TENSION AND SOMETIMES OPEN DISCORD, OUR
TIES WITH JAPAN AND OUR EUROPEAN ALLIES.

THROUGH THE HABIB MISSION, WE HAVE
HELPED AVERT WAR IN THE MIDDLE EAST. AND
THE MISSION CONTINUES.

WE HAVE FURTHER DEVELOPED OUR
RELATIONSHIP WITH CHINA WHILE WE HAVE STOOD
BY AND WILL STAND BY OUR COMMITMENTS TO
TAIWAN.

IN SOUTHWEST ASIA, WE HAVE REINVIGORATED
OUR STRATEGICALLY IMPORTANT RELATIONSHIP WITH
PAKISTAN; IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, WE HAVE
INITIATED WORK ON A REALISTIC NAMIBIAN
SOLUTION; AND IN THE CARIBBEAN WE HAVE LAUNCHED
AN EFFORT TO ATTACK THE ROOT CAUSES OF
INSTABILITY WHILE WE ARE MAKING IT CLEAR
THE UNITED STATES WILL NOT TOLERATE
INTERFERENCE BY CUBA WITH THE LIVES AND
FREEDOM OF OTHER NATIONS.

AT HOME AND ABROAD -- IN LESS THAN
6 MONTHS -- WE'VE WORKED QUIETLY AND
EFFECTIVELY TO SET OUR AGENDA AND GIVE
PRIORITY TO OUR PROBLEMS -- ADDRESSING
THEM HEAD-ON -- AND THIS HAS BEEN
ACCOMPLISHED IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH THE
PROMISES MADE LAST YEAR TO THE AMERICAN
PEOPLE.

WE ARE KEEPING OUR PROMISE TO ALL OF
THOSE MILLIONS OF AMERICANS WHO HEARD THE CALL

SOUNDED LAST JULY AND WHO RESPONDED LAST NOVEMBER WITH AN OVERWHELMING MANDATE.

WE ARE RESPONDING TO THAT MANDATE NOT BY POLITICS OF DIVISION OR ENVY, BUT BY CLAIMING A SHARE OF THE MORAL HIGH GROUND, BY SUMMONING EVERY AMERICAN -- FROM EVERY WALK OF LIFE, FROM EVERY ETHNIC AND RACIAL GROUP -- TO A FUTURE OF NATIONAL PROSPERITY, OF EXPANDED OPPORTUNITY AND OF GREATER PERSONAL FREEDOM.

LAST YEAR WE WERE DEEPLY DISTRESSED ABOUT THE DIRECTION OUR COUNTRY HAD TAKEN.

OUR COUNTRY FACED GRAVE THREATS.

NOW IN THESE PAST FEW DAYS WE'VE ALL KNOWN THE JOY OF A GREAT BIPARTISAN VICTORY.

WELL, MAYBE NOT ALL OF US. THE MOMENT MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE AFFIRMED THE GRAMM-LATTA BUDGET RESOLUTION AND THE PEOPLE AT LAST BEGAN TO REGAIN CONTROL OF THEIR GOVERNMENT -- THERE WERE SOME IMMEDIATE CRIES OF PAIN. IT WAS EVEN SAID I WAS TRYING TO DESTROY AMERICA.

YOU WONDER WHERE SOME OF THOSE PEOPLE
HAVE BEEN FOR THE LAST FEW YEARS. THE
ANSWER TO THAT IS: RIGHT IN WASHINGTON, D.C.,
IN RESPONSIBLE LEADERSHIP POSITIONS IN
GOVERNMENT.

DOUBLE-DIGIT INFLATION RATES,
UNEMPLOYMENT RATES OF MORE THAN 7 PERCENT,
INTEREST RATES OF 20 PERCENT AND MORTGAGE
RATES OF OVER 15 PERCENT DID NOT JUST
BEGIN ON THE AFTERNOON OF JANUARY 20, 1981.

THEY BEGAN WHEN THIS NATION STARTED
DOWN THE PATH OF GOVERNMENT INTERVENTION,
OF "TAX AND TAX, SPEND AND SPEND, ELECT AND
ELECT." OH -- LET NO ONE FAULT THE MOTIVES
OF THOSE WHO IMPLEMENTED SUCH POLICIES.

THEY ONLY INTENDED TO HELP BUT THEY BASED
THEIR EFFORTS ON AN IMPOSSIBLE EQUATION.

IF I CAN'T PAY FOR MY NEEDS AND YOU CAN'T
PAY FOR YOURS WE CAN'T SOLVE OUR PROBLEM
BY HIRING GOVERNMENT TO TAKE MONEY FROM
BOTH OF US TO GIVE TO EACH OTHER.

SO-CALLED ENTITLEMENT PROGRAMS --
THE REDISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS FROM ONE
GROUP OF CITIZENS TO ANOTHER -- HAS RISEN
BY 453 PERCENT IN THE LAST 13 YEARS,
GOING FROM 63 BILLION DOLLARS TO 346
BILLION DOLLARS IN THE BUDGET PROPOSED
FOR 1982. WE CALL FOR REDUCING THAT 1982
AMOUNT BY 5.2 PERCENT -- 17.9 BILLION
DOLLARS.

I SUBMIT THAT A 5.2 PERCENT REDUCTION
OF FUNDING FOR THOSE PROGRAMS CAN BE MADE
WITHOUT PENALIZING THE TRULY NEEDY OR ANY
OF THOSE THE PROGRAMS ARE INTENDED TO
HELP. THE REDUCTION IS BASED ON KNOWLEDGE
OF RECIPIENTS WHO ARE UNFAIRLY RECEIVING
BENEFITS THROUGH LOOPHOLES AND LOOSE
MANAGEMENT OF ENTITLEMENT FUNDS.

SO IT IS WITH THE OTHER PROPOSED
BUDGET CUTS. TRULY NEEDY PEOPLE INCLUDING
OUR SENIOR CITIZENS ARE BEING CRUELLY AND
UNNECESSARILY FRIGHTENED BY THOSE WHO

CONTRIBUTED TO OUR ECONOMIC MESS IN THE
FIRST PLACE. THE PLANNED MARCH ON WASHINGTON
THIS AUTUMN WILL BE FAR MORE REPRESENTATIVE
OF THOSE WHO ADMINISTER THE BENEFITS THAN
OF THOSE WHO ARE REALLY DEPENDENT ON
GOVERNMENT HELP.

WE AMERICANS ARE A GENEROUS AND
COMPASSIONATE PEOPLE. AND NO PARTICULAR
SEGMENT OF OUR SOCIETY HAS A MONOPOLY ON
THOSE TRAITS. JIM THOMPSON, BOB MICHEL
AND ALL THE OTHERS WHO HAVE BEEN LEADING
AND HELPING SECURE THE BUDGET REDUCTIONS
IN THE GRAMM-LATTA BILL HAVE COMPASSION
FOR THOSE WHO MUST BE HELPED. THEY ALSO
HAVE COMPASSION FOR THOSE LONG SUFFERING
AMERICANS WHO HAVE BEEN PROVIDING THAT
HELP AND WHOSE VOICES HAVE FINALLY BEEN
HEARD IN WASHINGTON.

WITHIN THE LAST FEW WEEKS THE CONGRESS
OF THE UNITED STATES HAS BEEN AN ARENA OF
IDEAS AND COURAGE, WHERE ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES

SUMMONED STRENGTH BORN NOT OF POLITICS
BUT OF STATESMANSHIP. LED BY REPUBLICANS
AND JOINED BY DISCERNING DEMOCRATS, THE
CONGRESS VOTED TO TURN AWAY FROM THE
ESTABLISHED PATTERN OF MORE AND MORE
SPENDING, AND BIGGER AND BIGGER GOVERNMENT.

MEN AND WOMEN OF BOTH PARTIES ARE
COMING TOGETHER WITH A SPIRIT AND A DRIVE
THAT CAN ONLY MEAN GREAT THINGS FOR US,
FOR ALL AMERICANS.

THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE TAKING THEIR
LIVES AND THEIR LIVELIHOODS BACK INTO
THEIR OWN HANDS. THEY ARE REGAINING
CONTROL OF THEIR POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS
AND MAKING THEM RESPOND AGAIN TO THEIR
WILL. THIS MEANS THAT FOR A CHANGE THE
AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE WINNING.

WE HAVE BEGUN THE JOB. BUT THIS IS
NO TIME TO REST, FOR JUST AHEAD OF US
LIES THE LARGEST, MOST DIFFICULT AND MOST
IMPORTANT STEP OF ALL: TO REDUCE THE

ESCALATING TAX BURDEN THAT IS CRUSHING
THE SPIRIT OF ENTERPRISE.

OUR PUNISHING TAX STRUCTURE HAS THE
EFFECT OF DISCOURAGING PEOPLE FROM EARNING
MORE, TAKING AWAY INCENTIVES TO WORK
HARDER AND ACCEPT MORE RESPONSIBILITY.

OUR TAX STRUCTURE, COUPLED WITH INFLATION,
IS LOCKING PEOPLE AND FAMILIES RIGIDLY IN
PLACE, AS THE COST OF LIVING -- THE PRICE
TAG ON THE AMERICAN DREAM -- PASSES OUT
OF REACH.

THIS ALWAYS HAPPENS WHEN POLICY
MAKERS LOSE FAITH. FOR TOO LONG WE HAVE
BEEN BURDENED WITH PEOPLE IN WASHINGTON
WHO WANTED TO SPEND MORE BUT HAD NO FAITH
OUR ECONOMY COULD PRODUCE MORE. SO WHAT
DID THEY DO? THEY TAXED MORE, AND MORE,
AND MORE -- TO THE POINT THAT LAST YEAR
THEY APPROVED THE LARGEST SINGLE TAX
INCREASE IN THE HISTORY OF THIS COUNTRY.

SUCH A GOVERNMENT-DOMINATED ECONOMY
CAN ONLY BE A WITHERING ECONOMY. WE NEED
ONLY LOOK AROUND US FOR EVIDENCE -- WHAT
IS HAPPENING IN POLAND TODAY IS A CLASSIC
EXAMPLE. THERE ARE PROBABLY FEW PEOPLE
AS STRONG AND AS VALIANT AS THE PEOPLE OF
POLAND AND YET THEIR ECONOMY IS DESCRIBED
AS BEING IN A VICIOUS, DOWNWARD SPIRAL.

THIS ISN'T THE FAULT OF THE POLISH
PEOPLE IT IS THE LOGICAL RESULT OF AN
ILLOGICAL SYSTEM -- A SYSTEM THAT HAS NO
TRUST, NO BELIEF, OR FAITH IN PEOPLE.
AND WHEN GOVERNMENT HAS NO RESPECT FOR
ITS CITIZENS, CITIZENS LOSE RESPECT FOR
GOVERNMENT.

THE PROBLEMS WITH THE AMERICAN
ECONOMY ARE NOT THE FAULT OF THE AMERICAN
PEOPLE. THEY ARE RESPONDING AS YOU MIGHT
EXPECT. CONSUMERS AND BUSINESSMEN ARE
MAKING DECISIONS BASED ON HOW TO AVOID
BURDENSOME AND UNNECESSARY REGULATIONS

AND PUNITIVE TAXES. DECISIONS ON INVESTMENT ARE MADE NOT FOR MAXIMUM RETURN, BUT ON TAX STRATEGY. THERE IS A GROWING UNDERGROUND ECONOMY, WHICH IS A DEEPLY DISTURBING TREND, AND THIS KIND OF DELIBERATE DISHONESTY CAN NEVER BE CONDONED. BUT EVEN HONEST TAXPAYERS ARE FEELING A GROWING RESENTMENT TOWARDS INFLATION AND A TAX SYSTEM THAT PROFITS BY INFLATION.

CONTINUING AS WE ARE IS THE GREATEST DANGER WE FACE. THE AMERICAN PEOPLE MUST HAVE TAX RELIEF, AND THEY MUST HAVE IT NOW.

THURSDAY MORNING IN WASHINGTON, A CONGRESSMAN FROM ILLINOIS WILL RECONVENE THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS OF THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

ALL TAX LEGISLATION MUST BEGIN IN THAT COMMITTEE. THAT CONGRESSMAN FROM ILLINOIS, REPRESENTATIVE DAN ROSTENKOWSKI, MUST PROVIDE THE LEADERSHIP NECESSARY TO

REPORT A TAX BILL TO THE HOUSE FLOOR IN TIME FOR THE CONGRESS TO DEBATE IT, AND FOR BOTH HOUSES TO AGREE, AND TIME IS RUNNING OUT.

THE CONGRESS MUST ACT BY EARLY AUGUST, WHEN BOTH HOUSES RECESS, SO THAT NEW TAX TABLES CAN BE MADE. IF THERE IS NO TAX CUT BILL SENT TO MY DESK FOR SIGNATURE BY EARLY AUGUST, THERE WON'T BE A TAX CUT THIS YEAR.

THE SENATE IS READY AND YOU AND I CAN TAKE PRIDE IN THAT. LAST NOVEMBER THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTRY ELECTED A REPUBLICAN MAJORITY IN THE SENATE AND THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE ALREADY HAS AGREED ON A TAX CUT BILL. BUT LET'S BE FAIR AS WELL AS PROUD OF OUR REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP. DEMOCRATIC AND REPUBLICAN SENATORS ON THAT COMMITTEE WORKED TOGETHER, THE VOTE WAS 19 TO 1 FOR A BIPARTISAN BILL THAT COMES VERY CLOSE TO WHAT WE HAD PROPOSED. SENATOR BOB DOLE, CHAIRMAN OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, TELLS ME THE

SENATE WILL ACT ON THE BILL NEXT WEEK.

THAT PUTS THE BALL (AS THE SAYING GOES) IN THE COURT OF CHAIRMAN ROSTENKOWSKI AND THE HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE.

IN THE MEANTIME, IF ALL OF YOU JOIN WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS TO SEND THE SAME MESSAGE TO WASHINGTON, WE'LL HAVE THAT TAX CUT, AND WE'LL HAVE IT THIS YEAR.

AND I'M CONVINCED, ONCE DEBATE IS ALLOWED TO BEGIN ON THE HOUSE FLOOR, WE'LL HAVE A TAX CUT BILL LIKE THE BIPARTISAN BILL ANNOUNCED AT THE WHITE HOUSE LAST

MONTH. WE NEED A TAX BILL, BUT WE NEED THE RIGHT TAX BILL. OUR PROPOSAL IS NOT

A RICH MAN'S WINDFALL AS SOME HAVE FALSELY CHARGED. IT IS FAIR, IT IS EQUITABLE AND IT IS COMPASSIONATE, AND 3/4THS OF THE RELIEF WILL GO TO THOSE WHO ARE PAYING JUST ABOUT 3/4THS OF THE TAX.

OUR TAX CUT PROPOSAL REDUCES TAXES IN PROPORTION TO TAXES PAID. NOTHING LESS

WOULD BE FAIR. OUR TAX CUT PROPOSAL REDUCES

TAX RATES ACROSS-THE-BOARD, BY THE SAME PERCENTAGE FOR EVERYONE WHO PAYS TAXES.

NOTHING LESS WOULD BE EQUITABLE. OUR TAX CUT PROGRAM WILL PROVIDE JOBS IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR, JOBS THAT WILL LAST. OUR PROGRAM WILL PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL. NOTHING LESS WOULD BE COMPASSIONATE.

THE BIPARTISAN TAX CUT BILL THAT WE SUPPORT INCLUDES A 25 PERCENT, ACROSS-THE-BOARD MARGINAL RATE CUT OVER A 3-YEAR PERIOD, A REDUCTION IN THE MARRIAGE PENALTY, ESTATE AND GIFT TAXES ALONG WITH THE ELIMINATION OF ANY ESTATE TAX FOR A SURVIVING SPOUSE, A REDUCTION IN INVESTMENT INCOME TAX FROM 70 TO 50 PERCENT AND INCENTIVES FOR BUSINESS SUCH AS AN ACCELERATED COST RECOVERY SYSTEM. NOW SOME OF THESE FEATURES ARE INCLUDED (I'M HAPPY TO SAY) IN THE TAX PROPOSALS BEING TALKED OF IN THE HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE.

AT THE SAME TIME, HOWEVER, LET ME POINT OUT A VERY CRUCIAL DIFFERENCE, A DIFFERENCE THAT MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE IN THE PROPOSAL BEING BANDIED ABOUT BY SOME OF THE DEMOCRATIC LEADERSHIP IN WASHINGTON, FOR IT IS NO TAX CUT AT ALL. IT IS A TAX INCREASE. THEY ONLY PROPOSE A 15 PERCENT REDUCTION IN THE PERSONAL INCOME TAX. THERE IS PRESENTLY AN ALREADY BUILT-IN TAX INCREASE PLUS THE BRACKET CREEP OF INFLATION WHICH AMOUNTS TO A TAX INCREASE OF NEARLY 22 PERCENT IN THE COURSE OF THE NEXT 3 YEARS. OUR TAX PROPOSAL COUNTERS THIS 22 PERCENT, BUILT-IN INCREASE WITH A 25 PERCENT DECREASE OVER THOSE 3 YEARS IN ADDITION TO ADDITIONAL FEATURES SUCH AS TAX DEDUCTIONS FOR PERSONAL RETIREMENT PLANS, CORRECTION OF THE MARRIAGE PENALTY, ETC. IN OTHER WORDS, THE PRESENT CHOICE IS BETWEEN OUR TAX CUT, OR NO TAX CUT AT ALL -- INDEED A TAX INCREASE.

THERE ARE THOSE WHO OPPOSE THE BIPARTISAN TAX CUT BECAUSE FRANKLY THEY ARE AFRAID THE GOVERNMENT WILL LOSE REVENUE. SOMEHOW THAT DOESN'T STRIKE ME AS A NATIONAL DISASTER.

I'VE SAID MANY TIMES -- GOVERNMENT DOESN'T TAX TO GET THE MONEY IT NEEDS, GOVERNMENT ALWAYS FINDS A NEED FOR THE MONEY IT GETS. MANY YEARS AGO WHEN THE IMPOSITION OF AN INCOME TAX WAS BEING DEBATED IN CONGRESS ONE OF THE PROPONENTS DECLARED, "WE MUST HAVE THIS TAX NOT FOR GOVERNMENT'S NEEDS, BUT FOR GOVERNMENT'S WANTS."

WE MUST CUT THE GROWTH OF SPENDING THIS YEAR, NEXT YEAR AND THE YEAR AFTER THAT. WE MUST ALSO REDUCE THE EXCESSIVE PERCENTAGE OF THE GNP THE GOVERNMENT IS TAKING IN TAXES. GOVERNMENT HAS BECOME A DRAG ON THE ECONOMY. NOW IT'S TRUE, I BELIEVE, AS PRESIDENT KENNEDY DID, THAT OUR KIND OF TAX CUT WILL SO STIMULATE OUR

ECONOMY, WE WILL ACTUALLY INCREASE GOVERNMENT REVENUE -- BUT THE GNP WILL BE INCREASED EVEN MORE SO THAT GOVERNMENT'S EXCESSIVE PERCENTAGE WILL BE REDUCED. PLAINLY AND SIMPLY OUR TAX PLAN, WHILE IT WILL REDUCE THE BURDEN FOR EACH OF US, IS INTENDED TO STIMULATE THE ECONOMY, INCREASE PRODUCTIVITY AND PROVIDE JOBS.

PRESIDENT KENNEDY PUT IT VERY WELL WHEN HE SAID THAT "AN ECONOMY HAMPERED BY RESTRICTIVE TAX RATES WILL NEVER PRODUCE ENOUGH REVENUE TO BALANCE OUR BUDGET."

YOU KNOW, I'M TIRED OF HEARING OUR OPPONENTS JUSTIFY THEIR OPPOSITION BY SAYING THEY ARE THE PARTY OF THE WORKING PEOPLE. AS YOU WELL KNOW, FOR A LONG TIME I BELIEVED THEY WERE. IN FACT, I THINK SOME OF THEIR PAST LEADERS NOT ONLY BELIEVED THEY WERE BUT DEDICATED THEMSELVES TO THAT CAUSE.

BUT TODAY, THERE IS A DISENCHANTMENT WITH THE LEADERSHIP OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY BY MILLIONS OF PATRIOTIC DEMOCRATS WHO SEE THAT LEADERSHIP STUBBORNLY CLINGING TO THE BELIEF THAT ONLY MORE AND BIGGER GOVERNMENT IS THE ANSWER TO OUR PROBLEMS.

IT IS SIGNIFICANT THAT AT LAST YEAR'S DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION AN INORDINATE PERCENTAGE OF DELEGATES WERE NOT RANK AND FILE WORKING PEOPLE BUT PUBLIC EMPLOYEES WHO HAD A PERSONAL STAKE IN CONTINUED BIG GOVERNMENT.

JUST THE OTHER WEEK A FORMER DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSMAN, RECENTLY ELECTED TO A LIBERAL LEADERSHIP POSITION, SAID FREE ENTERPRISE COULD BE TOO CRUEL. WHAT WE NEED, HE SAID, IS THE "GENTLE FORCE OF GOVERNMENT."

THE GENTLE FORCE OF GOVERNMENT? FOR THE WORKING MEN AND WOMEN WHO CAN'T GET A JOB, CAN'T BUY A HOUSE, OR CAN'T KEEP UP WITH THE COST OF LIVING, THAT FORCE OF GOVERNMENT HAS ALL THE GENTLENESS OF A MAILED FIST.

WHICH REALLY IS THE PARTY OF THE PEOPLE?

THE PARTY THAT EMBRACES THE FAILED
POLICIES THAT WILL CONTINUE HIGH INFLATION?

OR THE PARTY THAT WANTS TO STOP IT?

THE PARTY WHOSE ONLY ANSWER TO
UNEMPLOYMENT IS TEMPORARY MAKE-WORK, OR
THE PARTY THAT IS WORKING TO PRODUCE
PRIVATE SECTOR JOBS, JOBS WITH A FUTURE?

THE PARTY THAT SEES GOVERNMENT AS THE
BENEVOLENT MASTER OF THE PEOPLE OR THE
PARTY THAT SAYS THE PEOPLE ARE MASTER OF
GOVERNMENT?

THE PARTY THAT LAST YEAR GAVE US THE
LARGEST SINGLE TAX INCREASE IN THE HISTORY
OF THIS NATION, OR THE PARTY THAT IS
FIGHTING HARD TO REDUCE TAX RATES?

CARL SANDBURG WROTE OF THE DAYS WHEN
OUR PARTY WAS FORMED, TENSE AND RESTLESS DAYS
OF GROWTH IN THE 1850's. AMERICA WAS TORN
BY THE ISSUE OF SLAVERY. NEIGHBORS WERE
TURNING AGAINST NEIGHBORS IN KANSAS & MISSOURI.

LIBERTY AND FREEDOM FOR ALL MEN WAS AT STAKE. POLITICAL ELEMENTS IN ILLINOIS AND IN OTHER STATES WERE HOLDING CONVENTIONS TO ESTABLISH STATE PARTIES AND CREATE A NATIONAL REPUBLICAN PARTY.

ILLINOIS DELEGATES MET IN BLOOMINGTON IN MAJOR'S HALL, UPSTAIRS OVER A STORE NEAR THE COURTHOUSE SQUARE. ALL STRIPES OF POLITICAL BELIEF WERE THERE: WHIGS, BOLTING DEMOCRATS, FREE-SOILERS, AND ABOLITIONISTS.

AFTER SEVERAL DELEGATES SPOKE, THERE WERE CALLS FOR LINCOLN. HE STOOD UP. THERE WERE CRIES, "TAKE THE PLATFORM," AND HE DID. HE OBSERVED WE WERE IN A TRYING TIME AND THAT UNLESS POPULAR OPINION MADE ITSELF VERY STRONGLY FELT AND A CHANGE WAS MADE IN, AS HE PUT IT, "OUR PRESENT COURSE," THE NATION WOULD TURN AGAINST ITSELF.

HE GAVE THE CONVENTION A ROUSING SPEECH THAT WAS THE TONGUE AND VOICE OF THOSE

PRESENT, A SPEECH AGAINST SLAVERY, BUT A
SPEECH ABOUT LIBERTY AND FREEDOM. HE TOLD
THOSE PRESENT THAT IF THE SAFEGUARDS OF
LIBERTY ARE BROKEN DOWN FOR SOME, THEY ARE
BROKEN DOWN FOR ALL. HE CALLED ON AMERICANS
TO BE TRUE TO THEMSELVES, AND TO PROTECT
THEIR FREEDOM WITH THEIR BALLOT. HE WAS
TELLING WHY THE REPUBLICAN PARTY WAS BEING
ORGANIZED.

LATER A DELEGATE TO THE SECOND NATIONAL
CONVENTION OF THE NEW PARTY WHERE LINCOLN
HAD BEEN NOMINATED FOR PRESIDENT, REPORTING
ON THE CONVENTION TO THE FOLKS BACK HOME,
SAID:—"WE KEPT IN MIND THAT THE REPUBLICAN
PARTY HAD SPRUNG FROM THE INDIGNATION OF
THE PEOPLE, AND HAD GAINED ITS STRENGTH
BY THE UPRISING OF THE POPULAR HEART FOR GREAT
POSITIVE IDEAS; THAT IT IS A PARTY OF
VOLUNTEERS HELD TOGETHER NOT BY DRILL AND
COMMAND, BUT BY THE MORAL POWER OF A GREAT
COMMON CAUSE."

OURS IS THAT PARTY STILL BUILDING AND
EXPANDING A COALITION DRAWN FROM THE HEART
OF THIS LAND, A COALITION THAT WILL AGAIN
CHANGE A COURSE WE'VE BEEN ON FOR FAR TOO
MANY YEARS. WE ARE A COALITION OF AMERICANS
WILLING TO BE TRUE TO OURSELVES, WILLING
TO INVEST OURSELVES IN A "GREAT COMMON
CAUSE," THE FUTURE OF AMERICA.

OUR COUNTRY NEEDS OUR MINDS AND OUR
ENERGIES. THERE CAN BE NO NEW WEALTH
UNLESS WE CREATE IT, NO NEW DISCOVERIES
UNLESS WE FIND THEM, AND WE WILL NOT CREATE
OR DISCOVER UNTIL WE ARE WILLING TO RISK A
LITTLE FIRST.

WE HAVE INHERITED FROM OUR FOREFATHERS
AND POSSESS BY OUR FREEDOM THE STRENGTH
OF WILL THAT ENABLES US TO THRIVE. WE BELIEVE
TOMORROW WILL BE BETTER, WE ARE WILLING TO
TAKE A CHANCE ON OURSELVES.

IF WE ARE FREE TO DARE, AND WE ARE;
IF WE ARE FREE TO GIVE, AND WE ARE; THEN
WE ARE FREE TO SHAPE THE FUTURE AND HAVE
WITHIN OUR GRASP ALL THAT WE DREAM THAT
FUTURE WILL BE.

WE'VE TRIED THE "GENTLE FORCE OF
GOVERNMENT" FOR ALMOST 40 YEARS. IT'S TIME
FOR A CHANGE.
