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AUGUSTA, Kans., Oct. 7 -- Republican candidate for the U.S. Senate Bob Dole tonight said "this nation cannot afford another Democrat administration and Democrat-controlled Congress."

In a speech here at a Republican fund-raising rally, Congressman Dole said, "The proliferating policies of the Great Society supported by federal over-spending in Congress have driven this country into deep financial problems."

"Since 1960," he said, "taxpayers have been saddled with \$64 billion in new debt, and its by-product -- inflation-- which has taken 13 cents in buying power out of every dollar."

Dole charged that spending programs "pushed through" by a Democrat-controlled Congress have "gobbled up \$30 billion increases in individual taxes and another \$10 billion in corporate taxes, and we're still \$64 billion in debt."

"This country cannot continue this kind of unreasonable and dangerous spending without further imperiling the dollar and jeopardizing the financial future of every American."

"What is needed are realistic federal spending policies that give taxpayers the efficient, effective government they rightly expect, not the wasteful, overgrown bureaucracy we now have."

"To those who are critical of those of us who advocate reining in the federal budget, I say we can no longer live beyond our means," Dole said.

"Several less urgent projects and programs will have to be postponed until we have our more compelling domestic and foreign crises solved."

"Cutting the budget always hurts, someone, somewhere," he said. "But it is our only alternative if we are to get this country moving forward again responsibly and responsively."