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REPUBLICAN VICTORY IN ARKANSAS

DOLE HAILS NATIONWIDE VITALITY OF REPUBLICAN PARTY, NEW ARKANSAS LT. GOVERNOR MIKE HUCKABEE

It wasn't all that long ago when the media was reading the last rites to the Republican party.

After all, the Democrats controlled the White House. The Democrats controlled the Senate. And the Democrats controlled the House.

But one thing we've learned over the past few months is that Americans are having second thoughts about giving Democrats control over their pocketbooks.

As Mark Twain said, the reports of the death of the Republican party have been greatly exaggerated.

No doubt about it. The Republican party is alive and well and on the move from one end of America to the other.

It started last November in Georgia, with the election of Paul Coverdell to the United States Senate. Then, in Texas, where Kay Bailey Hutchison won a historic and record shattering victory.

Next in Los Angeles, where the city elected its first Republican mayor in three decades.

And also in Wisconsin, California, and Mississippi, where Republican Congressional candidates far exceeded expectations in districts with overwhelming Democrat majorities.

And today, there's new hope for Republicans. Not Hope, Arkansas, but hope in Arkansas, where voters have chosen Republican Mike Huckabee as their Lieutenant Governor.

The Huckabee victory was only the fourth time this century that a Republican has been elected to an Arkansas statewide office.

From Los Angeles to Little Rock, the American voters are sending a message that they want competition between the parties, and that the days of one-party rule are over.

And more than winning elections, the Republican party is also winning on the issues. The American people understand that we are the party of the taxpayers. We are the party of the working man and woman. We are the party that wants to cut spending first.

And come this fall, voters in Virginia, New Jersey, and New York City will also unite behind Republican candidates and Republican solutions.

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