

REMARKS OF THE HONORABLE BOB DOLE
REPUBLICAN DINNER FOR THE HONORABLE ED ESHLEMAN
LEBANON, PENNSYLVANIA
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I AM PLEASED WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HERE IN PENNSYLVANIA WITH YOU TONIGHT, AND I AM PROUD TO COME HERE ON BEHALF OF ED ESHLEMAN.

YOU KNOW THIS IS A POLITICAL FUND RAISING DINNER. YOU KNOW I'M HERE TO TELL YOU WE'VE GOT A HARD FIGHT COMING UP, AND YOU'VE GOT TO WORK WITH ALL YOU HAVE TO RETURN CONGRESSMAN ESHLEMAN TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. YOU KNOW THIS IS NOT A TESTIMONIAL DINNER AND WE ARE HERE LIKE LATTER-DAY MARK ANTONY'S, NOT TO PRAISE BUT TO RE-ELECT HIM -- WELL, I'M SORRY. I AM HERE TO PRAISE HIM.

I HAD NOT SIMPLY THE HONOR, BUT THE GREAT GOOD FORTUNE, TO SERVE WITH ED ESHLEMAN IN THE HOUSE. ED'S FIRST TERM IN THAT GREAT BODY WAS MY FOURTH AND LAST, BUT HE DISPLAYED GREAT POTENTIAL FOR CONTRIBUTION TO OUR GOVERNMENT IN THAT FIRST TERM. AND IN THE PAST TWO YEARS HE HAS LIVED UP TO THAT POTENTIAL. HIS YEARS OF SERVICE IN THE PENNSYLVANIA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SERVED HIM WELL, AND ESPECIALLY IN EDUCATION, HIS FIELD OF SPECIAL INTEREST AND EXPERTISE, HE HAS BECOME KNOWN AS ONE OF THE MOST DILIGENT AND WELL-INFORMED MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE.

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AND IN A TIME WHEN MORE AND MORE AMERICANS ARE EMBRACING THE IDEA OF "JUST ENOUGH TO GET BY", ED ESHLEMAN IS AN ANACHRONISM.

IN A TIME MANY ARE CONTENT TO SAY, "LET THE OTHER GUY DO IT," ED ESHLEMAN DOES IT HIMSELF.

IN A TIME WHEN THESE ATTITUDES EXTEND INTO THE LEGISLATURE OF THESE UNITED STATES, ED ESHLEMAN SETS AN EXAMPLE OF DEVOTION TO HIS CONSTITUENTS, AND TO HIS COUNTRY THAT HAS EARNED HIM THE HIGHEST REGARD OF GOOD MEN ON BOTH SIDES OF THE AISLE IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THE TIME FOR MEN LIKE ED ESHLEMAN IS ALWAYS -- AS LONG AS THE ROOTS OF LIBERTY IN THESE UNITED STATES ARE NOURISHED BY THE DILIGENT EFFORTS OF STRONG AND GOOD MEN OF PRINCIPLE, AS LONG AS THE FUTURE OF THESE UNITED STATES DEPENDS UPON THOSE WHO PUT THEIR COUNTRY BEFORE THEMSELVES -- JUST SO LONG WILL THERE BE A TIME FOR MEN LIKE ED ESHLEMAN.

NIXON LEADERSHIP

MY FELLOW REPUBLICANS, THE PAST FOUR WEEKS HAS BEEN A HIGHWATER MARK IN AMERICAN STATESMANSHIP.

LEADERSHIP IS AN ILLUSIVE QUALITY. THERE WAS A TIME WHEN AMERICA CALLED, A HUNDRED THOUSAND VOICES ANSWERED; WHEN MEN OF COURAGE WERE NEEDED, AMERICA PRODUCED THEM; WHEN MEN OF WISDOM WERE WANTED, AMERICA HAD THEM; WHEN LEADERSHIP WAS DEMANDED, THE MAN AND THE HOUR MET.

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IN RECENT YEARS, WE HAVE WONDERED WHERE DID IT ALL GO -- WHAT HAPPENED IN AMERICA? CERTAINLY WE HAVE HAD OUR MEN OF COURAGE AND WISDOM; CERTAINLY WE HAVE HAD THE DIRKSSENS AND THE EISENHOWERS, BUT THEIR VOICES HAVE BEEN LONELY VOICES AND THEIR VIRTUES LONELY VIRTUES, WHILE THE POLITICS OF A GREAT NATION WERE SUBORDINATED TO AMBITION, TO APPETITIE AND EXPEDIENCY. AND THE QUIET AMERICAN -- THE WORKING AMERICAN, THE AMERICAN WHOSE ANSWER TO THE WAR ON POVERTY HAS EVER BEEN "GET A JOB" -- HE CONTINUED TO CARRY AMERICA AS THE BURDENS OF WELFARE, OF THE NON-WORKING, FREE-LOADER WHO THINKS THE COUNTRY OWES HIM OR HER A LIVING; AS THE BURDENS OF WAR GREW HEAVIER, TAKING OUR MONEY AND OUR SONS; AS THE BURDENS OF FEDERAL GIVE-AWAY PROGRAM GREW HEAVIER, HE CARRIED IT ALL -- THIS QUIET, WORKING AMERICAN, PATIENT AND STRONG AS EVER, WAITING FOR THE DAWN THAT HAD TO COME.

AND IT CAME TWO YEARS AGO. THE FIRST RAYS BROKE THROUGH, THE TASK OF RE-ORDERING PRIORITIES AND TURNING AMERICA AROUND IS NO SMALL TASK. BUT IT IS BEING DONE. AND **FOUR** WEEKS AGO WE SAW ANOTHER MAJOR STEP TAKEN ALONG THE GREAT HIGH ROAD BACK TO MORAL PRE-EMINENCE FOR AMERICA.

AND THAT STEP WAS TAKEN, I AM DEEPLY PROUD TO SAY, IN MY HOME STATE OF KANSAS.

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THERE, PRESIDENT NIXON SPOKE TO 16 THOUSAND STUDENTS AT KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY. AND IN THE SIMPLE ELOQUENCE OF HIS ADDRESS WE KNEW, IF WE HAD NOT KNOWN BEFORE, THAT THE SUN IS UP; COURAGE, AND WISDOM ARE ONCE MORE TO BE HONORED IN AMERICA. THAT RARE CAPACITY FOR DOMESTIC DIPLOMACY WHICH IS THE HALLMARK OF THE GREAT DEMOCRATIC LEADER IS SEEN AGAIN -- HEARD AGAIN -- IN AMERICA, IN OUR PRESIDENT, RICHARD M. NIXON.

AS OUR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES OPEN THEIR DOORS FOR ANOTHER ACADEMIC YEAR, WE AS A NATION HAVE BEEN CONSCIOUS OF RAPIDLY APPROACHING A TIME OF DECISION -- A TIME WHEN WE MUST DETERMINE TO SAVE THE GREAT CENTERS OF LEARNING IN THIS NATION -- OR RELINQUISH THEM FOREVER TO A GENERATION OF VIPERS; AND WITH THEM RELINQUISH FOREVER OUR HIGH DESTINY AS A PEOPLE.

RICHARD NIXON SAW THE TURNING POINT, AND MADE CLEAR AND CERTAIN TO ALL THE CHOICE THIS NATION INTENDS TO MAKE: "THE TIME HAS COME," HE SAID, "FOR US TO RECOGNIZE THAT VIOLENCE AND TERROR HAVE NO PLACE IN A FREE SOCIETY, WHOEVER THE PERPETRATORS AND WHATEVER THEIR PURPORTED CAUSE. IN A SYSTEM THAT PROVIDES THE MEANS FOR PEACEFUL CHANGE, NO CAUSE JUSTIFIES VIOLENCE IN THE NAME OF CHANGE."

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THE PRESIDENT HAS SOUNDED NO UNCERTAIN TRUMPET. IN HIS WORDS, "THOSE DECENCIES, THOSE SELF-RESTRAINTS AND THE WILLINGNESS TO LISTEN TO SOMEONE ELSE AND NOT SHOUT HIM DOWN, THOSE PATTERNS OF MUTUAL RESPECT FOR THE RIGHTS AND THE FEELINGS OF ONE ANOTHER, ARE WHAT WE MUST PRESERVE, IF FREEDOM ITSELF IS TO BE PRESERVED."

MY FELLOW REPUBLICANS, THE ESSENCE OF LEADERSHIP IS DECISIVENESS -- IT CANNOT, IT MUST NOT, EQUIVOCATE. AND THERE IS NO EQUIVOCATION IN THE WORDS OF OUR PRESIDENT -- THERE IS NOTHING LESS AT STAKE THAN FREEDOM ITSELF. IT MUST BE PRESERVED.

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FOR IF WE PERMIT FREEDOM TO BE ATTACKED ON OUR CAMPUS, IF WE WATCH FREEDOM FALTER IN OUR CITIES, IF WE LACK THE COURAGE TO STAND FOR LIBERTY HERE, THEN HOW SHALL WE LIVE WITH THE KNOWLEDGE THAT OUR SONS HAVE FALLEN TO PRESERVE LIBERTY IN SOUTHEAST ASIA.

IF WE PERMIT THE APOSTLES OF ATHEISM, AND THE AMBASSADORS OF ANARCHISM TO SHROUD THE LAMP OF LIBERTY IN AMERICA, THAT LIGHT WILL DIE, NOT ONLY ON OUR OWN SHORES, BUT AROUND THE WORLD. AND IF THAT LIGHT DIES, WE WILL NOT SEE IT REKINDLED IN OUR TIME, NOR IN OUR CHILDREN'S TIME, NOR IN THE TIME OF OUR CHILDREN'S CHILDREN.

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I DO NOT BELIEVE WE ARE PREPARED TO SEE THAT LIGHT DIE. AND I AM CONFIDENT THAT IT WILL NOT. THE SURGE OF NEW ASSURANCE AND CERTAINTY WHICH I SAW RICHARD NIXON KINDLE ON THE PLAINS OF KANSAS FOUR WEEKS AGO MAKES ME CONFIDENT THAT IT WILL NOT.

NEW PEACE INITIATIVE

AND AGAIN LAST EVENING, WE SAW THIS QUALITY OF LEADERSHIP, THIS DECISIVENESS. AS THE NATION WATCHED, PRESIDENT NIXON -- FIRMLY, CLEARLY AND DECISIVELY -- DETAILED THE MOST FAR-REACHING AND MOST GENEROUS PEACE INITIATIVE THIS NATION HAS EVER TAKEN TO END THE WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA.

HE PROPOSED FIVE SPECIFIC POINTS TO SERVE AS THE BASIS FOR A LASTING AND JUST PEACE IN THAT TROUBLED CORNER OF THE WORLD.

SPECIFICALLY, THE PRESIDENT'S PLAN INCLUDES:

- AN IN-PLACE CEASE-FIRE BY ALL ARMED FORCES IN INDOCHINA,
- A PEACE CONFERENCE ON ALL OF INDOCHINA: NORTH AND SOUTH VIETNAM, LAOS AND CAMBODIA,
- A NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT FOR THE SCHEDULED WITHDRAWAL OF ALL AMERICAN FORCES,
- COOPERATION IN THE SEARCH FOR A FAIR AND REPRESENTATIVE POLITICAL SOLUTION IN VIETNAM,
- IMMEDIATE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL PRISONERS OF WAR BY ALL PARTIES TO THE CONFLICT.

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THESE ARE SUBSTANTIVE AND MEANINGFUL PROPOSALS. ONCE AGAIN, PRESIDENT NIXON HAS MOVED DECISIVELY AND FIRMLY IN PROVIDING THE LEADERSHIP WHICH OUR COUNTRY SO DESPERATELY NEEDS IN THESE FAST-PACED AND TUMULTUOUS TIMES.

SUPPORT IN CONGRESS

BUT IT IS NOT ENOUGH TO HAVE A PRESIDENT WE CAN RELY ON IN THE EXTREMITY. IF THE PRESIDENT IS TO MOVE AMERICA FORWARD, THEN HE MUST HAVE MEN AROUND HIM THAT HE CAN DEPEND ON. HE MUST HAVE A CONGRESS WHICH WILL GIVE HIM THE LEGISLATION HE NEEDS TO FULFILL THE MANDATE OF THE PEOPLE. THIS ADMINISTRATION HAS ACCOMPLISHED MUCH SINCE COMING INTO OFFICE.

BUT MUCH OF WHAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED, NOT BECAUSE OF A CONGRESS RESPONDING TO PRESIDENTIAL INITIATIVES AND TO THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE, BUT RATHER IN SPITE OF A CONGRESS WHICH HAS, ALL TOO OFTEN, REACTED IN FEAR AND JEALOUSY OF THE PRESIDENT'S EFFORTS, AND IN CALCULATED DEFIANCE OF THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE.

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THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ELECTED RICHARD NIXON, BECAUSE THEY WANTED THE WAR IN VIETNAM CONCLUDED QUICKLY AND HONORABLY, AND NOT STRETCHED FARTHER AND FARTHER ACROSS A CREDIBILITY GAP. AND THE PRESIDENT HAS SET ABOUT DOING WHAT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE HIRED HIM TO DO, AND LAST EVENING WAS THE LATEST AND THE CLEAREST EVIDENCE OF HIS LEADERSHIP. OUR MEN ARE COMING HOME. OUR CASUALTY LISTS HAVE FALLEN. OUR ALLIES HAVE TAKEN UP THE BURDEN OF DEFENSE AND THEY BEAR IT WELL BECAUSE OUR FORCES, ACTING UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF THE PRESIDENT, HAVE INSTRUCTED THEM WELL.

WHAT HAS BEEN THE RESPONSE TO THE PRESIDENT'S EFFORTS IN THE CONGRESS? AN ASTONISHING RESPONSE. SOME OF THOSE WHO ONCE STOOD PROUDLY AND MINDLESSLY IN FAVOR OF AN ENDLESS STREAM OF AMERICAN MEN AND MONEY INTO VIETNAM HAD NOW CHANGED THEIR MINDS. SUDDENLY, THE WAR WASN'T POLITICALLY USEFUL ANYMORE. SO THEY TURNED AROUND AND SUDDENLY, THEY WERE FOR "PEACE". THEY WERE FOR PEACE SO LOUDLY THAT ONE WOULD HAVE THOUGHT NOBODY ELSE IN THE WORLD WAS FOR PEACE. AND SO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ELECTED A MAN CAPABLE OF ACHIEVING PEACE, AND INSTEAD OF SUPPORTING HIS EFFORTS, THE PEACE-OPPORTUNISTS IN CONGRESS HAVE HAMPERED HIM AT EVERY STEP -- DOING EVERYTHING LIKELY TO PROLONG THE INTRANSIGENCE OF HANOI. AND AT THE SAME TIME, THEY CRITICIZE HIM FOR NOT BRINGING PEACE QUICKLY ENOUGH.

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WELL, MY FELLOW REPUBLICANS, HE IS BRINGING PEACE. AND HE IS REVEALING THE HYPOCRISY OF THOSE WHO SEE PEACE AS A POLITICAL OPPORTUNITY, INSTEAD OF A MORAL OBLIGATION.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, PEACE IS NOT A POLITICAL ISSUE. THE MEN WE SEND TO SOUTHEAST ASIA ARE NOT PAWNS IN A CHESS GAME. THEY ARE THE WEALTH OF THIS NATION. WE ARE NOT LOSING SERIAL NUMBERS IN THOSE JUNGLES AND SWAMPS, WE ARE LOSING THE POTENTIAL OF A GENERATION -- WE ARE LOSING SURGEONS AND SCIENTISTS; WE ARE LOSING FARMERS AND POETS AND PAINTERS AND LEADERS AND STATESMEN; AND WE KNOW IT, AND WE KNOW IT WITH A PAIN IN OUR HEARTS THAT NOTHING WILL EVER PUT TO REST.

THIS IS A HARD THING, THIS WAR. AND IT IS A HARD THING TO TOLERATE THE VICIOUSNESS OF THOSE POLITICIANS WHO ARE DETERMINED TO CASH IN ON IT RIGHT DOWN TO THE LAST DROP OF SOMEBODY ELSE'S BLOOD.

THIS IS WHAT RICHARD NIXON HAS HAD TO BEAR AS HE HAS GONE ABOUT THE DELICATE TASK OF DISENGAGEMENT IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. THIS IS THE AWFUL PRICE HE HAS HAD TO PAY TO DO THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE.

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IN TIMES LIKE THESE, I KNOW THE PRESIDENT TAKES STRENGTH FROM THE STEADFAST LOYALTY, THE QUIET COURAGE, AND THE RICH COUNSEL OF MEN LIKE ED ESHLEMAN.

ORDER AND JUSTICE

THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ELECTED RICHARD NIXON AS WELL, BECAUSE THEY REMEMBERED A TIME IN AMERICA WHEN CHILDREN COULD WALK OUT WITH A DOG IN THE EVENING AND THEIR PARENTS NEVER WORRIED; BECAUSE THEY REMEMBERED A TIME WHEN A WOMAN COULD WALK TO CHURCH ALONE, IF SHE CHOSE, AFTER SUNDOWN, WITH NO FEAR IN HER HEART; BECAUSE THEY REMEMBERED THERE WAS A TIME WHEN ORDER WAS THE LAW, AND THE LAW WAS RESPECTED.

BUT, AS YOU LOOK ACROSS AMERICA TODAY, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, YOU KNOW THAT THE LAND OF THE FREE HAS BECOME THE LAND OF THE FRIGHTENED. I SAW A CARTOON IN A WASHINGTON NEWSPAPER THE OTHER DAY. A FELLOW WAS STANDING IN HIS DOORWAY SAYING: "I'M GOING TO THE CORNER TO MAIL A LETTER. COVER ME."

THE OLD DRAMATISTS KNEW THAT AT THE VERY HEART OF COMEDY WAS NOT HUMOR AT ALL, BUT TRAGEDY. AND TRAGEDY IS AT THE HEART OF THAT CARTOON -- NOT BECAUSE IT IS FUNNY, BUT BECAUSE IT IS ONLY A SLIGHT EXAGGERATION OF WHAT IS TRUE.

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IN THE RAPE AND THE RIOT, AND THE ARSON AND LOOTING, THE MUGGING, THE DOPE PEDDLING, THE MURDER -- IN THESE WE SEE THE LOGICAL END OF A PERMISSIVE SOCIETY.

HOW DO WE RESPOND TO THOSE RIOTS WHERE ENTIRE CITY RESIDENTIAL AREAS ARE DESTROYED? WE BUILD THESE UP. AND THE WORKING TAX-PAYER PICKS UP THE BILL. AND HOW SHOULD WE RESPOND? I SAY, WE SHOULD RESPOND WITH THE CONTEMPT ANY NORMAL HUMAN BEING MUST HAVE FOR THOSE ANIMALS THAT FOUL THEIR OWN NESTS.

HOW DO WE RESPOND TO THE MURDERER WHO TAKES ONE LIFE, AND DESTROYS THE LIVES OF ALL THOSE WHO CHERISHED THE LIFE HE TOOK? WE DECIDE THAT THE PRESCRIBED PUNISHMENT IS INHUMAN. WE DETERMINE THAT THE MURDERER WAS CULTURALLY DEPRIVED AND THEREFORE -- LO AND BEHOLD -- HE IS NOT GUILTY AT ALL. WE ARE!

HOW DO WE RESPOND TO THAT PECULIAR GROUP OF LOW GRADE MORONS WHO BAND TOGETHER WITH GUNS AND CALL THEMSELVES MILITANTS AND SHOOT POLICE AND WHOMEVER ELSE IS HANDY?

WE REFER TO THEM WITH A FASHIONABLE NEW LEXICON DESIGNED TO BOTH JUSTIFY AND GLORIFY -- THEY ARE BITTER, WE SAY; THEY ARE DEFIANT; THEY ARE FINDING THEIR OWN IDENTITY; EXPRESSING THEIR NEW PRIDE. AND WE THROW BENEFITS FOR THEM AND THRILL TO THEIR INSULTS. ^{BUT} THEY ARE THUGS, ^{AND} THEY MUST BE TREATED LIKE THUGS.

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IN THE LAST TEN YEARS, THE POPULATION OF AMERICA HAS INCREASED ROUGHLY TWELVE PERCENT. THE CRIME RATE HAS INCREASED 148 PERCENT. THIS IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.

TO THE DEGREE THAT WE PERMIT THE UNDOING OF ORDER IN AMERICA, TO THE EXTENT THAT WE ACCEPT THIS FLAUNTING OF THE LAW IN AMERICA, TO THAT DEGREE AND THAT EXTENT DO WE JEOPARDIZE CIVILIZATION ITSELF. FOR WHEN THE LAW IS STRUCK DOWN, THERE IS NO BULWARK BETWEEN BROTHERHOOD AND BARBARISM -- BETWEEN CIVILIZATION AND SAVAGERY.

AND AS WE WATCH A NATION BASED ON MUTUAL RESPECT AND MUTUAL REGARD ATTACKED, AND CRIPPLED BY THE LAW OF THE JUNGLE, WE STAND INDICTED IN THE EYES OF OUR CHILDREN, WE STAND ACCUSED IN THE EYES OF THOSE YOUNG MEN WHO FIGHT FOR US IN VIETNAM -- HAVE THEY DEFENDED FREEDOM AT KHE SANH AND IN THE DELTA AND IN CAMBODIA, ONLY TO SEE IT ATTACKED IN SAN FRANCISCO AND CHICAGO? AND WE STAND, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, BEFORE THE COURT OF HISTORY ITSELF. AND THE QUESTION IS, CAN WE REDEEM AMERICA, OR WILL WE LET IT FALTER UNDER THE BLOWS OF THE MUGGER, AND THE CON MAN, AND THE PSEUDO-REVOLUTIONARY?

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A STRONG RESPONSE TO THE CRISIS

THERE CAN BE ONLY ONE ANSWER. BUT WE MUST GIVE THAT ANSWER STRONG AND CLEAR, FOR AS THE SCRIPTURE SAYS, "IF THE TRUMPET GIVEN AN UNCERTAIN SOUND, WHO SHALL PREPARE HIMSELF TO THE BATTLE?" WE MUST MAKE IT CLEAR THAT WE WILL NOT PERMIT THE TYRANNY OF TERROR ON OUR STREETS, NOR THE ANIMAL ACTS OF ANARCHY SO COMMON TO OUR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.

WE MUST SAY NO! NO TO THE RADICALS WHO WOULD MAKE A MOCKERY OF OUR COURTS OF LAW.

NO! TO THE HYPOCRITE WHO, IN THE NAME OF FREEDOM, USES THE MACHINERY OF AN OPEN SOCIETY IN THE EFFORT TO DESTROY FREEDOM.

NO! TO THE BOMBERS WHO, IN FRUSTRATION AND IMPATIENCE, SEEK TO GAIN BY VIOLENCE WHAT THEY CANNOT GAIN BY PERSUASION.

NO! TO WHAT WE SHOULD HAVE SAID NO! TO A LONG TIME AGO.

LOOK AT THE BOMBINGS. LOOK AT THE BOMBERS.

THE MOST FRIGHTENING THING ABOUT THEM IS THAT THEY SO FREQUENTLY INVOLVE THE YOUNG, EDUCATED ELITE OF AMERICA. THEY INVOLVE PEOPLE PLAYING AT REVOLUTION, PLAYING WITH NEW MYTHS -- THE MYTH THAT SAYS VIOLENCE IS A MEANS TO POSITIVE CHANGE; THEY INVOLVE MISPLACED DOCTRINES --THE TECHNIQUES OF STRUGGLE

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AGAINST DESPOTISM ARE APPLIED IN AN ATTACK AGAINST FREE GOVERNMENT. THEY INVOLVE COOL, INTELLECTUAL JUSTIFICATIONS BROUGHT UP FROM THE HISTORY OF OTHER TIMES AND OTHER PLACES AND OTHER SITUATIONS.

BUT DESPITE ALL THE ACADEMIC WORD GAMES, THERE IS NO INTELLECTUAL VALIDITY IN TORN FLESH, AND NO MORALITY IN MURDER.

WHAT WE ARE SEEING IS NOT THE FAILURE OF FREEDOM, MY FELLOW REPUBLICANS, BUT THE FAILURE OF TOO MUCH FREEDOM, AND TOO LITTLE DISCIPLINE, AND NO RESPONSIBILITY. LIBERAL TOLERANCE OF RADICAL DOCTRINES HAS SOWN THE WIND IN AMERICA. AND NOW WE ARE REAPING THE WHIRLWIND.

NO, MY FELLOW REPUBLICANS. IT IS TIME TO SAY NO -- AMERICAN BELONGS TO THE CIVILIZED, TO THE LAW-ABIDING WHO CHERISH THE RIGHTS OF THEIR FELLOW MEN AS THEY CHERISH THEIR OWN. I THINK IT IS TIME WE TOOK BACK WHAT BELONGS TO US.

AND TO DO THIS, WE MUST HAVE A CONGRESS THAT WILL BACK THE PRESIDENT IN HIS STRONG COMMITMENT TO THE WAR AGAINST CRIME IN AMERICA.

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VERY EARLY IN HIS FIRST YEAR IN OFFICE, PRESIDENT NIXON SENT CONGRESS A COMPREHENSIVE PACKAGE OF ANTI-CRIME MEASURES. UNTIL THIS WEEK, ONLY ONE MAJOR CRIME BILL HAD PASSED BOTH HOUSES AND BEEN SENT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR HIS SIGNATURE. THE DEMOCRAT LEADERS WAITED UNTIL THE ELECTION RECESS WAS UPON THEM BEFORE ACTING ON PRESIDENT NIXON'S LEGISLATION. WE NOW SEE THE HOUSE AND SENATE RUSHING TO PASS THE DRUG BILL, ORGANIZED CRIME BILL AND OMNIBUS CRIME CONTROL ACT. WE SEE THE SAD RESULT OF THE DEMOCRAT'S FAILURE TO RESPOND TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE'S DESIRE FOR THE SAFETY OF THEIR PERSON AND THEIR PROPERTY.

WE NEED STRONG MEN IN THE CONGRESS WHO WON'T DELAY IMPORTANT LEGISLATION. MEN WHO WILL SUPPORT THE INITIATIVES OF THE PRESIDENT AS HE SEEKS TO PUSH BACK THE DARK NIGHT OF CRIME SPREADING ACROSS OUR COUNTRY. WE NEED MEN LIKE ED ESHLEMAN.

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CONCLUSION

MY FELLOW REPUBLICANS, RICHARD NIXON HAS PUT AMERICA BACK ON THE HIGH ROAD, BUT THE PRICE OF KEEPING HER THERE IS UNENDING STRUGGLE.

AND THE STRUGGLE BEGINS RIGHT HERE WITH PROVIDING THE PRESIDENT WITH THE STRONG LOYAL SUPPORT HE NEEDS IN THE CONGRESS. IF YOU ARE DETERMINED, IF YOU ARE COMMITTED, YOU CAN GIVE HIM THAT SUPPORT.

HERE IS THE MAN WITH THE EXPERIENCE.

HERE IS THE MAN WITH THE ABILITY AND DESIRE.

HERE IS THE MAN WITH THE INFLUENCE.

A MAN RICHARD NIXON NEEDS IN THE CONGRESS.

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A MAN AMERICA NEEDS IN THE CONGRESS.

A MAN THE GREAT STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA NEEDS IN THE CONGRESS.

BUT YOU KNOW THAT FAR BETTER THAN I.

I HAD THE PLEASURE OF SERVING WITH HIM FOR TWO YEARS.

BUT HE HAS SERVED YOU FOR ALMOST ALL OF HIS LIFE.

THE NAME OF PENNSYLVANIA RINGS STRONG IN THE ANNALS OF AMERICAN
HISTORY, BECAUSE IT HAS ALWAYS GIVEN AMERICA STRONG MEN AND WOMEN, AND
HISTORY CALLS UPON PENNSYLVANIA TO DO THAT NOW.

YOU MUST GIVE BACK AN AFFIRMATIVE ANSWER.

YOU MUST RETURN ED ESHLEMAN TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES.
STATES OF AMERICA.