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MEMORANDUM

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REMARKS OF SEN. BOB DOLE, REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE,
CHAIRMAN, AT A LINCOLN DAY DINNER, ANNAPOLIS ARMORY
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Big Willie

IN HIS LINCOLN DAY MESSAGE, PRESIDENT NIXON WROTE THAT "IN COMMEMORATING THE BIRTHDAY OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN, WE PAUSE TO RECALL THE QUALITIES OF LEADERSHIP WHICH THIS STRONG YET SIMPLE MAN BROUGHT TO A DIVIDED NATION OVER A CENTURY AGO...NOW, "WROTE THE PRESIDENT, "WE WORK IN A DIVIDED WORLD TO ESTABLISH A PEACE TO END ALL WARS, AND WE SEEK TO MOVE AMERICA FORWARD HERE AT HOME BRINGING ITS PEOPLE TOGETHER AND BUILDING A NEW AND LASTING PROSPERITY. WE NEED MORE THAN EVER, THE QUALITIES OF LINCOLN TO INSPIRE US AND GIVE US CONFIDENCE TO DO OUR DUTY AS WE UNDERSTAND IT, TO SERVE AMERICA BETTER SO THAT AMERICA MAY BETTER SERVE MANKIND. "

IT WAS LINCOLN'S FORESIGHT AND WISDOM THAT GAVE HIM THE ABILITY TO LEAD A NATION SO BADLY DIVIDED. AND I BELIEVE WE HAVE THOSE QUALITIES AGAIN IN THE WHITE HOUSE.

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WE HAVE HAD THEM THESE FIRST THREE YEARS OF RICHARD NIXON'S FIRST TERM AND BECAUSE OF THAT, I AM CONFIDENT WE WILL HAVE THEM AGAIN IN THE FOUR YEARS OF RICHARD NIXON'S SECOND TERM.

IT IS NOW MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED YEARS SINCE THE DEATH OF THE MAN WHOSE LIFE WE ARE HERE TO COMMEMORATE. FROM HIS HUMBLE BEGINNINGS TO HIS HEINOUS DEATH, THE HISTORY OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S LIFE IS FAMILIAR TO ALL OF US AND TO ALL AMERICANS. BUT IT IS MORE THAN JUST HISTORY. IT IS PART OF THE FABRIC OF AMERICAN FOLKLORE.

LINCOLN'S IMPORTANCE TO GOP

THE LINCOLN STORY IS AN ESSENTIAL CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN STORY. THERE ARE THOSE, IN FACT, WHO SAY THAT WITHOUT A PROPER UNDERSTANDING OF LINCOLN, ONE CANNOT REALLY UNDERSTAND AMERICA.

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BUT WE CAN LEAVE THAT DETERMINATION TO THE SCHOLARS. IT IS ENOUGH FOR US REPUBLICANS TO ACKNOWLEDGE OUR DEBT TO THE 16TH PRESIDENT. IT WAS HE, OUR FIRST REPUBLICAN PRESIDENT, WHO MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE, DEFINED AND FORMULATED THE ESSENCE OF OUR REPUBLICANISM.

FROM ITS VERY BEGINNINGS, THE REPUBLICAN PARTY HAS BEEN GUIDED BY A SINGLE AND ENDURING POLITICAL PRINCIPLE. IT IS THE FUNDAMENTAL AMERICAN POLITICAL IDEAL THAT ALL MEN DESERVE A FULL AND EQUAL MEASURE OF FREEDOM; THAT THEY ALL HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE THEIR OWN WAY IN SOCIETY; AND THAT THEY ALL SHARE THE RIGHT TO DO SO WITHOUT UNDUE INTERFERENCE BY GOVERNMENT OR BY FELLOW CITIZEN.

IN THE TROUBLED CIVIL WAR PERIOD OF THE MID-19TH CENTURY, IT WAS THE REPUBLICAN PARTY THAT RE-DEDICATED THIS COUNTRY TO THAT IDEAL. AND IT WAS THE REPUBLICAN PARTY THROUGH THE PRESIDENCY OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN, THAT

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GAVE AMERICA THE KIND OF LEADERSHIP THAT COULD MAKE
OF THAT IDEAL A FORCE STRONG ENOUGH TO PRESERVE THE
UNION.

REPUBLICAN LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP

TODAY, IN THE TRADITION OF THAT COMMITMENT, THE
REPUBLICAN PARTY UNDER RICHARD NIXON CONTINUES TO BUILD
ON THE LEGACY OF THAT LEADERSHIP.

IN THE 1860'S, LINCOLN COULD DEVOTE HIS ENERGIES
PRIMARILY TO ONE END ALONE---THE PRESERVATION OF THE
UNION. AND IT IS FOR HIS INSPIRED AND INSPIRING LEADERSHIP
DURING OUR CIVIL WAR THAT HE IS CHIEFLY REMEMBERED.

BUT IN THE CLOSING DAYS OF THE WAR, WHEN AMERICA'S
DESTINY AS ONE NATION SEEMED SECURE, LINCOLN DIRECTED HIS
THOUGHTS TO THE FUTURE. ONLY WEEKS BEFORE HIS DEATH, HE
CHALLENGED THE AMERICA PEOPLE TO "BIND UP THE NATION'S
WOUNDS" AND TO TURN THEIR ENERGIES AND RE-UNIFIED STRENGTH

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TO "DO ALL WHICH MAY ACHIEVE AND CHERISH A JUST AND
LASTING PEACE AMONG OURSELVES AND WITH ALL NATIONS. "

A GENERATION OF PEACE AFTER LINCOLN

LINCOLN HAD RESTORED THE NATION'S UNITY AND BROUGHT
THE CIVIL WAR TO AN END. HE GAVE AMERICA WHAT IT NEEDED
SO DESPERATELY IN THOSE TROUBLED TIMES OF THE LAST CENTURY.
HE GAVE IT LEADERSHIP. HE GAVE IT THE KIND OF LEADERSHIP
THAT LAID THE FOUNDATION FOR PEACE AND PROGRESS IN THE
LAST THIRD OF THE 19TH CENTURY---OUR LAST FULL GENERATION
OF PEACE.

IT WAS DURING THOSE THIRTY YEARS THAT AMERICA GREW
FROM ITS INFANCY. ITS ENERGIES TURNED AWAY FROM THE
PURSUIT OF WAR AND WERE DEVOTED TO THE PEACE-TIME TASKS
OF NATION BUILDING AND EXPANSION OF FREEDOM. AND AMERICAN
ENERGIES, SO DEVOTED, PRODUCED THE STRONGEST AND PROUDEST
NATION IN THE HISTORY OF MANKIND.

RICHARD NIXON'S LEADERSHIP HAS LAID THE FOUNDATION FOR
ANOTHER GENERATION OF PEACE IN THE LAST THIRD OF THIS

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CENTURY. LEFT ONCE MORE TO PEACEFUL PURSUITS, AMERICAN ENERGIES CAN TRANSFORM THE WORLD AS ONCE IT TRANSFORMED THIS CONTINENT.

FOR THE LAST SEVENTY YEARS, MANKIND HAS KNOWN LITTLE BUT WAR OR THE THREAT OF WAR. DURING ALL THAT TIME, PEACE HAS BEEN A RECURRING DREAM. TODAY, WE CAN SAY WITH CONFIDENCE, THAT IT IS NO LONGER JUST A DREAM. IT IS NOT A CERTAINTY, OF COURSE. AND WE WILL NOT ATTAIN PEACE JUST BY WISHING IT WERE SO, IN SPITE OF WHAT THE DEMOCRATS MAY SAY.

BUT RICHARD NIXON'S LEADERSHIP OVER THE PAST THREE YEARS HAS MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR US NOW TO DARE TO HOPE--- AND REALISTICALLY TO WORK---FOR PEACE. AND OVER THE PAST THREE YEARS, THIS PRESIDENT HAS HIMSELF BEEN WORKING TIRELESSLY TO THAT END. THE FOREIGN POLICY RECORD OF RICHARD NIXON HAS PROVEN, FOR ALL THE WORLD,

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THAT IT IS BOTH HIS OFFICIAL POLICY AND HIS PERSONAL COMMITMENT, TO SEEK A REDUCTION IN INTERNATIONAL CONFLICT AND TENSION AND TO BRING HIS COUNTRY AND ALL COUNTRIES CLOSER TO LASTING PEACE.

RICHARD NIXON LEFT FOR CHINA IN SEARCH OF PEACE AND HE BROUGHT BACK WITH HIM A SOLID BASIS FOR UNIVERSAL HOPE THAT IT MAY BE ACHIEVED.

HE LEFT FOR CHINA WITHOUT ANY ELABORATE AND EXAGGERATED PROMISES ABOUT THE OUTCOME OF HIS MEETINGS BUT WHEN HE CAME BACK IT WAS APPARENT THAT THEY HAD GONE WELL----EXTREMELY WELL.

THE WEEK THAT CHANGED THE WORLD

AND WHEN HE LEFT, HE FACED THE DIFFICULT OBSTACLE POSED BY A 22 YEAR HISTORY OF MISUNDERSTANDING, OF SILENCE, AND OF SECRECY BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND CHINA. THE LEAST ONE COULD SAY ABOUT HIS TRIP IS THAT IT SHATTERED THAT BARRIER AND MARKED THE OPENING UP OF MORE FREE AND FRANK COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. AND THAT BEING

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THE CASE, THAT SINGLE FACT IS ALONE ENOUGH TO JUSTIFY THE LABEL OF HISTORIC THAT HAS BEEN APPLIED TO THE TRIP. THAT ALONE MADE LAST WEEK'S MEETINGS THE "WEEK THAT CHANGED THE WORLD".

BUT IT DID MORE THAN JUST OPEN UP COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE WORLD'S MOST POPULOUS NATION. IT DID IT IN A FRANK AND CANDID WAY THAT HAS FEW PARALLELS IN THE HISTORY OF DIPLOMACY. AND IT WAS ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT ANY AMERICAN CONCESSIONS TO THE COMMUNISTS BY A PRESIDENT WHO KNOWS AND UNDERSTANDS FULL WELL THE RISKS AND THE POTENTIAL OF WHAT HE WAS TRYING TO DO.

THERE HAS BEEN A GREAT DEAL OF COMMENT, SINCE THE PRESIDENT'S RETURN, ABOUT THE QUESTION OF TAIWAN. SOME HAVE RAISED THEIR ALARMS OVER THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF THE IMPACT OF THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE WITH THE CHINESE AS IT APPLIES TO OUR COMMITMENT TO TAIWAN.

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NIXON DOCTRINE APPLIED

BUT THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF THE COMMUNIQUE IS REALLY A MISUNDERSTANDING. THEIR IMPRESSIONS ARE FALSE IMPRESSIONS. THERE HAS BEEN AN APPARENT CHANGE IN POSTURE ON TAIWAN BUT IT IS NOT AN AMERICAN CHANGE. IT IS A CHANGE IN PEKING. FOR UP UNTIL RECENTLY, IT HAD BEEN THE STATED PURPOSE OF THE COMMUNISTS TO RETAKE TAIWAN BY FORCE. THE COMMUNIQUE, HOWEVER, SUGGESTS THAT THEY HAVE ABANDONED ANY PLANS TO REUNITE TAIWAN WITH THE MAINLAND BY ANY BUT PEACEFUL MEANS.

IN RECENT YEARS, TAIWAN HAS MADE GREAT STRIDES IN DEVELOPING A GREATER CAPACITY FOR ITS OWN DEFENSE. AS YOU KNOW, IT IS AN ESSENTIAL ELEMENT OF THE NIXON DOCTRINE TO ENCOURAGE AND SUPPORT SUCH DEVELOPMENT. THOSE WHO QUESTION THE TERMS OF THE COMMUNIQUE UNDERSTAND NEITHER THE NIXON DOCTRINE NOR THE IMPORTANCE OF UPDATED COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE MAINLAND TO THE CREDIBILITY OF AN ADEQUATE DEFENSE COMMITMENT TO TAIWAN.

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LEADERSHIP FOR PEACE

THE PRESIDENT'S TRIP TO CHINA HAS PIERCED THE SCREEN OF SECRECY THAT SHROUDED THAT NATION OF OVER 700 MILLION FOR ALL TOO LONG. AND HE HAS DONE IT WITHOUT YIELDING ON ANY MATTERS ON WHICH OUR OWN NATIONAL INTEREST MAY DEPEND. THERE HAS BEEN CRITICISM OF THE TRIP AND OF THE COMMUNIQUE. I WOULD EXPECT THAT IN AN ELECTION YEAR SUCH AS THIS, IT WOULD CONTINUE. BUT THOSE WHO CRITICIZE MAKE A BIG MISTAKE IN JUDGING TOO QUICKLY A MATTER THAT MAY NOT BE FINALLY DETERMINED EXCEPT BY HISTORY. HASTY AND ILL-CONSIDERED ANALYSIS OF THE TRIP DOES A DIS-SERVICE TO US ALL, AND PERHAPS TO THE CAUSE OF PEACE.

AND IT IS THAT CAUSE IN WHICH RICHARD NIXON HAS ENLISTED AND THAT CAUSE WHICH HAS TAKEN--AND WILL TAKE HIM--THOUSANDS OF MILES TO MEET WITH LEADERS OF BOTH THE COMMUNIST AND THE FREE WORLD.

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THE CHINA TRIP, JUST COMPLETED, AND HIS PLANNED TRIP TO MOSCOW IN THE SPRING ARE NOT THE ONLY EXAMPLES OF THIS PRESIDENT'S LEADERSHIP FOR PEACE, HOWEVER,

FROM THE MIDDLE EAST TO INDOCHINA, IN BERLIN AND IN VIENNA, THE CHALLENGE OF BRINGING PEACE TO AN APPREHENSIVE WORLD HAS BEEN MET SQUARELY. AND WE ARE SEEING RESULTS.

ALMOST TWO YEARS AGO, AMERICAN INITIATIVES SET IN MOTION BY SECRETARY OF STATE ROGERS OBTAINED A CEASE-FIRE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. IT ENDURES TO THE PRESENT DAY.

WE HAVE REACHED AN HISTORIC AGREEMENT ON BERLIN.

THE HORRIBLE THREAT OF A WAR INVOLVING BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS HAS BEEN REMOVED.

AND THE SALT TALKS PROGRESS, OFFERING THE HOPE THAT THE FUTURE WILL BRING REDUCTIONS IN THE THREAT OF NUCLEAR

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WAR AS WELL. THESE TALKS HAVE BEEN PRODUCTIVE AND ENCOURAGING. AND THERE IS REASON TO HOPE THAT PRESENT PROGRESS ON STRATEGIC ARMS LIMITATION MAY PRESAGE AN EVENTUAL STRATEGIC ARMS REDUCTION.

THREE YEARS BRING CHANGES

THE PRESIDENT HAS MADE IT PLAIN, IN THE LAST THREE YEARS OR SO, JUST HOW MUCH LEADERSHIP CAN ACCOMPLISH. LEADERSHIP, WITH INTELLIGENCE, WITH IMAGINATION, WITH DETERMINATION.

IT IS HARD FOR SOME TO BELIEVE THAT IT HAS BEEN ONLY A LITTLE MORE THAN THREE YEARS SINCE THE PRESIDENT TOOK OFFICE. AND WHAT A DIFFERENCE THOSE THREE YEARS HAVE MADE.

IT WAS NOT SO VERY LONG AGO WHEN KENNEDY AND MUSKIE AND HUMPHREY AND THEIR LIKE WERE RUNNING THINGS. NO, IT WAS NOT SO VERY LONG AGO WHEN WAR WAS STILL THIS NATION'S

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CHIEF CONCERN, AND WE LOOKED FORWARD TO AN UNCERTAIN FUTURE WITHOUT ANY HOPES OR ANY PLANS FOR PEACE.

IT WAS NOT SO VERY LONG AGO WHEN BULLETS FLEW IN OUR CITIES, WHERE IT WAS RACE AGAINST RACE, AND ON OUR CAMPUSES THE GENERATIONS DIVIDED AND THE SYSTEM WAS SOMETHING STUDENTS FOUGHT INSTEAD OF WORKED WITHIN.

IT WAS NOT SO VERY LONG AGO EITHER, WHEN THE INFLATION THAT WAR MADE INEVITABLE BEGAN TO SHOW AND BEGAN TO HURT. BUT THE DEMOCRATS COULDN'T END THE WAR SO THEY COULDN'T STOP INFLATION.

THAT IS WHAT IT WAS LIKE WHEN THESE DEMOCRATS WERE RUNNINGS THINGS. AND TODAY BECAUSE THEY CAN'T RUN THE COUNTRY, THEY RUN IT DOWN. THESE ARE THE PEOPLE, AS THE PRESIDENT HAS SAID, "WHO WOULD TELL US THAT WE ARE EVIL BECAUSE WE ARE NOT YET PERFECT. . . THAT ALL THE SWEAT AND TOIL AND SACRIFICE THAT HAVE GONE INTO THE BUILDING OF AMERICA WERE FOR NAUGHT BECAUSE THE BUILDING IS NOT YET DONE. "

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BUT TODAY, THE WAR IS PRACTICALLY OVER. CALM HAS RETURNED TO OUR STREETS AND OUR CLASSROOMS. AND THE TIDE OF INFLATION HAS BEEN TURNED. AND SOME AMERICANS SENSING THE NEW DIRECTION THIS COUNTRY HAS TAKEN AND ITS NEW HOPES FOR NEW PROGRESS, WONDER WHAT HAPPENED.

WE REPUBLICANS KNOW WHAT HAPPENED.

LEADERSHIP HAPPENED. THE LEADERSHIP OF THIS PRESIDENT, RICHARD NIXON TOOK HOLD AND THEREIN LIES THE DIFFERENCE.

AND IT IS UP TO US TO GET THAT MESSAGE OUT TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. TO OUR NEIGHBORS, OUR FRIENDS, OUR CO-WORKERS, OVER OUR BACKYARD FENCES OR OVER NATIONAL TELEVISION. WE HAVE GOT TO GET THAT MESSAGE OUT. TO MAKE THIS ADMINISTRATION'S LONG LIST OF PROUD ACCOMPLISHMENTS KNOWN TO THIS COUNTRY.

IT IS RICHARD NIXON WHO IS ENDING THE WAR. RICHARD NIXON WHO IS BEGINNING TO WIN THE FIGHT AGAINST INFLATION. HE HAS GIVEN US NEW TOOLS WITH WHICH TO CONTROL POLLUTION.

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IT IS THIS PRESIDENT WHO HAS ORGANIZED AND ASSUMED PERSONAL DIRECTION OF THE FIGHT AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND CRIME. AND IN THE LAST THREE YEARS, HE HAS APPOINTED FOUR SUPREME COURT JUSTICES WHO UNDERSTAND THE RIGHTS OF SOCIETY AS WELL AS THE RIGHTS OF THE CRIMINAL.

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY IS LOOKING FORWARD. AND THIS REPUBLICAN PRESIDENT HAS BEGUN TO MOVE AMERICA FORWARD AGAIN. FORWARD TO REAL AND LASTING PEACE. FORWARD TO A NATIONAL DEFENSE THAT WILL REMAIN STRONG AND TO THE SHARED STRENGTH OF OUR RENEWED ALLIANCES AROUND THE WORLD. FORWARD TO GENUINE PROSPERITY AND MORE RESPONSIVE GOVERNMENT.

GOP PARTY OF PERFORMANCE

THERE ARE THOSE WHO WOULD TELL US THAT THERE IS NO REAL, ESSENTIAL DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES IN THIS COUNTRY. BUT WHEN HAVE THE DEMOCRATS EVER BROUGHT US SO FAR SO FAST? THE GOP MUST BE DOING SOMETHING RIGHT.

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THINK ABOUT IT. IN THE SIXTIES, DEATH WAS AN ALL TOO COMMON PRESENCE. BODY COUNTS AND CASUALTY RATES IN VIETNAM. DEATH TOLLS FROM RIOTS AND VIOLENCE IN OUR CITIES. AND THERE WAS TALK OF THE DEATH OF THE AMERICAN SYSTEM---THAT IT HAD RUN ITSELF OUT AND REVOLUTION AND REVOLUTIONARY CHANGE WAS THE ANSWER.

PEOPLE DON'T TALK LIKE THAT MUCH ANY MORE. BECAUSE RICHARD NIXON HAS RECALLED THIS COUNTRY TO LIFE. AND IT TOOK A MAN LIKE RICHARD NIXON TO DO IT. A REPUBLICAN AND A LEADER WHO UNDERSTANDS THIS COUNTRY AND WHERE ITS GREATNESS AND ITS SPIRIT LIE.

MAYBE SOME OF YOU SAW THOSE ADS THE DEMOCRATS WERE RUNNING. THE FULL-PAGE AD WITH BOLD HEADLINES ACROSS THE TOP THAT READ---"THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY IS JUST ABOUT BROKE." WELL THE AD WAS RIGHT, BUT NOT JUST BECAUSE THEY ARE LOW ON MONEY. THEIR IDEALOGY IS BROKE. THEIR IDEAS ARE BANK-RUPT. THEY ARE STILL WORKING ON THE POLICY PREMISES THAT GOT AMERICA--AND THE WORLD--INTO SO MUCH TROUBLE IN THE

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LAST DECADE.

AND IT TOOK REPUBLICAN IDEAS AND REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP TO GET US OUT.

TRUST WHO?

AND ALL THE DEMOCRAT TALK OF TRUST AND THE POLITICS OF TRUST CANNOT ERASE OR DENY THE RECORD OF THIS REPUBLICAN PRESIDENT. LET US TAKE JUST A MOMENT, IF WE MAY, FOR A CLOSER LOOK AT THE POLITICS OF TRUST, AND AT ITS'S STAUNCHEST ADVOCATE, EDMUND MUSKIE. HE TALKS A LOT ABOUT TRUST AND CONFIDENCE AND CREDIBILITY BUT WHAT DOES HE DO.

WELL LAST WEEK, FOR AN EXAMPLE, THE SENATOR FROM MAINE STAGED A LITTLE SHOPPING TOUR WITH A WISCONSIN HOUSEWIFE. THE IDEA WAS FOR HER TO SHOP FOR A LIST OF ITEMS AND SHOW THE SENATOR THE BILL. THE SENATOR WAS THEN PREPARED TO GIVE US A LITTLE SPEECH ABOUT THE

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FAILURE OF THE PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC POLICY TO HALT THE
RISE IN THE COST OF FOOD.

EVERYTHING WAS ALL PREPARED AND THE PRESS ASSEMBLED
WHEN THE HOUSEWIFE GOT TO THE CHECKOUT COUNTER. BUT
WHEN THE BILL WAS ADDED UP, IT WAS SHORT. THE PROBLEM
PRESENTED ITSELF, WHAT TO DO. WELL, TRUST THE MUSKIE
TEAM TO COME UP WITH A WAY TO CONQUER ADVERSITY.

ACCORDING TO THE STORE MANAGER, AND I QUOTE, "SOME-
BODY FROM SENATOR MUSKIE'S PARTY REQUESTED MY CHECK-
OUT GIRL TO RING AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF FIVE DOLLARS
ONTO THAT GROCERY ORDER!"

THAT IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE POLITICS OF TRUST WE HEAR
SO MUCH ABOUT. WE KNOW NOW AT LEAST HOW ONE OF THE
DEMOCRAT CANDIDATES IS GOING TO CAMPAIGN THIS YEAR. HE'S
NEVER GOING TO BE PRESIDENT BUT HE'S MADE A CONTRIBUTION
TO THE LANGUAGE AND AN ADDITION TO THE LEXICON OF

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DECEPTION. "PHONY AS A MUSKIE FIVE DOLLAR BILL".

GOP HAS A JOB TO DO

AND IT IS BECAUSE THIS KIND OF DEMOCRAT CAMPAIGN TACTIC IS BEING USED, THAT OUR JOB NOW, AS REPUBLICANS, IS ALL THE MORE IMPORTANT, AND ALL THE MORE DIFFICULT. STRANGE AS IT MAY SEEM, THERE WILL BE THOSE WHO MAY BELIEVE THE MISREPRESENTATIONS OF THE DEMOCRAT CANDIDATES. UNLESS WE TELL THE STORY OF RICHARD NIXON'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS---UNLESS WE TELL THAT STORY OVER AND OVER AGAIN---THERE WILL BE THOSE WHO WILL BE TAKEN IN BY THE OVER-SIMPLIFICATIONS AND BANALITY THAT THE DEMOCRAT CANDIDATES WILL TRY TO PASS OFF AS LEADERSHIP. THERE WILL BE SOME---THOSE PRESUMABLY WHO IN LINCOLN'S PHRASE, CAN BE FOOLED ALL OF THE TIME--WHO WILL FAIL TO

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APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT RICHARD NIXON HAS OPENED UP FOR THIS COUNTRY. IT IS OUR JOB TO GET TO THOSE PEOPLE, TO TELL THEM THE RECORD OF THIS ADMINISTRATION AND TO IMPRESS UPON THEM WHAT THE DEMOCRAT CANDIDATES WOULD OFFER AS AN ALTERNATIVE.

1972--A REPUBLICAN YEAR

I BELIEVE THOUGH, THAT IF WE DO OUR JOB, THEN 1972 IS GOING TO BE A GOOD YEAR. IT WILL BE A REPUBLICAN YEAR WHEN WE WILL SEE THE RE-ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT AND THE RESTORATION OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY TO ITS MAJORITY STATUS AS REPUBLICANS ARE ELECTED TO LOCAL, STATE AND NATIONAL OFFICES ALL OVER THIS LAND.

1972, AS THE PRESIDENT HAS SAID, IS GOING TO BE A GREAT YEAR FOR THIS COUNTRY. CONTINUED PROGRESS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST INFLATION AND THE SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION FROM A WAR-TIME ECONOMY TO PEACE-TIME PROSPERITY WILL BEAR OUT HIS PREDICTION.

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1972 WILL BE MARKED BY THE MOST SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS SINCE THE END OF WORLD WAR II. IT PROMISES IN FACT TO MARK A TURNING POINT IN THE POST WAR ERA WHEN PEACE--ONCE AT BEST THE OBJECT OF CYNICISM AND DESPAIR--WILL BECOME, AT LONG LAST, A REALISTIC AND REALIZABLE GOAL.

IN THE CAMPAIGN OF 1968, THE ISSUES WERE WAR AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS BROUGHT ON BY WAR. THE ISSUES IN 1972 WILL BE PEACE AND PROSPERITY BASED ON PEACE. AND THEY WILL BE REPUBLICAN ISSUES.

NIXON PRE-EMPTS LEADERSHIP ISSUE

AND THERE WILL BE ONE OTHER ISSUE. IT TOO WILL BE A REPUBLICAN ISSUE. AN ISSUE ON WHICH REPUBLICANS CAN CAMPAIGN PROUDLY AND WITH CONFIDENCE. FOR IT IS THE QUESTION OF LEADERSHIP THAT PROMISES MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE, TO DOMINATE THE PRESENT CAMPAIGN. AND THAT IS AN ISSUE THAT RICHARD NIXON HAS TRULY PRE-EMPTED.

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NO OTHER PRESIDENT IN MODERN TIMES HAS HAD SO PROFOUND AN EFFECT ON THE PEOPLE OF HIS COUNTRY. NO OTHER PRESIDENT IN MODERN TIMES HAS FACED CHALLENGES AS GREAT NOR RESPONDED SO WELL AS RICHARD NIXON.

NO MAN IN MODERN TIMES HAS DONE MORE FOR THE PROSPECTS OF WORLD PEACE THAN THIS PRESIDENT.

AND IT IS UP TO US TO WORK AS HARD AS WE CAN---AS VIGOROUSLY AS OUR ENERGIES WILL ALLOW---TO MAKE THIS RECORD OF LEADERSHIP KNOWN TO OUR FRIENDS, OUR NEIGHBORS AND OUR CO-WORKERS. RICHARD NIXON HAS WORKED TO "SERVE AMERICA BETTER SO THAT AMERICA CAN BETTER SERVE MANKIND" AND WE MUST WORK NOW TO SECURE HIS RE-ELECTION SO THAT HE CAN CONTINUE IN THAT WORK. SO THAT HE CAN CONTINUE TO BUILD ON THE LEGACY OF LINCOLN'S LEADERSHIP AND WITH OUR HELP AND OUR PRAYERS, CONTINUE TO BUILD A "BETTER AMERICA IN A MORE PEACEFUL WORLD. "