

CAYUGA COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE

AUBURN, NEW YORK

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See Book  
let up, etc.)*  
I AM VERY PLEASED TO BE IN AUBURN THIS EVENING WITH  
CONGRESSMAN BILL WALSH, AN OUTSTANDING SPOKESMAN FOR THE  
REPUBLICAN PARTY AND AN EXCEPTIONAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR  
NEW YORK'S 33RD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT. *Rockefeller*

ABOUT A YEAR AGO, I HAD THE HONOR OF MAKING A CAMPAIGN  
VISIT IN THIS AREA WITH THEN VICE PRESIDENT NELSON  
ROCKEFELLER. *Reminds*

I MIGHT ADD THAT TOO OFTEN IN THE PAST, NELSON  
ROCKEFELLER HAS BEEN CRITICIZED, AND MISUNDERSTOOD BY  
SOME WITHIN OUR PARTY. BUT HE HAS BEEN ONE OF THE MOST  
TIRELESS WORKERS ON BEHALF OF REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES, BE  
THEY LIBERAL, MODERATE, OR CONSERVATIVE. NELSON ROCKEFELLER  
IS, HAS BEEN, AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE INTERESTED IN GOOD  
GOVERNMENT AND THE NATIONAL STABILITY WHICH ONLY A STRONG  
TWO-PARTY SYSTEM OFFERS. THANKS TO HIS EFFORTS AND TO  
THE OUTSTANDING WORK MANY OF YOU DID HERE IN THE 33RD  
DISTRICT, PRESIDENT FORD ALMOST CARRIED NEW YORK STATE, AND  
WITH IT, THE ELECTION.

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## REPUBLICAN RESILIENCE

REPUBLICANS HAVE EVERY REASON TO BE OPTIMISTIC ABOUT THE FUTURE, ABOUT OUR ELECTORAL PROSPECTS, ABOUT THE RESILIENCY OF OUR PARTY. SURE, WE SUFFERED SOME SET-BACKS IN 1976. BUT THAT HAS HAPPENED BEFORE. THE POLITICAL GRAVE DIGGERS HAVE TRIED TO BURY OUR PARTY SCORES OF TIME. WE ALL HEARD AND READ THE POLITICAL POST MORTEMES LAST NOVEMBER. YET SINCE THEN, REPUBLICANS HAVE CAPTURED THREE MORE CONGRESSIONAL SEATS PREVIOUSLY HELD BY DEMOCRATS -- IN MINNESOTA, IN WASHINGTON, AND IN LOUISIANA.

THE FUTURE OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY IN NEW YORK AND ACROSS THIS NATION CAN BE BRIGHT. BUT IT WON'T BE UNLESS WE LET THE PEOPLE KNOW WHERE WE STAND, WHY WE STAND THERE, AND CONVINCE THEM THAT WE HAVE THEIR BEST INTERESTS AT HEART. AND WE WON'T DO THAT BY SIMPLY MOUNTING A FORMIDABLE DRIVE FOR THE WHITE HOUSE EVERY FOUR YEARS. IT TAKES DAY-TO-DAY WORK BY OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS AND PARTY WORKERS. IF WE'RE TO BUILD A STRONG PARTY -- A POTENT AND VIABLE POLITICAL FORCE -- WE MUST START ATTRACTING OUTSTANDING CANDIDATES FOR THE COURTHOUSES AND THE CITY COUNCILS -- CANDIDATES LIKE ED LAUKERN (LOCK'ERN) AND FRANCIS MASTROPIETRO (MASTRO PEE ATRO) FOR THE AUBURN CITY COUNCIL AND BOB CONTIGUGLIA (CONT A GOOL YA) FOR THE ~~CIRCUIT~~ <sup>SUAREGATE</sup> JUDGESHIP IN ~~CA~~ <sup>A</sup>YUGA COUNTY.



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### LOOKING FOR LEADERS

THE PEOPLE OF NEW YORK AND ALL AMERICANS ARE LOOKING FOR STRONG LEADERS, MEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE PROUD OF THEIR PHILOSOPHY YET WILLING TO WORK WITH EVERYONE FOR THE BEST INTEREST OF STATE AND NATION. WHEN WE TALK ABOUT BEING THE PARTY OF FREEDOM -- DEFENDING THE FREE-ENTERPRISE SYSTEM, FREEING PEOPLE FROM GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS, GETTING THE GOVERNMENT OUT OF OUR PRIVATE LIVES -- THESE ARE COMMENDABLE GOALS, BUT THEY ARE ABSTRACT GOALS. NOR WILL ELECTIONS BE WON ON ABSTRACTIONS.

### G.O.P. IMAGE PROBLEM

WE STILL FACE THE REALITY OF A DEMOCRATIC WHITE HOUSE, HUGE DEMOCRATIC MAJORITIES IN BOTH THE HOUSE AND SENATE, A DEMOCRAT IN THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE IN ALBANY, AND DEMOCRATIC CONTROL OF THE ASSEMBLY IN THE NEW YORK LEGISLATURE ASSEMBLY. WE ARE STILL FACED WITH THE "REPUBLICAN IMAGE PROBLEM," A PERCEPTION THAT REPUBLICANS ARE A PARTY OF POLITICAL AGAINSTERS, A PARTY THAT CATERS TO THE "HAVES" AND NOT THE "HAVE-NOTS."

YOU AND I KNOW THAT'S NOT TRUE, BUT A LOT OF PEOPLE IN NEW YORK AND THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES HOLD THAT VIEW, EVEN THOUGH MOST OF THEM SHARE OUR FUNDAMENTAL PHILOSOPHY -- OF LIMITED GOVERNMENT RESTRAINTS ON FEDERAL SPENDING, REDUCED TAXES, AND A STRONG NATIONAL DEFENSE.

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IN THE DAYS, MONTHS, AND YEARS AHEAD, WE AS A PARTY HAVE A TREMENDOUS OPPORTUNITY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE BETTERMENT OF OUR NATION. TWO ISSUES IN PARTICULAR CRY OUT FOR STRONG LEADERSHIP -- ENERGY AND FOREIGN POLICY. PRESIDENT CARTER'S FIRST MAJOR LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVE UPON COMING TO OFFICE WAS TO FORMULATE WHAT WAS TO BE A NATIONAL ENERGY POLICY. ALL OF US WAITED WITH GREAT ANTICIPATION.

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## ENERGY PROGRAM A TAX PROPOSAL

AS THE PROGRAM WAS DRAMATICALLY UNVEILED, IT TURNED OUT NOT TO BE AN ENERGY BILL, BUT A TAX BILL. THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE HAS BEEN CONSIDERING THE ADMINISTRATION'S ENERGY PROPOSAL SINCE EARLY AUGUST. I AM A MEMBER OF THAT COMMITTEE. DURING THE EXTENSIVE HEARINGS, I WAS IMPRESSED THAT HARDLY A SINGLE WITNESS EXCEPT THOSE FROM THE ADMINISTRATION SUPPORTED THE CARTER ENERGY PACKAGE. THE ADMINISTRATION'S PROGRAM HAS CREATED AN ODD COALITION OF SUCH DIVERSE GROUPS AS THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE AFL-CIO WHO STRONGLY OPPOSE THE ENERGY BILL.

WHILE MR. CARTER SHOULD BE APPLAUDED FOR HIS EMPHASIS ON THIS ISSUE, I MUST SAY THAT HIS PLAN IS ILL-CONCEIVED.

ALTHOUGH REPUBLICANS ARE A MINORITY IN CONGRESS, WE DO INTEND TO HAVE CONSIDERABLE IMPACT ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ENERGY PROGRAM. WE HAVE ALREADY BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN REJECTING THE GAS GUZZLER TAX AND THE PROPOSAL TO ELIMINATE THE STATE AND LOCAL GASOLINE TAX DEDUCTION.

THE GAS GUZZLER TAX WOULD HAVE IMPOSED A HARSH TAX ON LARGE FAMILY CARS. IT IS DISCRIMINATORY IN THE SENSE THAT IF YOU HAVE THE MONEY YOU COULD PAY THE TAX, HOWEVER, LOWER INCOME FAMILIES WOULD BE DENIED THE CHANCE TO HAVE A LARGER CAR.



THE ELIMINATION OF THE GASOLINE TAX DEDUCTION WOULD HAVE DRAINED OVER \$7 BILLION FROM AMERICAN TAXPAYERS BUT CONTRIBUTED NOTHING TO THE FIGHT TO BECOME ENERGY INDEPENDENT.

IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS THE ADMINISTRATION WILL SEND TO THE CONGRESS A PROPOSAL TO OVERHAUL OUR TAX SYSTEM. THE ECONOMIC TRACK RECORD OF THE ADMINISTRATION HASN'T BEEN GOOD. BUSINESSMEN FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY HAVE TOLD ME THEY ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THIS SO-CALLED "TAX REFORM".

THE ADMINISTRATION NATURALLY WILL REVEAL ITS TAX PROPOSAL WITH A LOT OF POMP AND CEREMONY. AT THIS POINT, I AM NOT SURE THAT WHAT THE ADMINISTRATION WANTS CAN SUSTAIN THE ACID TEST OF CONGRESSIONAL SCRUTINITY. IN THE SENATE, REPUBLICANS WILL CONTINUE TO PURSUE TAX REDUCTIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS AND BUSINESS ALIKE.

## WELFARE REFORM & FOOD STAMPS

RECENTLY CONGRESS SENT TO THE PRESIDENT A BILL THAT WOULD ELIMINATE THE FOOD STAMP PURCHASE REQUIREMENT. THIS MEANS THAT ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS COULD RECEIVE THEIR FOOD STAMPS WITHOUT HAVING TO PURCHASE A CERTAIN PORTION OF THEM.

I WAS PLEASED THIS NEW PHILOSOPHY WAS ENDORSED BY THE CONGRESS, AND BY THE ADMINISTRATION IN ITS TESTIMONY BEFORE THE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE. TWO YEARS AGO, SENATOR McGOVERN AND I INTRODUCED A BILL WHICH FIRST PROPOSED THIS CHANGE. IN MY OPINION, WE HAVE TAKEN THE FIRST STEP TOWARDS TRUE WELFARE REFORM.

WE AREN'T TRADING THE FOOD STAMP PROGRAM FOR SOMETHING BRAND NEW AND UNTESTED. INSTEAD, WE STUDIED THE WEAKNESSES OF AN EXISTING PROGRAM AND CORRECTED THEM.

I THINK THIS IS AN IMPORTANT COMPONENT OF TRUE WELFARE REFORM, AND ONE WHICH REPUBLICANS SHOULD FOCUS ON. THE SOUNDEST REFORM COMES FROM WORKING WITH AN EXISTING PROGRAM TO TARGET PROPER ASSISTANCE TO THE POOR, WHILE CUTTING OFF HIGHER INCOME PERSONS WHO ARE MISUSING THE PROGRAMS.



I HAVE SOME PROBLEMS WITH THE PRESIDENT'S WELFARE PROPOSAL. I THINK CATEGORICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS SERVE A PURPOSE. BY HAVING A SPECIAL PROGRAM FOR NUTRITIONAL ASSISTANCE, WE TARGET AID WHERE IT'S NEEDED. YOU CAN CALL IT CONSERVATIVE IF YOU WISH, BUT I THINK HUNGRY CHILDREN HAVE A MUCH BETTER CHANCE OF BEING FED A DECENT MEAL IF THEIR PARENTS RECEIVE ASSISTANCE IN FOOD STAMP COUPONS. THE FOOD LOBBY GROUPS TELL ME THAT MANY OF THEIR MEMBERS FEEL THE SAME WAY. THE PRESIDENT'S PLAN DOES LITTLE TO ENSURE THAT DEPENDENT CHILDREN WILL BENEFIT FROM WELFARE REFORM.

BEYOND THIS PHILOSOPHICAL DIFFERENCE, I SEE SOME HIDDEN COSTS WRITTEN INTO THE PRESIDENT'S PLAN. FOR INSTANCE, THE PRESIDENT FAILED TO MENTION AN EXTRA \$3.3 BILLION THAT ARISES WHEN MIDDLE INCOME FAMILIES ARE ALLOWED TO TAKE THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT. ALSO, THE PRESIDENT DOES NOT ~~MENTION~~ MENTION THE COST OF A \$5.5 BILLION TEMPORARY JOBS PROGRAM THAT IS SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE. THE PRESIDENT COUNTS AS REVENUE \$1.3 BILLION FROM A WELLHEAD OIL TAX. THE ONLY PROBLEM IS THAT CONGRESS HASN'T YET APPROVED THIS TAX. THESE EXTRA COSTS ADD UP TO MORE THAN \$10 BILLION, WELL OVER THE \$2.8 BILLION IN NEW MONIES WHICH CARTER ADMITTED HIS PROGRAM WOULD COST. I SEE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR REPUBLICANS TO TAKE THE OFFENSIVE, AND TO PUSH FOR REAL REFORM.



## FOREIGN POLICY ADRIFT

IN HIS SHORT TIME IN OFFICE, PRESIDENT CARTER HAS MANAGED TO THROW OUR ENTIRE FOREIGN POLICY STRUCTURE INTO A STATE OF DISARRAY. WHERE THERE WAS ONCE STABILITY, WE NOW HAVE CHAOS. THIS ADMINISTRATION'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS OUR ALLIES IN WESTERN EUROPE, LATIN AMERICA, AND ASIA, AND TOWARDS OUR ADVERSARIES IN CUBA AND VIETNAM, HAS MANAGED TO CONFUSE JUST ABOUT EVERYONE.

IN THE SAME SHORT SPAN OF TIME, THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION HAS JEOPARDIZED THE FABRIC OF OUR NATIONAL SECURITY SYSTEM BY UNDERMINING THE B-1 BOMBER PROGRAM AND CASTING DOUBT UPON OUR NATIONAL RESOLVE IN WESTERN EUROPE AND ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA.

WHEN THIS ADMINISTRATION CAME TO POWER, THE UNITED STATES WAS MILITARILY STRONG AND UNIVERSALLY RESPECTED. A NEW SALT AGREEMENT WAS 90 PERCENT COMPLETED WITH THE SOVIET UNION. IN THE MIDDLE EAST, THE TINDERBOX OF WORLD AFFAIRS, WE WERE RESPECTED BY ALL PARTIES TO THE CONFLICT AS AN IMPARTIAL FRIEND IN THE SEARCH FOR PEACE.

IN JAPAN, IN WEST GERMANY, AND ELSEWHERE IN EUROPE OUR ALLIES SAID THAT THEIR RELATIONSHIPS WITH AMERICA HAD NEVER BEEN STRONGER. IN SHORT, OUR FOREIGN POLICY WAS AS SOUND IN PRACTICE AS IT WAS CONSISTENT IN PRINCIPLE. AND THROUGHOUT MOST OF THE WORLD, AMERICA WAS LOOKED UPON AS A FIRM, STEADY PARTNER IN THE QUEST FOR A JUST AND LASTING PEACE.

EIGHT MONTHS HAVE PASSED NOW -- AND LOOK WHAT WE HAVE:

- TO THE SOUTH, THEY'RE CUDDLING UP TO CASTRO.
- TO THE EAST, THEY'RE STILL LOOKING FOR A FACE-SAVING DEVICE TO WITHDRAW RELATIONS FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF TAIWAN.
- NOT TOO FAR AWAY FROM TAIWAN, THEY'RE TRYING TO RETREAT FROM OUR SECURITY POSITION IN KOREA, AND TO EMBRACE THE COMMUNIST GOVERNMENT OF VIETNAM.
- IN EUROPE, SHOULD WAR COME, RECENT ACCOUNTS SAY WE ARE PREPARING TO SURRENDER ONE-THIRD OF WEST GERMANY.
- IN THE MIDDLE EAST, WE HAVE MANAGED TO CONFUSE NEARLY EVERYONE, BY INSISTING THAT ISRAEL ACCEPT PRECONDITIONS BEFORE GOING TO THE BARGAINING TABLE.



## THE PANAMA CANAL CAPER

THE LATEST IN THE ADMINISTRATION'S FOREIGN POLICY FUMBLES IS ITS EFFORT TO SADDLE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WITH A DEFECTIVE PANAMA CANAL TREATY. THIS ADMINISTRATION HAS BACKED DOWN ON NEARLY EVERY MAJOR POINT OF CONTENTION BETWEEN U.S. AND PANAMANIAN NEGOTIATORS IN ITS HASTE TO CAPTURE A DAZZLING FOREIGN POLICY ACCOMPLISHMENT.

BUT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE NOT EASILY BLINDED BY THE TINSEL AND GLITTER OF POMP AND CEREMONY. THE CANAL TREATIES WHICH PRESIDENT CARTER SENT TO CAPITOL HILL ARE FULL OF SERIOUS DEFECTS, AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE KNOW IT. AN ASSOCIATED PRESS PUBLIC OPINION POLL CONDUCTED AFTER THE TREATY SIGNING IN WASHINGTON ON SEPTEMBER 7 SHOWS THAT FULLY 50% OF ADULTS SURVEYED OPPOSE SENATE RATIFICATION OF THESE TREATIES. ONLY 29% FAVOR THE ACCORDS, WHILE ABOUT 21% EXPRESS NO OPINION. THE OPPOSITION CUT ACROSS REGIONAL, PARTY, AGE, AND INCOME LINES. THOSE WHO IDENTIFIED THEMSELVES AS DEMOCRATS OPPOSE THE TREATY BY A MARGIN OF 44% TO 34% AND EVEN THE RESIDENTS OF CARTER'S HOME REGION--THE SOUTH--OBJECTED TO THE TREATIES BY 49%, WITH ONLY 26% IN FAVOR.

## TREATIES UNACCEPTABLE

I CAN UNDERSTAND THE PUBLIC'S DISENCHANTMENT WITH THE PACTS. DURING THE PAST SEVERAL WEEKS, I HAVE MADE AN ACTIVE EFFORT TO FAMILIARIZE MYSELF WITH ALL THE DETAILS OF THE PANAMA CANAL TREATIES, AND I FIND THEM SADLY LACKING IN LOGIC AND GUARANTEES FOR OUR FUTURE NATIONAL SECURITY. AFTER HAVING DISCUSSED THE TREATIES WITH PRESIDENT CARTER, FORMER PRESIDENT FORD, GOVERNOR REAGAN, AND A VARIETY OF DIPLOMATS AND SCHOLARS, I ARRIVED AT CERTAIN SPECIFIC CONCLUSIONS.

FIRST, I CANNOT SUPPORT THE TWO PANAMA CANAL TREATIES IN THEIR PRESENT FORM. BOTH THE BASIC TREATY, AND THE TREATY CONCERNING PERMANENT NEUTRALITY CONTAIN SERIOUS OMISSIONS AND DEFECTS WHICH MAKE THEM UNACCEPTABLE. IN MY OPINION, THE TREATIES LEAVE US "HIGH AND DRY" IN THE EVENT OF FUTURE INTERNATIONAL CONFLICT OR REGIONAL INSTABILITY.

I BELIEVE IT IS TIME TO MOVE BEYOND THE POINT OF BLIND EMOTION ON THIS CONTROVERSIAL ISSUE. I BELIEVE IT IS TIME TO FOCUS ATTENTION UPON SPECIFIC WEAKNESSES IN THE CANAL TREATIES.



ON FRIDAY, I INTRODUCED SIX AMENDMENTS AND TWO RESERVATIONS TO THE PANAMA CANAL TREATIES. EACH OF THEM WAS CAREFULLY CONSIDERED AND FORMULATED TO PROTECT THE NATIONAL INTERESTS OF THE UNITED STATES AGAINST INHERENT RISKS IN BOTH TREATIES. WHEN THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE OPENS HEARINGS ON THE ACCORDS NEXT MONDAY, I AM HOPEFUL THAT EACH OF THE POINTS RAISED BY MY PROPOSALS WILL BE THOROUGHLY EXAMINED. NEITHER THE CONGRESS NOR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE CAN AFFORD TO BE "BULLDOZED" ON THIS VITAL ISSUE.

#### REDUCE PAYMENTS

PROBABLY NO OTHER ASPECT OF THESE TREATIES CAUSES AS MUCH CONCERN AMONG SO MANY AMERICANS AS THE PAYMENT PROVISIONS. THIS "PAY-AWAY" PLAN IS A CURIOSITY. ARE WE PROVIDING RENT, RANSOM, OR "CONSCIENCE" MONEY? PRESIDENT CARTER'S TREATY WOULD GUARANTEE PAYMENTS OF BETWEEN \$70 AND \$80 MILLION DOLLARS PER YEAR TO PANAMA OUT OF OUR CANAL REVENUES. THIS IS A WINDFALL BY ANY STANDARD, PARTICULARLY WHEN WE CONSIDER THE VALUE OF REAL ESTATE AND EQUIPMENT THAT WILL BE GIVEN WITHOUT CHARGE TO THE PANAMANIAN GOVERNMENT UNDER THE TREATY TERMS. THE AMENDMENT I INTRODUCED WILL REDUCE PANAMA'S SHARE OF CANAL REVENUES BY MORE THAN ONE-HALF.

ANOTHER ABSOLUTE NECESSITY IS TO GUARANTEE THAT THE UNITED STATES NAVY BE GIVEN PRIORITY PASSAGE THROUGH THE CANAL DURING PERIODS OF CRISIS. PRESIDENT CARTER'S TREATY CONTAINS A CLAUSE GRANTING US "EXPEDITIOUS PASSAGE," BUT THE PANAMANIAN'S HAVE ALREADY TOLD US THAT THIS MEANS WE GET IN LINE LIKE EVERYBODY ELSE AND WAIT OUR TURN TO GET THROUGH THE CANAL.

OUR NATIONAL DEFENSE HAS NEVER BEEN SHORT-CIRCUITED BY A TRAFFIC JAM BEFORE, AND I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD LET IT HAPPEN IN THE FUTURE.

#### OTHER POINTS OF CONCERN

OTHER MODIFICATIONS I HAVE PROPOSED WOULD GUARANTEE OUR RIGHT TO BUILD A NEW CANAL IN ANY COUNTRY IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE, DESPITE THE PROVISION IN THE PRESIDENT'S TREATY WHICH WOULD REQUIRE THAT A NEW CANAL BE PLACED IN PANAMA. I ALSO PROPOSE TO EXTEND THE TRANSFER PERIOD FOR U.S. JURISDICTION OVER THE CANAL ZONE FAR BEYOND THE 30 MONTH PERIOD PROPOSED IN THE TREATY. AND MY MODIFICATIONS WILL ENSURE THAT THE CIVIL LIBERTIES OF U.S. CANAL EMPLOYEES, AND THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF ALL PANAMANIAN CITIZENS ARE OBSERVED BY THE TORRIJOS GOVERNMENT IN YEARS TO COME.



### NO APOLOGIES

IF THERE IS ONE MESSAGE THAT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WANT DELIVERED TO GENERAL TORRIJOS AND HIS BUDDIES IN PANAMA, IT IS THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL NEVER REDUCE ITS PRESENCE IN THE CANAL ZONE BECAUSE OF VEILED THREATS OR DIRECT PRESSURES. PANAMANIAN OFFICIALS MUST KNOW THAT WE INTEND TO RESERVE ALL RIGHTS TO INTERVENE WHEN THE SECURITY OF THE CANAL IS THREATENED, AND WE EXPECT PRIORITY PASSAGE FOR OUR SHIPS DURING PERIODS OF CRISIS. THEY MUST BE TOLD THAT WE EXPECT TO SEE SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS IN THE AREA OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND, ABOVE ALL, WE DO NOT INTEND TO PAY EXORBITANT AMOUNTS OF MONEY FOR THE PURPOSE OF TURNING OVER CONTROL OF THE CANAL AND CANAL ZONE. I BELIEVE MY AMENDMENTS AND RESERVATIONS WILL SPEAK FOR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE IN THIS RESPECT. WE SHOULD SETTLE FOR NOTHING LESS.

FINALLY, I WANT TO SAY -- WITHOUT ANY RESERVATION -- THAT THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES OWE PANAMA NO APOLOGIES FOR OUR INVOLVEMENT WITH THE CANAL. THE GENEROSITY OF OUR GOVERNMENT IN BUILDING THE CANAL, IN OPERATING AND MAINTAINING IT FOR 65 YEARS, AND IN THEREBY ENHANCING THE STANDARD OF LIVING FOR PANAMANIAN, REQUIRES NO REMORSE ON OUR PART. WITHOUT ANY IMPLICATION OF GUILT, THE SENATE SHOULD PROCEED TO ANALYZE THESE TREATIES IN AN OBJECTIVE AND RESPONSIBLE MANNER.

BUT WE NEED THE INFORMED OPINION AND THE SOUND ADVICE OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AT EVERY STEP OF THE WAY. WHETHER THE PANAMA CANAL ISSUE BECOMES A VICTORY OF PRINCIPLE OR JUST ANOTHER STEP ALONG THE ROAD OF RETREAT MAY WELL DEPEND UPON TWO THINGS: THE RESPONSIBLE AND NON-PARTISAN ATTITUDE OF THE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS, AND THE TREND OF PUBLIC OPINION ON THE MATTER. I AM CONVINCED THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WILL NOT AGREE TO A "SELL-OUT" ARRANGEMENT IN PANAMA, AND I WILL DO MY BEST TO SEE THAT THAT NEVER HAPPENS.



### BRIGHT FUTURE

I CAN HONESTLY TELL YOU THIS EVENING THAT OUR FUTURE AS A PARTY LOOKS BRIGHT.

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY IS ONLY AT A LOW EBB IN ONE RESPECT, AND THAT IS NUMBERS. THROUGH ENTHUSIASM AND HARD WORK, WE CAN MAKE UP A LOT OF GROUND ON OUR MORE COMPLACENT, AND HIGHLY FACTIONALIZED OPPONENTS. WITHOUT CATALYZING OUR PARTY'S VIEWS INTO A NARROW AND UNYIELDING POSTURE, YOU CAN BE CATALYZED INTO ACTION.

OUR OPPONENTS MAY HAVE US OUTNUMBERED. BUT NEXT YEAR THEY WILL BE UP AGAINST A MID-TERM ELECTION IN WHICH THEY HOLD THE WHITE HOUSE, AND PARTIES IN THAT POSITION ALMOST ALWAYS LOSE SEATS. THEY WILL HAVE TO TRY TO CARRY MANY INCUMBENTS ELECTED IN THE DEMOCRAT HEYDAY OF WATERGATE, SOME OF WHOM NOW CARRY THE TAINT OF "KOREAGATE" THEMSELVES.

BUT MOST OF ALL, THEY WILL BE UP AGAINST US. AND IF WE RAISE THE MONEY, MOVE THE BUMPER-STICKERS, AND GET THE CANDIDATES INTO THE FIELD AND THE CROWDS OUT TO SEE THE CANDIDATES, THEN WE SHOULD DO VERY WELL. BUT DOING VERY WELL DEPENDS MOSTLY ON YOU. AND THAT'S WHY I'M CONFIDENT OF SUCCESS NEXT YEAR.

THANK YOU.