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SATURDAY RADIO ADDRESS: THE REPUBLICAN RESPONSE REMARKS OF SENATE REPUBLICAN LEADER BOB DOLE

ELECTION DAY A HISTORIC OPPORTUNITY TO SEND A LOUD & CLEAR MESSAGE: GIVE AMERICA BACK TO THE PEOPLE

Hello, I'm Bob Dole, and I'm speaking on behalf of the Republican Party and all of our candidates across America.

I've travelled across the country these past months, and I find people aren't much different wherever I go. They think government is too big, too powerful, and too intrusive. And they think Congress is part of the problem--and not part of the solution. And they are right.

Next Tuesday, you will have an historic opportunity to change all this. A vote for Republican candidates is a vote for change -- to change the direction in which America is heading. It's a vote to shake up and change Congress. It's a vote to give America back to the people. Not since 1952 have Republicans controlled the United States

Congress. That's when Eisenhower was elected President, the Dodgers were still in Brooklyn, and a postage stamp cost three cents. Americans have been born since Republicans last controlled the U.S. Congress.

And after holding power for so long, the liberal Democrats think they know best how to spend your money. The liberal Democrats think they know best how you should run your business. The liberal Democrats think they know best what type of health plan you should buy and what doctor you should see.

Empower People, Not Government: Put Government on a Leash Republicans running for Congress, for Governor, for state legislative and local offices have profoundly different ideas about government and its role in our lives. Our most important goal is to empower people -- not the government.

Republicans believe you know best. We believe that small businessmen and women, farmers, and factory workers are the engine that drive our economy. We believe that personal initiative and risk taking should be encouraged and rewarded. We believe you should be allowed to

save and invest more of your hard earned money--not have it taxed away, and spent by the liberal Democrat majority.

If Republicans gain control of the House and Senate, we will put government on a leash. We will cut the Congressional budget. We will vote on term limits. We will vote on a balanced budget amendment. And we will require Congress to live under the same laws that it imposes on small businessmen and women. And we will do much more.

<u>Beware of Last Minute Scare Tactics</u>

In a state of near-panic, President Clinton and Vice President Gore are resorting to scare tactics. They're falsely accusing Republicans of secret plans to cut Social Security and Medicare benefits, as well as student loans and farm programs.

When you hear these false accusations, remember that it was President Clinton and the Democrats in Congress who increased taxes on Social Security by \$24 billion, and who cut Medicare by nearly \$50 billion--all over the opposition of every single Republican in Congress. And remember that it is the Clinton administration which is considering cutting an additional \$16 billion from farm programs.

Help Pull Plug on the Big Government Taxing & Spending Machine So between now and Tuesday, beware of last minute political hysteria from the Administration's top guns. And when you cast your ballot, don't miss this historic opportunity to send a loud and clear message. Help Republicans pull the plug on President Clinton's big government, big taxing, big spending machine.

Please do take the time to go to the polls. Countless Americans have given and risked their lives in places like Normandy, Korea, and Vietnam so that you can vote. Don't take that right for granted. Thanks for listening, and may God bless America.