

REMARKS OF
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HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT HOW REFRESHING IT WOULD BE IF, WHEN THE NEXT PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES DELIVERS HIS INAUGURAL ADDRESS NEXT JANUARY, IF HIS MESSAGE WERE TO CONTAIN A FEW QUOTES LIKE THESE:

"BEGINNING TODAY, WE ARE GOING TO RETURN TO FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY. WE ARE GOING TO LIVE WITHIN OUR MEANS. WE ARE NOT GOING TO SPEND MORE THAN WE CAN REASONABLY RAISE. WE WILL SET SOME PRIORITIES ON WHAT PROGRAMS WE CAN AFFORD TO PURSUE NOW AND WHICH WE CAN POSTPONE.

"BEGINNING TODAY, PRIORITIES WILL BE SET IN OUR GOVERNMENTAL SPENDING ABROAD UNTIL A BETTER BALANCE IS ACHIEVED WITH OUR PRIVATE SECTOR'S SURPLUSES IN INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS. BASIC INTERNATIONAL HEALTH DEPENDS HEAVILY ON THE STRENGTH OF THE U.S. ECONOMY AND THE SOUNDNESS OF THE DOLLAR. FAILURE TO ADOPT PRIORITIES TODAY MAY ULTIMATELY MAKE US UNABLE TO FULFILL OUR COMMITMENTS. WE CANNOT BE ALL THINGS TO ALL PEOPLE AT ALL TIMES.

"BEGINNING TODAY, WE ARE GOING TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO CREATE A CLIMATE WHERE FREE ENTERPRISE CAN PROVIDE JOBS FOR EVERY AMERICAN WILLING TO WORK AND A CLIMATE IN WHICH EVERY BOY AND GIRL CAN OBTAIN A GOOD EDUCATION. BUT WE ARE ALSO GOING TO INSIST THAT THE BEST AND MOST LASTING CURE FOR POVERTY IS HONEST WORK AND PERSONAL INITIATIVE AND EFFORT.

"AND BEGINNING TODAY, WE ARE GOING TO HAVE LAW AND ORDER ON THE STREETS OF OUR NATION, AND THOSE WHO VIOLATE THE LAW WILL SUFFER THE CONSEQUENCES REGARDLESS OF RACE, CREED OR COLOR.

THERE ARE, OF COURSE, MANY OTHER STATEMENTS THAT MIGHT BE INCLUDED IN SUCH AN INAUGURAL ADDRESS OF THE NEXT PRESIDENT. BUT MY POINT IS, IF WE DO OUR WORK PROPERLY -- AND IF REPUBLICANS IN OTHER COUNTIES AND OTHER STATES DO THEIR WORK PROPERLY -- I BELIEVE THESE ARE SOME OF THE CHANGES IN DIRECTION THAT WILL BE TAKEN BY THE REPUBLICAN IN THE WHITE HOUSE NEXT JANUARY.

AND I BELIEVE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE GOING TO VOTE TO
SEND IN A NEW TEAM IN NOVEMBER 1968.

THE VOTERS ARE GOING TO SEND IN A NEW TEAM -- A REPUBLICAN
TEAM -- BECAUSE OF FOUR PRIMARY ASSETS OF OUR PARTY: THE
CANDIDATES, THE PHILOSOPHY, THE TIDE OF PUBLIC OPINION AND THE
ISSUES.

- THE CANDIDATES -

FIRST, WE'VE GOT THE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES-- RICHARD
NIXON, NELSON ROCKEFELLER, POSSIBLY RONALD REAGAN, CHUCK PERCY
AND OTHERS -- WHO ARE MEETING THE ISSUES HEAD ON WITH POSITIVE,
RESPONSIBLE STATEMENTS AND ACTION.

EVEN A CURSORY GLANCE AT NEWSPAPERS, NATIONAL NEWS MAGAZINES
OR TELEVISION SHOWS THESE MEN ARE READY TO MOVE WITH HUMILITY AND
ENERGY . . . TO TURN AMERICA'S GAZE IN NEW DIRECTIONS . . . TO GUIDE
THIS COUNTRY'S RESOURCES . . . AND UPLIFT ITS PEOPLE TO WORK TO
HOUSE, TO EDUCATE, TO BUILD AND INSPIRE.

IT IS THE REPUBLICAN PARTY THAT CAN PROVIDE THE LEADERSHIP TO UNIFY THIS GREAT NATION -- FOR THE PARTY NOW IN POWER IS TORN BY THE SAME DIVISIVENESS THAT HAS CRIPPLED OUR NATION'S WILL.

-THE PHILOSOPHY-

SECOND, THE G.O.P. PHILOSOPHY HOLDS OUT HOPE AND PROMISES ACTION. REPUBLICANS KNOW -- AND FOR THAT MATTER, MOST AMERICANS KNOW -- THAT THE DEMOCRAT PHILOSOPHY OF SOLELY FEDERAL SOLUTIONS, FEDERALLY-FINANCED AND FEDERALLY-ADMINISTERED HAS NOT WORKED IN EIGHT YEARS AND WILL NOT WORK NOW OR IN THE FUTURE.

BOTH MAJOR PARTIES WANT WHAT IS BEST FOR AMERICA. WE SHARE MANY OF THE SAME OBJECTIVES. WHERE WE DIFFER IS NOT ON THE GOALS AND ENDS BUT ON THE MEANS TO THOSE ENDS.

IN MY JUDGEMENT, THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES HAS SELDOM BEEN STATED BETTER THAN AT K-STATE'S MOCK POLITICAL CONVENTION A FEW MONTHS AGO. THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE PUT IT THIS WAY:

"WE REPUBLICANS CLAIM NO MONOPOLY ON LOVE OF FREEDOM. BUT WE CHALLENGE AS UNWISE THE COURSE THE DEMOCRATS HAVE CHARTED; WE CHALLENGE AS DANGEROUS THE STEPS THEY PLAY ALONG THE WAY; AND WE DEPLORE AS SELF-DEFEATING AND HARMFUL MANY OF THE MOVES ALREADY TAKEN...

"DOMINANT IN THEIR COUNCIL ARE LEADERS WHOSE WORDS EXTOL HUMAN LIBERTY, BUT WHOSE DEEDS HAVE PERSISTENTLY DELIMITED THE SCOPE OF LIBERTY AND SAPPED ITS VITALITY...

"YEAR AFTER YEAR...THESE LEADERS HAVE SOUGHT THE ENLARGEMENT OF FEDERAL POWER. YEAR AFTER YEAR ...THEY HAVE LAVISHLY EXPENDED THE RESOURCES OF THEIR FELLOW CITIZENS. AND YEAR AFTER YEAR, FREEDOM, DIVERSITY, AND INDIVIDUAL, LOCAL AND STATE RESPONSIBILITY HAVE GIVEN WAY TO REGIMENTATION, CONFORMITY AND SUBSERVIENCE TO CENTRAL POWER...

"WE REPUBLICANS HOLD THAT A LEADERSHIP SO MISGUIDED WEAKENS LIBERTY IN AMERICA AND THE WORLD. WE HOLD THAT GLITTERING ENTICEMENTS SO INVITINGLY PROFFERED THE PEOPLE, AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE, WILL INEVITABLY BRING DISILLUSIONMENT AND CRUEL DISAPPOINTMENT IN THE PLACE OF PROMISED HAPPINESS...

"SUCH LEADERS ARE FEDERAL EXTREMISTS -- IMPULSIVE IN THE USE OF NATIONAL POWER, IMPROVIDENT IN THE MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC FUNDS, THOUGHTLESS AS TO THE LONG-TERM EFFECTS OF THEIR ACTS ON INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM AND CREATIVE, COMPETITIVE ENTERPRISE..."

QUITE A STATEMENT, ISN'T IT?

YES, REPUBLICANS KNOW THAT THE GOVERNMENT MUST SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF INDIVIDUALS AND PRIVATE ENTERPRISE -- BUT THAT GOVERNMENT ALONE CANNOT WAGE THE WARS OR WIN THE PEACE -- AT HOME OR ABROAD, WITHOUT SACRIFICING HUMAN LIBERTY AND THE COLLECTIVE GOALS OF THIS NATION.

REPUBLICANS CAN PROVIDE THE IMAGINATIVE, NEW LEADERSHIP THAT CAN INSPIRE OTHERS. REPUBLICANS UNDERSTAND AND BELIEVE IN PEOPLE. THEY VIEW THEIR FELLOW AMERICANS AS INDIVIDUALS -- NOT AS MEMBERS OF VOTING BLOCS TO BE MOVED ABOUT LIKE PAWNS IN A POLITICAL CHESS GAME.

-PUBLIC OPINION-

THIRD, THE TIDE OF PUBLIC OPINION.

THIS YEAR REPUBLICANS HAVE A BUILT-IN NATIONAL AUDIENCE. IF EVER AMERICANS WERE READY FOR NEW LEADERSHIP, THEY'RE READY IN '68.

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY IS THE REFORM PARTY IN AMERICA. WE ARE THE PARTY OF CHANGE, THE PARTY OFFERING NEW SUCCESS FORMULAS IN PLACE OF ADMINISTRATION FAILURES.

YES, THE TIDE OF PUBLIC OPINION IS WITH US.

AND OUR PARTY -- WITH THE HELP OF MANY INDEPENDENTS AND DIS- ENCHANTED DEMOCRATS -- CAN MAKE SWEEPING GAINS IN THE NOVEMBER ELECTIONS. THE PUBLIC UTTERANCES OF DEMOCRAT HUBERT HUMPHREY AND DEMOCRAT EUGENE MCCARTHY WILL HELP. I SAY THIS BECAUSE THE PEOPLE ARE TIRED OF JOHNSON-HUMPHREY POLICIES, SKEPTICAL OF GENE MCCARTHY AND FEARFUL OF GEORGE WALLACE.

-1968 ISSUES-

TO THESE THREE G.O.P. ASSETS -- CANDIDATES, PHILOSOPHY AND PUBLIC OPINION -- ADD ISSUES FOR THE REPUBLICAN PARTY IN 1968 UNDOUBTEDLY HAS THE ISSUES.

A NEWS REPORTER RECENTLY SAID PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S DECISION NOT TO RUN AND THE RESULTING FLURRY OF DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL HOPEFULS HAVE NEUTRALIZED THE ISSUES REPUBLICANS HAVE BEEN CONCENTRATING ON.

THIS IS NOT TRUE. THE MAJOR PROBLEMS CONFRONTING THIS NATION HAVE NOT BEEN SOLVED. THE RECORD IS PLAIN. AND, NO MATTER HOW YOU CUT IT, THE DEMOCRATS WILL HAVE TO RUN ON THAT RECORD, ESPECIALLY HUBERT HORATIO HUMPHREY. THE RECORD, THEN:

*DESPITE PRELIMINARY PARIS PEACE TALKS, PEACE DOES NOT REIGN IN VIETNAM. WE ARE STILL ENGAGED IN A MAJOR WAR, WHOSE BEGINNING NO ONE REMEMBERS AND WHOSE END IS NOWHERE IN SIGHT. IT IS COSTING US DEARLY -- IN LIVES, IN DOLLARS, IN UNITY AT HOME, IN PRESTIGE ABROAD.

*THE NATION'S LARGEST CITIES HAVE SUFFERED SOME OF THE WORST CIVIL DISTURBANCES IN OUR HISTORY, AND THEY'RE BRACED FOR EVEN MORE THIS SUMMER.

*THE NATIONAL CRIME RATE SOARS -- 8 TIMES FASTER THAN OUR POPULATION, ACCORDING TO THE FBI.

*THE COST OF LIVING IS RISING AT AN ANNUAL RATE OF 5 PERCENT, THE U.S. LABOR DEPARTMENT SAYS.

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*INTEREST RATES ON HOME MORTGAGES ARE
THE HIGHEST IN 50 YEARS, LYNDON JOHNSON
SAYS.

*OUR FARMERS PRODUCE MORE AND MAKE LESS.

*THE DOLLAR IS IN CRITICAL CONDITION. THE
DEFICIT IN OUR BALANCE OF PAYMENTS IS DEEP;
OUR SUPPLY OF GOLD, ABYSMALLY LOW; THE
NUMBER OF DOLLARS HELD BY FOREIGNERS,
DANGEROUSLY HIGH.

*WE HAVE A SPRAWLING FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
WHICH MANY PEOPLE NEITHER UNDERSTAND NOR
BELIEVE.

-THE PEOPLE ARE FED UP-

AMID ALL OF THIS AND MORE, THERE IS ONE SIGN THAT STANDS OUT...
THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE FED UP AND FEARFUL, ANXIOUS AND ANGRY
ABOUT THE WAY THINGS ARE GOING WITH OUR COUNTRY.

THIS INCLUDES VIRTUALLY ALL REPUBLICANS, MOST INDEPENDENT
VOTERS AND JUDGING FROM THE PRIMARIES, ABOUT 60 PERCENT OF THE
DEMOCRATS.

THE DEMOCRAT PARTY HAS BEEN IN POWER IN THE WHITE HOUSE FOR 27 OF THE LAST 35 YEARS, FOR 29 OF THOSE YEARS IN CONGRESS. DURING THOSE YEARS THE DEMOCRATS HAVE POURED BILLIONS UPON BILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF FEDERAL MONEY INTO PROGRAMS SUPPOSEDLY DESIGNED TO SOLVE THE VERY PROBLEMS THAT ARE ERUPTING INTO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TODAY.

IF IT'S TRUE THAT NOTHING SUCCEEDS LIKE SUCCESS, WHAT WE ARE WITNESSING NOW IS THAT NOTHING FAILS SO SPECTACULARLY AS FAILURE.

WE MUST THROW OFF THE MALAISE WHICH HAS THREATENED OUR COUNTRY. WE NEED FRESH APPROACHES, NEW STRONG LEADERSHIP.

-CIVIL DISORDER-

WE NEED FRESH APPROACHES -- REPUBLICAN APPROACHES -- TO CURB CIVIL DISORDER.

REPUBLICANS WOULD, FIRST, ENCOURAGE ALL AMERICANS TO REDEDICATE THEMSELVES TO THE TRUTH WHICH THE AUTHORS OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE SAW AS SELF-EVIDENT -- THAT ALL MEN ARE CREATED EQUAL.

A CHANGE IN ATTITUDES WON'T ELIMINATE SLUM CONDITIONS BUT IT WILL HELP COOL THE PASSIONS WHICH HAVE CAUSED LOSS OF LIFE AND DESTROYED PORTIONS OF OUR GREAT CITIES.

THEN LET US ALL HELP THE POOR AND DISADVANTAGED HELP THEMSELVES UP THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL LADDER.

PERHAPS THE MOST IMPORTANT WAY TO HELP THEM HELP THEMSELVES IS JOBS -- GOOD-PAYING JOBS THAT WILL BRING DIGNITY, SELF - RESPECT AND THE RESPECT OF OTHERS TO THE UNEMPLOYED AND UNDER-EMPLOYED.

REPUBLICANS WOULD CONTINUE TO URGE BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY TO BECOME SOCIALLY CONSCIOUS. INDEED MANY BUSINESSMEN HAVE BECOME DEEPLY INVOLVED IN TRYING TO CURE AMERICA'S ILLS.

BUT REPUBLICANS WOULD MAKE THE REBUILDING OF OUR CITIES A MORE ATTRACTIVE NEW BUSINESS ITSELF -- AND REBUILD THE CITIZENS OF THESE CITIES IN THE PROCESS.

THE BEST WAY TO ACCOMPLISH THIS IS TO OFFER INDUSTRY TAX CREDITS AS AN INCENTIVE, TO PROVIDE LARGE-SCALE ON-THE-JOB TRAINING IN THE CENTRAL CITIES, TO BUILD SOME INDUSTRIAL PLANTS THERE AND TO CONSTRUCT LOW-COST HOUSING FOR LOW-INCOME FAMILIES.

IT IS A TIME FOR FRESH APPROACHES -- REPUBLICAN APPROACHES --
A SHARING OF FEDERAL REVENUES WITH THE STATES AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES
TO BRING THEM INTO FULL PARTNERSHIP IN PROBLEM-SOLVING, THE CREATION
OF A PRIVATE-PUBLIC CORPORATION TO RAISE MORTGAGE FUNDS AND HELP
LOW-INCOME FAMILIES BUY AND RUN THEIR OWN HOMES.

IT IS A TIME FOR FRESH APPROACHES -- REPUBLICAN APPROACHES.
THERE CAN BE LITTLE PROGRESS IN THE CENTRAL CITIES UNTIL THE RIOTS
STOP. THERE CAN BE NO REBUILDING OF THE CENTRAL CITIES UNTIL LAW
AND ORDER ARE ASSURED.

SO BESIDES ENLISTING PRIVATE ENTERPRISE IN A NATIONWIDE ATTACK
ON THE CONDITIONS LEADING TO CIVIL DISORDERS, REPUBLICANS WOULD
LAUNCH A SWEEPING PROGRAM TO CONTROL CRIME AND JUVENILE DELINQUENCY,
IMPROVE LAW ENFORCEMENT, OVERHAUL OUR COURT SYSTEM AND CRACK DOWN
ON ORGANIZED CRIME.

-NEED TO CUT BUDGET-

WE NEED FRESH APPROACHES -- REPUBLICAN APPROACHES IN THE
FEDERAL FINANCIAL CRISIS. WE ARE IN SERIOUS TROUBLE BECAUSE THE
DEMOCRATS HAVE OVERCOMMITTED OUR COUNTRY AT HOME AND ABROAD.

HERE ARE JUST A FEW OF THE KINDS OF THINGS THAT REPUBLICANS WOULD DO, IF WE CAPTURE THE WHITE HOUSE THIS YEAR.

WE WOULD CUT A GOOD NUMBER OF NONESSENTIAL ITEMS AND PROGRAMS FROM THE FEDERAL BUDGET. THIS IS NOT EASY TO DO, AND IT ALWAYS HURTS SOMEONE, SOMEWHERE, WHEN THE BUDGET IS CUT.

BUT IT IS A QUESTION OF PRIORITIES, AND WE ARE IN A SITUATION WHERE WE SIMPLY MUST MAKE THE HARD DECISION THAT SOMETHINGS ARE MORE WORTH DOING NOW THAN OTHERS.

- PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS -

FIRST, CUTS CAN AND MUST BE MADE IN SOME PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS. IF THEY ARE NOT CRUCIAL, SOME WILL HAVE TO BE DELAYED.

- COMMITMENTS ABROAD -

SECOND, WE MUST REDUCE OUR COMMITMENTS ABROAD IN THOSE PLACES WHERE THEY CAN BE REDUCED WITHOUT DAMAGE TO OUR OWN NATIONAL INTERESTS AND WHERE THEY WILL NOT PUT OUR FREE-WORLD ALLIES IN UNACCEPTABLE SITUATIONS. THIS INCLUDES THOSE COUNTRIES OF FREE EUROPE REBUILT FROM THE ASHES OF WORLD WAR II BY AMERICAN DOLLARS. THEY MUST UNDERTAKE, TO A SIGNIFICANTLY GREATER EXTENT, GUARANTEEING THEIR OWN DEFENSE.

-US APPROACH TO FOREIGN AID-

THIRD, WE MUST GET AWAY FROM SIMPLE GRANTS-IN-AID APPROACH IN FOREIGN AID AND INSTEAD, DEVELOP WAYS IN WHICH PRIVATE AMERICAN CAPITAL CAN BE STIMULATED TO APPLY THEIR VAST RESOURCES AND KNOW-HOW TO HELP DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. WE MUST CAREFULLY EXAMINE THE POTENTIAL OF CREDIT EXTENSIONS TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SO THAT OUR CONTRIBUTIONS WILL STIMULATE INCREASED AID FROM THE OTHER DEVELOPED NATIONS OF THE FREE WORLD.

-EXAMINE SPACE PROGRAM-

FOURTH, WE MUST EXAMINE THE SPACE PROGRAM TO DETERMINE WHICH PROJECTS CAN BE DELAYED WITHOUT DAMAGING OUR NATIONAL INTERESTS IN TERMS OF DEFENSE AND SCIENTIFIC DEVELOPMENT. CERTAINLY IT WILL BE WONDERFUL TO LAND A MAN ON VENUS OR MARS, BUT I THINK WE WOULD ALL AGREE IT MIGHT BE RELATIVELY MORE IMPORTANT NOW TO EXTINGUISH THE FIRES IN OUR CITIES.

-REVIEW FEDERAL OPERATION-

FIFTH, TO HELP CUT THE FEDERAL BUDGET AND SAVE THE TAXPAYERS ' DOLLARS, I BELIEVE ONE OF THE LONG-RANGE STEPS WE SHOULD TAKE IS TO MAKE A VAST REVIEW OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S OPERATIONS.

YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED TO KNOW FEDERAL SPENDING ROSE 80 PERCENT BETWEEN 1960 AND 1967. THE NUMBER OF FEDERAL EMPLOYEES HAS INCREASED 25 PERCENT AND THE COST OF THE FEDERAL CIVILIAN PAYROLL HAS JUMPED 75 PERCENT IN THE SAME PERIOD.

THE RESULT IS A SPRAWLING FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WHICH MANY PEOPLE NEITHER UNDERSTAND NOR BELIEVE. WE HAVE MOUNTING EVIDENCE OF GOVERNMENT WASTE, OVERLAPPING AND DUPLICATION. IN ADDITION, MANY OF THE GOVERNMENT'S OPERATING METHODS TODAY ARE RELICS FROM THE HORSE-AND-BUGGY DAYS OF GOVERNMENT 50 YEARS AGO.

WE MUST INITIATE A THOROUGH, REALISTIC AND OBJECTIVE EXAMINATION OF JUST WHAT FEDERAL DEPARTMENT, WHAT AGENCY IS DOING WHAT FOR WHOM AND WHAT IT COSTS.

THE RESULTS OF A MASSIVE REVIEW OF THE FEDERAL SYSTEM WOULD CUT THE FEDERAL BUDGET BY BILLIONS OF DOLLARS AND INJECT MORE EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS AND MORE COORDINATION INTO THE PROLIFERATING ACTIVITIES OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

TO IMPLEMENT SUCH A REVIEW INITIALLY, I WOULD RECOMMEND SETTING UP A COMMISSION OF 12 MEMBERS -- TWO FROM THE HOUSE, TWO FROM THE SENATE, AND EIGHT TO BE APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT. THE EIGHT WOULD NOT, AT THE TIME OF THEIR APPOINTMENT, BE SERVING IN ANY GOVERNMENTAL POSITION, OTHER THAN IN AN ADVISORY CAPACITY.

SOME SAY THAT SETTING UP ANOTHER COMMISSION IS NOT THE ANSWER. BUT SUCH A COMMISSION AS I HAVE SUGGESTED IS THE ONLY WAY WE CAN BEGIN TO COMPREHEND AND THEN TAKE ACTION TO REASONABLY ELIMINATE, UPDATE OR STRENGTHEN EACH PART OF THE FEDERAL SYSTEM. AND EXPENSES FOR THE COMMISSION WOULD CERTAINLY BE LESS THAN IF THE GOVERNMENT BUREAUCRACY IS PERMITTED TO CONTINUE TO COMPOUND ITSELF!

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-CONCLUSION -

IN CONCLUSION, LET ME REPEAT: THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY ~~ADmits~~ ^{admits} NO REMEDIES FOR AMERICA'S PROBLEMS BUT FEDERAL SOLUTIONS, FEDERALLY-FINANCED AND FEDERALLY-ADMINISTERED.

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY PROPOSES THAT OUR ATTACK ON OUR COUNTRY'S PROBLEMS BE DECENTRALIZED. ONLY IN THAT WAY CAN WE SOLVE THE PROBLEMS WHICH HAVE DEFIED THE FEDERAL BUREAUCRACY. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MUST TAKE THE LEAD IN IDENTIFYING NATIONAL PROBLEMS, AND THEN BACK UP AND SUPPORT MAXIMUM EFFORT BY STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND BY PRIVATE ENTERPRISE AND PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS IN SOLVING THEM.

I AM CONVINCED THAT AMERICA CANNOT AFFORD ANOTHER FOUR YEARS OF DEMOCRATIC CONTROL IN WASHINGTON. I BELIEVE AMERICANS ARE LOOKING FOR FRESH APPROACHES AND NEW, IMAGINATIVE LEADERSHIP -- REPUBLICAN LEADERSHIP TO MEET THE MYRIAD OF CHALLENGES FACING US TODAY.

AMERICA MUST DO BETTER BECAUSE WE CAN DO BETTER. IF I DID NOT FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT, I WOULD NOT BE SERVING IN THE CONGRESS, AND I WOULD NOT BE SEEKING THE PRIVILEGE OF REPRESENTING THE PEOPLE OF OUR STATE IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

THERE HAVE BEEN MANY CHANGES IN THE 7 AND ONE-HALF YEARS I HAVE SERVED IN THE CONGRESS. THERE HAVE BEEN CHANGES IN THE WORLD, IN OUR NATION AND SOME CHANGES IN BOB DOLE.

IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO SIT IN THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES WITHOUT BEING ACUTELY AWARE OF THE TREMENDOUS PROBELMS WHICH FACE OUR NATION, AND WITHOUT BEING INSPIRED BY THE CHALLENGES THEY PRESENT.

I BELIEVE THIS EXPERIENCE HAS EQUIPPED ME TO REPRESENT THE PEOPLE OF OUR STATE IN THE SENATE. I WOULD HOPE THAT THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS WILL CHALLENGE ME, THAT YOU WILL CHALLENGE ME, SO THAT THEY -- AND YOU -- WILL BE SATISFIED THAT THIS IS THE CASE.



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