

REMARKS OF HONORABLE BOB DOLE

GOP STEAK FRY  
BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS  
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IT IS A GREAT PLEASURE FOR ME TO BE HERE WITH YOU IN ILLINOIS  
THIS EVENING, AND IT IS CERTAINLY A MATTER OF GENUINE PERSONAL PRIDE  
TO BE ASKED HERE ~~ON BEHALF~~<sup>BY</sup> LES ARENDS.

IT WOULD BE PRESUMPTUOUS OF ME, I THINK, TO PRAISE THIS GREAT  
REPUBLICAN. WHEN I CAME TO WASHINGTON TEN YEARS AGO, LES ARENDS HAD  
ALREADY BEEN THE REPUBLICAN WHIP LONGER THAN ANYONE ELSE IN HISTORY --  
REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT. WHEN I CAME TO WASHINGTON, THIS MAN WAS  
ALREADY A LEGEND; THIS MAN WAS ALREADY A WASHINGTON INSTITUTION.

SOME MEN ARE JUDGED IN WASHINGTON BY WHAT THEY ARE WILLING TO  
FALL FOR. LES ARENDS IS KNOWN BY WHAT HE STANDS FOR. AND WHAT HE  
STANDS FOR IS AN AMERICA IN WHICH HONESTY AND DECENCY ARE STILL HON-  
ORED, AN AMERICA IN WHICH PRINCIPLES ARE STILL NOT PASSE, AN AMERICA

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PROUD OF ITS ANCIENT HERITAGE AND UNWILLING TO SEE THAT HERITAGE  
BROUGHT DOWN BY VIOLENCE OR ERODED BY THE POLITICS OF PERMISSIVENESS.

NIXON LEADERSHIP

AND MY FELLOW REPUBLICANS, IN THE PAST WEEK WE HAVE SEEN HOPE  
FOR THE ULTIMATE TRIUMPH OF THE REAL AMERICA, THAT TRUE AMERICA, THAT  
AMERICA THAT MEN LIKE LES ARENDS ARE FIGHTING EVERY DAY TO PRESERVE --  
WE HAVE SEEN HOPE FOR THE ULTIMATE TRIUMPH OF THAT AMERICA. IN THIS  
PAST WEEK, WE WITNESSED A HIGH WATER-MARK IN AMERICAN STATECRAFT.  
LEADERSHIP IS AN ILLUSIVE QUALITY. THERE WAS A TIME THAT 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.

IN RECENT YEARS, WE HAVE WONDERED WHERE DID IT ALL GO -- WHAT  
HAPPENED IN AMERICA? CERTAINLY WE HAD HAD OUR MEN OF COURAGE AND  
WISDOM; CERTAINLY WE HAVE HAD THE DIRKSENS AND THE ARENDSSES. BUT THEIR

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VOICES HAVE BEEN LONELY VOICES AND THEIR VIRTUES LONELY VIRTUES, WHILE THE POLITICS OF A GREAT NATION WERE SUBORDINATED TO AMBITION, TO APPETITE AND EXPEDIENCY, AND THE QUIET AMERICAN -- THE WORKING AMERICAN, THOSE AMERICANS WHOSE ANSWER TO THE WAR ON POVERTY HAS EVER BEEN "GET A JOB" -- THOSE 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 AND CAN BRING THE LOCAL SOCIOLOGIST ALONG TO PROVE IT, AS THE BURDEN OF CARRYING THESE PARASITES GREW HEAVIER; AS THE BURDENS OF WAR GREW HEAVIER, TAKING OUR MONEY AND OUR SONS; AS THE BURDENS OF FOREIGN GIVE-AWAY PROGRAMS 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 REORDERING PRIORITIES AND TURNING AMERICA AROUND IS NO SMALL TASK. BUT IT IS BEING DONE. AND LAST WEEK WE SAW ANOTHER MAJOR STEP TAKEN ALONG THE GREAT HIGH ROAD BACK TO MORAL PRE-EMINENCE FOR AMERICA.



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

THERE PRESIDENT NIXON SPOKE TO 16,000 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.

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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."

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.

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, THE 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.

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 LAST WEDNESDAY MAKE ME CONFIDENT THAT IT WILL NOT.



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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 UPON. 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.

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

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SET ABOUT DOING WHAT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE HIRED HIM TO DO. 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 IS THE RESPONSE TO THIS 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 NOW HAD CHANGED THEIR MINDS. SUDDENLY, THE WAR WASN'T POLITICALLY USEFUL ANY MORE. 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 HAVE HAMPERED HIM AT EVERY STEP --



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DOING EVERYTHING LIKELY TO PROLONG THE INTRANSIGENCE OF HANOI. AND AT THE SAME TIME, THEY CRITICIZE HIM FOR NOT BRINGING THE PEACE QUICKLY ENOUGH.

WELL, MY FELLOW REPUBLICANS, HE IS BRINGING IT QUICKLY ENOUGH TO REVEAL THE SHAME AND 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.

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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.

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

#### 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 REMEM-

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BERED 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.

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.



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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 INHUMANE. 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

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WE THROW BENEFITS FOR THEM AND THRILL TO THEIR INSULTS. THEY ARE THUGS. THEY MUST BE TREATED LIKE THUGS.

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 IN CAMBODIA ONLY TO SEE IT ATTACKED

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IN SAN FRANCISCO AND CHICAGO AND PHILADELPHIA? 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?

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 GIVE 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!! TO THE RADICALS WHO WOULD MAKE A MOCKERY OF OUR COURTS OF LAW.



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NO!! TO THE HYPOCRITES WHO, IN THE NAME OF FREEDOM, USE 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 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.

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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 -- AMERICA 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. THE PRESIDENT HAS FORWARDED TO THE CONGRESS 13 ANTI-CRIME MEASURES. THE CONGRESS HAS PASSED ONE: THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CRIME BILL. THE OTHER TWLEVE BILLS LIE IN THE CONGRESS, WHILE THE CRIME RATE CONTINUES INEXORABLY UPWARD. WE NEED STRONG MEN IN THE CONGRESS -- 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 LES ARENDS.

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THE SUPREME COURT

AND WE HAVE SEEN THE EFFECTS OF AMBIVALENCE, AMBIGUITY, AND OUTRIGHT ABDICATION OF RESPONSIBILITY ON THE PART OF A HIGH COURT PREVIOUSLY PACKED SOLID WITH LIBERALS. BUT HOW LONG DID IT TAKE THE PRESIDENT TO BEGIN TO CHANGE THE COMPLEXION OF THAT COURT?

HE WAS PERMITTED ONE APPOINTMENT, THAT OF CHIEF JUSTICE BERGER, WHICH WENT THROUGH QUICKLY BEFORE THE SMEAR ARTISTS COULD DIG UP ANYTHING ON HIM.

AND THEN, PRESIDENT NIXON SENT THE NAME OF CLEMENT HAYNSWORTH TO THE SENATE FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES. JUDGE HAYNSWORTH WAS A DISTINGUISHED JURIST, A MAN OF PROVEN ABILITY, EMINENTLY QUALIFIED TO SIT ON THE HIGHEST COURT IN THE LAND, AND IDENTIFIED AS SUCH BY THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION. BUT HE WAS A MAN WHO THOUGHT WE OUGHT TO HAVE REFERENCE TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION AS WE GO ABOUT THE BUSINESS OF RUNNING THE UNITED STATES.



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HE WAS A STRICT CONSTURCTIONIST. THAT'S WHAT HE WAS GUILTY OF. THE SENATE SAID HE WAS ETHICALLY INSENSITIVE, BUT WHAT THEY MEANT WAS HE'S A STRICT CONSTRUCTIONIST. AND THEY VOTED HIM DOWN.

SO THE PRESIDENT SENT UP THE NAME OF HARROLD CARSWELL, AND THEY SAID JUDGE CARSWELL WAS MEDIOCRE, BUT WHAT THEY MEANT WAS JUDGE CARSWELL WAS A STRICT CONSTRUCTIONIST. SO THEY VOTED HIM DOWN. AND THIS HAS BEEN THE NATURE OF RICHARD NIXON'S CONSTANT STRUGGLE TO WORK THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTRY.

#### ECONOMIC RESPONSIBILITY

AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ELECTED RICHARD NIXON BECAUSE THE AMERICAN DOLLAR WAS COLLAPSING.

IN THE FIRST EIGHT YEARS OF THE PAST DECADE, THIS NATION TOOK EVERY INFLATIONARY STEP IT COULD. IT SPENT ABROAD AND IT SPENT AT HOME, AND IT MADE NO CHOICE BETWEEN GUNS AND BUTTER -- IT BOUGHT BOTH.

FIVE YEARS AGO, A MAJOR INFUSION OF AMERICAN FORCES IN VIETNAM BEGAN AND THIS JUMP TO A DE FACTO WARTIME FOOTING THREW A GREAT DEAL OF MONEY INTO THE AMERICAN ECONOMY AT THE SAME TIME THAT NON-DEFENSE SPENDING CONTINUED TO MOUNT.

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AS YOU KNOW, WHEN YOU HAVE TOO MUCH MONEY CHASING TOO FEW GOODS, THE INEVITABLE RESULT IS AN INCREASE IN PRICES. SO PRICES MOVED, AND WAGES MOVED, AND BEFORE WE KNEW IT, WE HAD AN INFLATIONARY SPIRAL GOING THAT WAS HAIR-RAISING.

BUT, THE DEMOCRATS DIDN'T CALL IT INFLATION. THEY CALLED IT PROSPERITY. THE SELF-ANNOINTED PARTY OF THE PEOPLE CALL IT PROSPERITY WHEN THOSE ON OLD-AGE PENSIONS AND SOCIAL SECURITY INCOMES -- AND MILLIONS OF OTHER PEOPLE IN THIS NATION WHO ARE DEPENDENT ON FIXED INCOMES -- ARE SPENDING MORE AND MORE MONEY FOR FEWER AND FEWER GOODS. AND SO THEIR SAVINGS ARE EATEN UP AND FOR THE ELDERLY, THE DREAMS OF A DECENT OLD AGE ARE LOST IN THE FREE WHEELING SCHEMES OF THE PARTY OF THE PEOPLE. THIS IS CALLED PROSPERITY. HOW'S THAT FOR CYNICISM?

WHEN THE PRESIDENT CAME INTO OFFICE, THERE WAS ALLEGED TO BE A SURPLUS OF 2.4 BILLION DOLLARS IN THE TREASURY. THERE WAS NO SURPLUS. THERE WAS AN ILLUSION CREATED BY THE SCHOOL OF ACCOUNTING WHICH MAINTAINS THAT THE HAND IS QUICKER THAN THE EYE.

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NEVERTHELESS, IN APRIL OF THAT YEAR, THE PRESIDENT CUT FOUR BILLION DOLLARS FROM THE JOHNSON BUDGET. THREE MONTHS LATER, HE CUT ANOTHER THREE AND A HALF BILLION. HE DEFERRED FEDERAL SPENDING AT EVERY POSSIBLE TURN. FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ANYONE'S MEMORY, A PRESIDENT HAS HAD THE COURAGE TO SAY TO THE PENTAGON YOU MUST MEET YOUR DEFENSE RESPONSIBILITIES AND YOU MUST ALSO MEET YOUR FISCAL RESPONSIBILITIES. AND DEFENSE SPENDING IS GOING DOWN, WHILE OUR DEFENSE POSTURE REMAINS STRONG.

TODAY THE ECONOMY IS BACK IN THE TRACKS. PRESIDENT NIXON HAS ACCOMPLISHED WHAT HAD NEVER BEEN ACCOMPLISHED BEFORE --- HE HAS COOLED AN INFLATED ECONOMY WITHOUT CAUSING A RECESSION.

BUT HE HAS ~~HAD~~ TO BATTLE AT EVERY TURN. AND THERE IS NO ASSURANCE THAT THE STRUGGLE IS FINISHED. THIS IS AN ELECTION YEAR, AND THERE ARE MANY POLITICIANS RACING AROUND TODAY POINTING WITH PRIDE TO THE SUMS OF MONEY THEY HAVE SUCCEEDED IN SPENDING.



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BUT LES ARENDS IS NOT AMONG THEM BECAUSE HIS RECORD IS CLEAR AND SPEAKS FOR ITSELF. HE IS FOR FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY. HE IS FOR FISCAL INTEGRITY. HE IS AGAINST THOSE WHO WOULD TAKE THE PEOPLE'S MONEY AND PAY THEM BACK WITH ILLUSIONS.

WE NEED LES ARENDS IN THE CONGRESS TO HELP SUPPORT THE PRESIDENT IN HIS FIGHT TO BRING A GENUINE PROSPERITY TO THIS COUNTRY -- ONE BASED ON AN HONEST DAY'S PAY FOR AN HONEST DAY'S WORK ---- ONE THAT ISN'T CONSTRUCTED TO REWARD THOSE WHO ARE SLICK ENOUGH AND FAST ENOUGH ON THEIR FEET TO CASH IN ON THIS WELFARE SCHEME OR THAT SOCIAL EXPERIMENT. YOU'VE HEARD OF ROBBING PETER TO PAY PAUL. THESE GUYS ROB PETER AND PAUL BOTH AND KEEP THE MONEY.

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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 THE DESIRE:

HERE IS THE MAN WITH THE INFLUENCE.

A MAN RICHARD NIXON NEEDS IN THE CONGRESS.

A MAN AMERICA NEEDS IN THE CONGRESS.

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

BUT YOU KNOW THAT FAR BETTER THAN I.

I HAD THE PLEASURE OF SERVING WITH HIM FOR EIGHT YEARS. BUT HE HAS SERVED YOU FOR MOST OF HIS ADULT LIFE.

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

YOU MUST GIVE BACK AN AFFIRMATIVE ANSWER.

YOU MUST RETURN LES ARENDS TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA.