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WELL, I DO FEEL VERY CONFORTABLE HERE WITH MY FELLOW REPUBLICANS.

YOUR OWN THOMAS WOLFE MAY HAVE SAID, "YOU CAN'T GO HOME AGAIN" -BUT I FEEL LIKE I'M HOME HERE IN NORTH CAROLINA.

MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE I AM BACK AGAIN WITH MY GOOD FRIEND,

JIM BROYHILL, WITH WHOM I SERVED IN THE HOUSE. JIM, AS ALL OF YOU KNOW,

HELPED BUILD A SPLENDID FURNITURE FACTORY IN LENOIR. BUT THE STRONGEST

CHAIR HE EVER PRODUCED DID NOT COME OUT OF THERE -- IT IS THAT SEAT IN

WASHINGTON HE HOLDS DOWN WITH SUCH DISTINCTION FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE

10th DISTRICT AND WITH MUCH RESPECT FROM HIS COLLEAGUES -- ON BOTH SIDES

OF THE AISLE.

YES, JIM BROYHILL IS THE KIND OF CONGRESSMAN WE NEED TO KEEP IN WASHINGTON

HE IS MY KIND OF LEGISLATOR, JUST LIKE ALL OF YOU ARE MY KIND OF PEOPLE.

AND YOU ARE PRESIDENT NIXON'S KIND OF PEOPLE -- YOU SUPPORTED HIM IN 1968, AND HE IS SUPPORTING YOU.

HE IS THE FIRST PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES IN MANY A DECADE WHO RECOGNIZED THE SPECIAL PROBLEMS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA TEXTILE INDUSTRY.

AGAINST TREMENDOUS PRESSURES, FOREIGN AND OTHERWISE, HE HAS COMMITTED THE GOVERNMENT TO PROTECTING THE ECONOMIC LIVELIHOOD OF THESE WORKERS.

AND HE WAS THE FIRST PRESIDENT IN MANY A DECADE WHO TRIED TO NOMINATE FOR THE SUPREME COURT A JUDGE WHO UNDERSTOOD THE SOUTH AND THEIR PROBLEMS. NOW, HE WAS VICIOUSLY ATTACKED FOR DARING TO DO THIS.

THERE ARE SOME PEOPLE WHO ACT AS IF IT IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL TO HAVE A SOUTHERNER ON THE SUPREME COURT -- BUT WE KNOW WHAT REALLY VIOLATES THE SPIRIT OF THE COURT AND THE CONSTITUTION ARE JUSTICES WHO ACCEPT CONFLICT-OF-INTEREST PAYMENTS FROM DUBIOUS AND SHADOWY FOUNDATIONS.

AND, BY THE WAY, THIS PARTICULAR SUPREME COURT JUSTICE WAS THE ONE WHO WROTE THE CONCURRING OPINION ON THE SUPREME COURT DECISION AGAINST PRAYER A FEW YEARS AGO. THAT WAS THE OPINION THAT EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT THE NATIONAL ANTHEM SHOULD NOT HAVE GOD IN IT; WEST POINT AND ANNAPOLIS SHOULD NOT HAVE CHAPLAINS; AND OUR COINS SHOULD NOT HAVE "IN GOD WE TRUST" ON THEM.

TO THIS JUSTICE, IT WAS THE INTENT OF THE FOUNDING FATHERS TO BAR THE MENTION OF GOD FROM THE AFFAIRS OF STATE.

WELL, I WONDER WHAT NORTH CAROLINA'S HUGH WILLIAMSON, ONE OF THE
KEY LEADERS OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION, WOULD SAY TO THAT -HUGH WILLIAMSON WHO WAS A LICENSED PREACHER.

WE CANNOT GUESS HIS EXACT WORDS, BUT WE CAN GUESS WHAT HIS INTENT
WOULD BE THIS YEAR -- TO DEFEAT THOSE POLITICIANS WHO ATTACK OUR HERITAGE -NATIONAL AND SPIRITUAL -- WHO SAY HOW MUCH IS WRONG WITH AMERICAN INSTEAD
OF HOW MUCH IS RIGHT ABOUT IT.

THOMAS WOLFE ONCE WROTE, "AMERICA IS A FABULOUS COUNTRY -- WHERE MIRACLES NOT ONLY HAPPEN, BUT HAPPEN ALL THE TIME."

AND I WOULD LIKE TO THINK WHAT HE WOULD SAY TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, WHO SAYS, "AMERICA IS A SICK SOCIETY."

A COLLEAGUE SAID TO ME THE OTHER DAY, "DID YOU READ FULBRIGHT'S BOOK ON AMERICA CALLED THE ARROGANCE OF POWER?" I SAID, "IS THAT WHAT THE BOOK IS SUPPOSED TO BE ABOUT? ITTHOUGHT IT WAS HIS AUTOBIOGRAPHY."

TO FULBRIGHT AND THE OTHER PROFESSIONAL PESSIMISTS, I SAY THAT IT IS TIME TO STOP TEARING AMERICA DOWN, TO STOP THE HANDWRINGING AND THE HEADSHAKING -- IT IS TIME TO REAFFIRM THE VALUES THAT MAKE THIS NATION THE HOPE OF THE WORLD.

YET I AM AFRAID TO SAY, THERE ARE MANY OF THESE PROFESSIONAL PESSIMISTS IN WASHINGTON. THESE ARE THE SAME MEN WHO WANT TO UNILATERALLY WITHDRAW ALL AMERICAN AID FROM INDOCHINA, AN ACT WHICH WOULD NOT SECURE THE PEACE, BUT ONLY PROLONG THE WAR.

PRESIDENT NIXON HAS A PLAN FOR PEACE. IN OVER 19 MONTHS, HE HAS SURELY AND EFFECTIVELY REVERSED THE COURSE OF THE WAR HE INHERITED. HE HAS BROUGHT HOME NEARLY 120,000 TROOPS AND HAS PLEDGED TO BRING HOME ANOTHER 150,000 BY THE END OF NEXT SPRING. PRESIDENT NIXON HAS OFFERED TO STOP THE FIGHTING AND NEGOTIATE WITH HANOI AND THE VIET CONG ON PROPOSALS WHICH SEEK ONLY TO GUARANTEE SELF-DETERMINATION FOR SOUTH VIETNAM.

BUT UNILATERAL WITHDRAWAL IS NO FORMULA FOR PEACE; IT IS A

PRESCRIPTION FOR MILITARY SURRENDER AND POLITICAL DISASTER THAT MORE THAN
50,000 AMERICANS HAVE DIED TO PREVENT.

EVER SINCE JOSEPH HEWES, OF THE CONTINENTAL CONGRESS, FATHERED THE AMERICAN NAVY AND COMMISSIONED JOHN PAUL JONES, NORTH CAROLINA HAS BEEN KNOWN FOR LEADERS WHO BELIEVE IN A STRONG AMERICA. YET MANY IN OUR CONGRESS HAVE BEEN VOTING TO CRIPPLE OUR DEFENSES.

RETREAT FROM THE WORLD. LET US NEVER FORGET THE DESPAIR AND ANGUISH OF PRESIDENT WOODROW WILSON, WHO YOU KNOW WENT TO COLLEGE IN NEARBY DAVIDSON. "BOYS, I TOLD YOU BEFORE YOU WENT ACROSS THE SEAS THIS WAS A WAR AGAINST WARS -- AND I DID MY BEST TO FULFILL THE PROMISES. BUT I AM OBLIGED TO COME TO YOU IN MORTIFICATION AND SHAME AND SAY I HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO FULFILL THE PROMISE. YOU ARE BETRAYED. YOU FOUGHT FOR SOMETHING YOU DID NOT GET."

BUT WITH MEN LIKE JIM BROYHILL, NO AMERICAN PRESIDENT WILL EVER BE FORCED TO MAKE SUCH A STATEMENT.

WITH CONGRESSMEN LIKE HIM, WE WILL WIND THE PEACE IN SOUTHEAST ASIA AND FULFILL THE AIMS OF OUR FIGHTING MEN.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, JUST AS SOME SENATORS AND CONGRESSMEN HAVE UNDERCUT THE PRESIDENT'S EFFORTS TO END THE WAR, SO HAVE THEY UNDERMINED THE PRESIDENT'S EFFORTS TO END INFLATION. THE PROBLEM, MY FRIENDS, OF CONTROLLING FEDERAL SPENDING HAS BECOME CRITICAL. IF WE FAIL IN THIS, RUNAWAY INFLATION WOULD RESUME, PRICES AND INTEREST RATES WOULD SKYROCKET AGAIN, AND NEW TAXES WOULD BECOME INEVITABLE.

GOVERNMENT INDULGENCE OF INFLATION IS A BREACH OF FAITH WITH
THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. FOR INFLATION IS A THIEF. IT STEALS AWAY THE VALUE
OF SAVINGS A WORKING MAN HAS PUT AWAY. IT ROBS HIM OF THE PURCHASING
POWER OF THE DOLLAR HE EARNS.

YET THOSE WHO, WHILE BEATING THEIR BREASTS ABOUT THE NEEDS OF THE POOR WORKER, WOULD CYNICALLY LET IRRESPONSIBLE SPENDING ERODE THE INCOME AND SAVINGS OF THE SAME WORKER.

THESE SPENDERS ARE LIKE THOSE WHO WANT TO DANCE BUT DON'T WANT
TO PAY THE PIPER.

A FISCALLY RECKLESS CONCRESSMAN IS LIKE ONE WHO WOULD BUY A LOW-NECKED COWN FOR GIRL SHAPED LIKE TWIGGY. HE DOESN'T MIND AN UNCOVERED DEFICE.

WE ARE NOW GOING THROUGH A GREAT AWAKENING. MILLIONS OF AMERICANS
ARE OPENING THEIR EYES TO THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE WILD SPENDING RIDE OF
THE SIXTIES. AND THEY ARE DETERMINED THAT CONGRESSMEN MARCH INTO THE
SEVENTIES WITH THEIR EYES WIDE OPEN.

JIM BROYHILL WILL LAY IT ON THE LINE -- HE WILL LEVEL WITH YOU ABOUT SPENDING. HE WILL SAY YOU PAY FOR WHAT YOU GET -- THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS SOMETHING FOR NOTHING. YOU PAY FOR THAT SPENDING IN TERMS OF HIGHER PRICES AND HIGHER TAXES.

THAT IS NOT A MESSAGE THE RADICAL ECONOMISTS OR PROMISSORY POLITICIANS LIKE TO HEAR. BUT IT IS THE TRUTH.

TRUTH IS STRANGER THAN FICTION, BUT THIS YEAR SOME DEMOCRAT'S

CAMPAIGN STATEMENTS SEEM STRANGER THAN EITHER. WHAT SEEMS STRANGE THIS

YEAR IS THE NEW-FOUND DEMOCRAT CONCERN FOR LAW AND ORDER. AFTER MONTHS OF

BLOCKING PRESIDENT NIXON'S ANTI-NARCOTICS PROGRAM, THE D.C. CRIME BILL,

AND THE ORGANIZED CRIME BILL, THEY SUDDENLY HAVE BEEN REVERSING THEMSELVES

ONCE THEY STARTED TO FEEL THE HEAT FROM BACK HOME.

NOW, AFTER I LISTEN TO SOME OF THESE DEMOCRAT CANDIDATES TALK,

I'M BEGINNING TO THINK THAT NOT SINCE MY FELLOW KANSAN, WYATT EARP, GOT

THE REWARD FOR ARRESTING ONE OF THE JAMES BROTHERS HAVE THERE BEEN SO

MANY CANDIDATES WANTING TO BE SHERIFF.

BUT SOME OF THESE SAME PEOPLE TALKING LIKE A SHERIFF NOW WERE

NOT AROUND TO BE DEPUTIZED WHEN THE PRESIDENT ASKED FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION

ON HIS CRIME LEGISLATION.

AND DESPITE A LOT OF DEMOCRAT OPPOSITION, THE PRESIDENT HAS SIGNED LEGISLATION TO USE THE FBI TO INVESTIGATE CAMPUS BOMBING. AND HE TOOK ACTION IN PREVENTING AIR HIJACKING BY APPOINTING A FORCE OF SKY MARSHALS UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF THE NEGRO RETIRED AIR FORCE GENERAL, BENJAMIN DAVIS.

YET, THE DEMOCRATS* RECORD ON CRIME AND DISORDER IN CONGRESS AND AROUND THE COUNTRY HAS BEEN TOO OFTEN ONE OF APATHY OR APPEASEMENT. THEY REFUSED TO FACE THE FACTS AND TO TAKE CORRECTIVE ACTION. TOO OFTEN THEY HAVE SIDED WITH THE ABBIE HOFFMAN'S INSTEAD OF JUDGE HOFFMAN -- AND WITH THE ANGELA DAVIS'S INSTEAD OF GENERAL DAVIS.

TWO YEARS AGO, THE PEOPLE VOTED FOR CHANGE. THEY WERE TIRED OF WILD SPENDING PROGRAMS WITHOUT PLANNING; TIRED OF WAR WITH NO PLAN FOR PEACE; TIRED OF INCREASING CRIME WITH NO COORDINATED PROGRAMS TO CURB THE CRIMINALS; TIRED OF WELFARE ROLES WITH NO PLAN OR INCENTIVE TO REVERSE THE TREND; TIRED OF PROMISES WITHOUT PERFORMANCE -- YES, TIRED OF DEMOCRAT DEFICITS, DEMOCRAT DIVISIONS, AND DEMOCRAT DESPAIR, SO THEY ELECTED RICHARD NIXON PRESIDENT.

NOW, I ASK YOU: "HAS PRESIDENT NIXON COME FORTH WITH A PLAN FOR PEACE? HAS HE CHAMPIONED THE RULE OF LAW? HAS HE BROUGHT ECONOMIC RESPONSIBILITY TO WASHINGTON?"

IN THE OPENING OF "LOOK HOMEWARD, ANGEL," THOMAS WOLFE WRITES,
"WHICH OF US HAVE KNOWN OUR BROTHER; WHICH OF US HAVE LOOKED INTO OUR
FATHER'S HEART?"

AND I SAY THAT IF WE LOOK INTO OUR OWN HEARTS OR THE HEARTS OF OUR FOREFATHERS, WE KNOW WHAT KIND OF AMERICA WE WANT. IT IS THE KIND OF AMERICA YOU, RICHARD NIXON, AND JIM BROYHILL ARE TRYING TO BUILD.