

INTRODUCTION OF SENATOR SCOTT

KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY - A LONDON LECTURE

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IT IS A GREAT HONOR FOR ME TODAY TO INTRODUCE THE REPUBLICAN LEADER OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE TO SO MANY MEMBERS OF THE GENERATION THAT WILL LEAD KANSAS AND THE UNITED STATES IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

SENATOR HUGH SCOTT IS ONE OF A GROUP OF VERY DISTINGUISHED AMERICANS WHO HAVE PAID TRIBUTE TO ANOTHER DISTINGUISHED AMERICAN, GOVERNOR ALFRED M. LONDON, AND WHO HAVE HONORED KANSAS AND KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY WITH THEIR APPEARANCES IN THIS FORUM.

WE HAVE LEARNED MUCH FROM THE WORDS OF PAST SPEAKERS ON THIS PLATFORM, AND I AM CONFIDENT THAT TODAY WILL BE NO EXCEPTION.

FOR HUGH SCOTT, THE SENIOR SENATOR FROM PENNSYLVANIA, IS A UNIQUE MAN. HE IS, IF YOU WILL, A MAN FOR ALL SEASONS.

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IN POLITICS HE IS AN ARTIST, INDEED, A VIRTUOSO. IN PRIVATE LIFE HE IS A LOVER AND A CONNOISSEUR OF ART, OF CHINESE ART IN PARTICULAR. WHILE OTHERS PLAY PING PONG, SENATOR SCOTT VISITS MUSEUMS AND COLLECTS FASCINATING OBJECTS OF CHINESE ART.

HIS LEADERSHIP, IF NOT FLAMBOYANT, IS CERTAINLY EFFECTIVE. THOSE WHO HAVE WORKED WITH HIM OR WHO HAVE RUN AFOUL OF HIM CAN TESTIFY EQUALLY TO THAT.

HERE IS A MAN WITH GREAT NATURAL ABILITIES WHICH HAVE BEEN ENHANCED AND HONED BY YEARS OF EXPERIENCE.

HERE IS A MAN, AS HIS BIOGRAPHY APTLY PUTS IT, "OF CALM AND GENTLE PERSUASION WITH A RECORD FOR WINNING."

HIS BACKGROUND AS A REPUBLICAN LEADER IS A LONG ONE. HE SERVED 16 YEARS IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND DURING THAT PERIOD ALSO SERVED A HITCH IN THE JOB I NOW HOLD---REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CHAIRMAN. HE IS LIVING PROOF THAT A MAN CAN SIMULTANEOUSLY

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SERVE HIS PARTY AND HIS COUNTRY EFFECTIVELY. I HOPE TO DO AS WELL.

SENATOR SCOTT WAS ELECTED TO THE UNITED STATES SENATE IN 1958 AND HAS BEEN RE-ELECTED TWICE SINCE. HE SUCCEEDED TO THE LEADERSHIP OF HIS PARTY IN THE SENATE AFTER THE DEATH OF SENATOR EVERETT DIRKSEN AND SUCCESSFULLY FENDED OFF A CHALLENGE TO THAT LEADERSHIP LAST JANUARY. I PREDICT THAT HE IS ON HIS WAY TO BECOMING A FIXTURE IN THAT POST.

ASIDE FROM HIS INTERESTS IN ART AND POLITICS, SENATOR SCOTT IS ALSO A COLLECTOR OF PIPES, OF WHICH HE HAS ABOUT 500, AND STAMPS. I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY OF THESE HE HAS OR HOW MANY ARE GREEN OR HOW MANY ARE FOOD.

HE IS ALSO AN AUTHOR IN HIS FAVORITE FIELDS. ONE BOOK, FOR INSTANCE, IS ENTITLED "THE GOLDEN AGE OF CHINESE ART".

BUT THE ONE I LIKE BEST--AND MAY EVEN READ SOME DAY--IS "HOW TO RUN FOR PUBLIC OFFICE AND WIN".

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IT IS A BOOK ON HOW TO SECCEED BY A MAN WHO IS INDEED A  
SUCCESS. I COMMEND IT TO YOU, BUT EVEN MORE I COMMEND TO YOU THE  
MAN WHO WROTE IT.

I AM HONORED TO INTRODUCE TO YOU TODAY THE REPUBLICAN LEADER  
OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE, A MAN I ADMIRE AND A MAN WHOM I  
CONSIDER TO BE A GREAT AMERICAN, MY GOOD FRIEND, SENATOR HUGH SCOTT.