

Don't tell the truth
I want to cheat you

IT IS A PLEASURE TO BE HERE WITH YOU THIS EVENING AT
BARRY COLLEGE AND TO HAVE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO TALK WITH YOU ABOUT WHAT I
PERCEIVE TO BE SOME OF THE CHALLENGES FACING THE COUNTRY -- SOME OF ITS
OPPORTUNITIES -X AND HOW THOSE CONSIDERATIONS TRANSLATE INTO ISSUES
IN THE 1972 NATIONAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN.

BUT BEFORE I PROCEED ALONG THOSE LINES, I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE
A FEW OBSERVATIONS, JUST BRIEFLY, AS SOMEONE OUTSIDE THE COMMUNITY OF
BARRY COLLEGE, ABOUT THE SIGNIFICANCE OF A GATHERING LIKE THIS ONE.

PRESIDENT FAVORS DIVERSITY

THE PRESIDENT OBSERVED, NOT TOO LONG AGO IN PHILADELPHIA
THAT "NO SINGLE SCHOOL SYSTEM, WHETHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE, MUST EVER GAIN
ABSOLUTE MONOPOLY OVER EDUCATION . . . BECAUSE SUCH A SYSTEM, ONE THAT HAD
A TOTAL MONOPOLY, WOULD NEVER REFLECT THE DIVERSITY AND THE RICHNESS OF
OUR NATIONAL HERITAGE . . . (AND) WOULD LACK ALL TOGETHER THAT ESSENTIAL
SPUR OF COMPETITION TO INNOVATE AND GROW."

AT THE TIME HE SPOKE, HE WAS REFERRING PRIMARILY TO ELEMENTARY
AND SECONDARY EDUCATION, BUT I BELIEVE -- AND I THINK THE PRESIDENT WOULD
AGREE -- THAT HIS WORDS APPLY NO LESS COMPELLINGLY TO HIGHER EDUCATION.

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IN THE EARLY SCHOOL YEARS, AS THE CLICHE GOES, YOUNG MINDS ARE FORMED. IN LATER YEARS, DURING HIGHER EDUCATION THEY BEGIN TO MATURE. IT IS WELL KNOWN THAT IN CERTAIN OTHER SOCIETIES, GREAT PAINS ARE TAKEN TO MAKE SURE THAT THE MINDS OF ALL YOUTH ARE FORMED IN THE SAME WAY AND THAT THEY MATURE IN THE SAME WAY. THAT IS SOMETHING WE COULD NEVER TOLERATE IN THIS COUNTRY, AND INDEED IT IS SOMETHING WE COULD NEVER AFFORD.

CONCERN FOR THE SMALL COLLEGE

FOR THIS COUNTRY IS BUILT --- AND EVEN THRIVES ON DIVERSITY -- THE KIND OF DIVERSITY THAT IS MADE POSSIBLE IN PART BY PRIVATE EDUCATION -- AND BY THE SUPPORT OF PEOPLE LIKE YOURSELVES FOR INSTITUTIONS LIKE THIS ONE.

X YOU DESERVE CREDIT FOR THAT SUPPORT. Y BUT I DON'T THINK THAT CREDIT IS WHAT YOU WANT NEARLY SO MUCH AS YOU WANT SOME ASSURANCE THAT IN THIS PERIOD -- IN WHAT AMOUNTS TO A PERIOD OF NATIONAL CRISIS FOR EDUCATION -- A PERIOD OF RISING COSTS AND CHANGING VALUES AND A GENERAL UNCERTAINTY EVEN ABOUT THE VERY PURPOSE OF EDUCATION -- YOU SEEK ASSURANCE THAT THERE IS A FUTURE FOR INSTITUTIONS LIKE BARRY COLLEGE. AT A TIME WHEN EXPANDING ENROLLMENTS AND CHANGING PERCEPTIONS HAVE SPAWNED ENORMOUS PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, SOME WITH TENS OF THOUSANDS OF STUDENTS, AND WHEN ECONOMIES OF SCALE MAKE SUCH INSTITUTIONS APPEAR ALL THE MORE ATTRACTIVE -- IN FINANCIAL TERMS AT LEAST -- THE QUESTION MUST OCCUR TO YOU, IT DOES TO ME -- WHAT IS THE FUTURE OF THE SMALL COLLEGE -- THE SMALL LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGE THAT MAY BE LESS CONCERNED WITH ECONOMIES OF SCALE THAN IT IS WITH, SAY, THE QUALITY OF CURRICULUM OR ITS COMMITMENT TO A PARTICULAR EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY AND TO RETAINING ITS PARTICULAR IDENTITY.

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NIXON PROPOSAL FAVORED

THE QUESTION HAS OCCURRED TO THE PRESIDENT, TOO, AND I THINK HIS ANSWER IS MADE CLEAR BY THE PROPOSALS HE HAS MADE -- PROPOSALS LIKE A NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION -- WHICH ARE INTENDED, IN HIS WORDS, TO HELP INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION STRENGTHEN THEIR INDIVIDUALITY.

4 SPEAKING OF THE LARGER COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, THE PRESIDENT SAID THAT " MANY HAVE LOST THEIR WAY. THE SERVANTS OF MANY MASTERS AND THE MANAGERS OF MANY ENTERPRISES, THEY ARE LESS AND LESS ABLE TO PERFORM THEIR ESSENTIAL TASKS WELL." THE PROPOSAL FOR THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION IS DESIGNED TO RESCUE THOSE WHO HAVE LOST THEIR WAY AND AT THE SAME TIME, TO STRENGTHEN THOSE, LIKE BARRY COLLEGE, WHO ALREADY KNOW IN WHICH DIRECTION THEY WISH TO TRAVEL.

THE PRESIDENT HAS MADE A NUMBER OF PROPOSALS IN THE FIELD OF HIGHER EDUCATION. SOME HAVE PASSED CONGRESS, OTHERS STILL AWAIT ACTION. SOME MIGHT ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF THE SMALL COLLEGE QUITE DIRECTLY, OTHERS LESS SO, BUT NONE WOULD IGNORE THOSE NEEDS NOR POSE A THREAT TO THEM. FOR THE PRESIDENT, HIMSELF A GRADUATE OF A SMALL COLLEGE, KNOWS AS WELL AS ANYONE HERE, THE VALUE OF THE PARTICULAR POTENTIAL AND OFTEN UNIQUE SPIRIT THESE INSTITUTIONS HAVE TO OFFER.

NOT JUST MORE, BUT BETTER

THE PRESIDENT HAS DEMONSTRATED HIS CONCERNS FOR THE FUTURE OF EDUCATION IN AMERICA. AND HE HAS DEMONSTRATED THAT THOSE CONCERNS ARE MORE THAN QUANTITATIVE. THEY GO RIGHT TO THE HEART OF THE MATTER, TO THE QUESTION OF IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION AT ALL LEVELS IN THIS COUNTRY. I BELIEVE HE HAS GIVEN US -- WE WHO ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE FUTURE OF AMERICAN SCHOOLS -- THE KIND OF LEADERSHIP WE HAVE BEEN LOOKING FOR: THE KIND THAT AMERICA DESERVES. AND IT IS PRECISELY THE QUESTION OF WHETHER WE CAN LOOK FORWARD TO THE CONTINUATION OF THAT LEADERSHIP, NOT JUST IN EDUCATIONAL MATTERS, NOT JUST IN DOMESTIC AFFAIRS, BUT ACROSS THE WHOLE SPECTRUM OF AMERICAN LIFE AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS THAT CHIEFLY CONCERNS ME AS CHAIRMAN OF THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

I WOULD SUGGEST THAT THE CHOICE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WILL MAKE IN NOVEMBER WHEN THEY VOTE FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES REPRESENTS MUCH MORE THAN SIMPLY THEIR DECISION ON WHO WILL OCCUPY THE WHITE HOUSE FOR THE NEXT FOUR YEARS.

I TRULY BELIEVE THAT WHAT IS AT STAKE NOW, IN THIS CAMPAIGN AND IN THE FALL ELECTION IS NOTHING LESS THAN THE FUTURE DIRECTION OF THIS COUNTRY -- AND THE WORLD -- DURING THE COURSE OF THE REST OF THIS CENTURY.

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I AM SURE THAT SOUNDS LIKE JUST ANOTHER POLITICAL STATEMENT AND THAT BY NOW, YOU ARE ALL WELL ACCUSTOMED TO HEARING POLITICIANS REFER TO ELECTIONS THIS WAY. EVERY ELECTION IS SAID TO BE CRUCIAL BY ITS PARTICIPANTS. AND EVEN IF IT WERE NOT, ONE CAN HARDLY EXPECT TO BE TOLD BY POLITICIANS THAT IT MAKES NO DIFFERENCE WHOM YOU VOTE FOR OR WHICH PARTY YOU SUPPORT.

SO PHRASES LIKE "FUTURE OF THE COUNTRY" AND "CRITICAL TEST" AND "AMERICAN DESTINY" SEEM TO POP UP IN THE NEWSPAPERS AND POP OUT OF POLITICIANS' MOUTHS WITH INCREASING EASE AND FREQUENCY EVERY FOUR YEARS AT ABOUT THIS TIME.

VOTERS CHOICE IN NOVEMBER A FUNDAMENTAL ONE

BUT THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS, THAT CLICHED AS THESE TERMS MAY BE, THEY TAKE ON, IN MY VIEW, A NEW URGENCY AND A SPECIAL MEANING IN THIS CAMPAIGN OF 1972.

CRUCIAL AS OUR CHOICE OF PRESIDENT IS, THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ELECTIONS IN THE FALL GOES FAR BEYOND OUR DESIGNATION OF ONE MAN TO HEAD OUR GOVERNMENT AND LEAD OUR NATION. EVEN NOW, BEFORE THE DEMOCRATS HAVE SETTLED ON A SINGLE, AGREED UPON CANDIDATE, IT HAS BECOME APPARENT THAT THE AMERICAN VOTER WILL FACE A CHOICE NOT JUST BETWEEN TWO OPPOSING CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT, BUT BETWEEN TWO OPPOSING PHILOSOPHIES OF GOVERNMENT AND TWO DIFFERENT PERCEPTIONS OF AMERICA, OF ITS GREATNESS AND OF ITS POTENTIAL.

/// AND THE REAL TEST OF THESE PHILOSOPHIES AND THESE PERCEPTIONS LIES NOT SO MUCH IN WHAT MAY BE SAID HERE TODAY OR WHAT MAY BE SAID DURING THE CAMPAIGN, AS IT LIES IN WHAT IS BEING DONE BY THIS REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATION HEADED BY RICHARD NIXON AND HOW THAT COMPARES WITH THE PAST PERFORMANCE OF RECENT DEMOCRAT ADMINISTRATIONS. one

TRUST WORKS BOTH WAYS

AT THE BEGINNING OF THE CAMPAIGN, YOU MAY REMEMBER, THE DEMOCRATS ~~THE DEMOCRATS~~ SPOKE OFTEN OF "TRUST."

OF COURSE TRUST IS AN IMPORTANT ISSUE. I JUST DO NOT BELIEVE THAT IT WILL WORK IN FAVOR OF THOSE WHO ARE SEEKING TO CAPITALIZE ON IT. IT IS THE SORT OF MUTUAL TRUST THAT I HAVE SPOKEN OF, TRUST OF THE GOVERNED BY A GOVERNMENT WHICH IN TURN HAS CONFIDENCE IN ITS PEOPLE, THAT IS THE ISSUE. AND IT IS THIS SORT OF TRUST WHICH IS SO LARGE A COMPONENT OF LEADERSHIP. IT IS IMAGINATION, INTELLIGENCE, RESPONSIBILITY, RESPONSIVENESS, AND TRUST WHICH DEFINE THE LARGER ISSUE IN CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN POLITICS AND THE LARGER REQUIREMENT FOR AN AMERICAN PRESIDENT. FOR ALL OF THESE THINGS TOGETHER, IMAGINATION, INTELLIGENCE, TRUST, RESPONSIBILITY AND RESPONSIVENESS COMPRISE THE VERY DEFINITION OF LEADERSHIP. AND IT IS LEADERSHIP WHICH, IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS, IS THE MAJOR ISSUE IN THIS CAMPAIGN.

NIXON ADDRESSES REAL ISSUE -- LEADERSHIP

AND IN MY VIEW, RICHARD NIXON BY HIS RECORD OF PERFORMANCE OVER THE PAST THREE YEARS OR SO, HAS IN A VERY REAL AND RESPONSIBLE WAY, PRE-EMPTED THAT ISSUE OF LEADERSHIP.

TAKE A LOOK AT THE RECORD OF THIS REPUBLICAN PRESIDENT AND OF HIS ADMINISTRATION. THERE IS A PATTERN OF REPEATED SUCCESS AND THERE EMERGES AS WELL, A COHERENT PHILOSOPHY TO EXPLAIN THAT PATTERN.

ON THE FOREIGN POLICY FRONT, THERE HAS BEEN A PATTERN OF PEACE AND OF EFFORTS TO SECURE FURTHER PEACE, AND THAT PATTERN ALLOWS US NOW TO DARE TO HOPE -- AND REALISTICALLY TO WORK -- TOWARDS A GOAL WE ALL SHARE -- A FULL GENERATION OF PEACE FOR ALL MANKIND.

THE CHINA TRIP AND THE PLANNED JOURNEY TO THE SUMMIT IN MOSCOW NEXT MAY, WOULD ALONE BE ADEQUATE PROOF OF THIS PRESIDENT'S RESOLVE TO REDUCE INTERNATIONAL TENSIONS AND EASE THE CHANCES OF INTERNATIONAL CONFLICT. BY THESE TWO TRIPS ALONE, RICHARD NIXON IS PROVING THAT IT IS HIS OFFICIAL POLICY AND HIS PERSONAL COMMITMENT TO "GO THE EXTRA MILE FOR PEACE."

PAINSTAKING EFFORTS FOR PEACE

BUT OF COURSE, THESE TWO TRIPS DO NOT STAND ALONE AMONG THE PAINSTAKING EFFORTS OF THIS ADMINISTRATION TO REMOVE WAR AND THE THREAT OF WAR FROM AMERICA'S FUTURE AND THE FUTURE OF THE WORLD.

THE HISTORY OF OUR POLICY IN VIETNAM SINCE PRESIDENT NIXON TOOK OFFICE IN 1969, HAS BEEN THE HISTORY OF AMERICAN EFFORTS TO WIN THE PEACE. THROUGH VIETNAMIZATION, THROUGH THE NEGOTIATIONS IN PARIS AND THROUGH THE EXTRAORDINARY PRIVATE NEGOTIATIONS CONDUCTED FOR THIRTY MONTHS BY FOREIGN POLICY ADVISER HENRY KISSINGER, THIS PRESIDENT HAS MOVED THE SITUATION IN THAT WAR-TORN AND TROUBLED AREA OF THE WORLD CLOSER AND CLOSER TO ITS ONLY ACCEPTABLE RESOLUTION -- AN END TO THE CONFLICT AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A JUST AND HONORABLE PEACE.

THERE ARE THOSE I KNOW WHO SAY THAT THE RECENT EVENTS IN INDOCHINA RUN CONTRARY TO MY ASSERTION. THEY SAY THAT FAR FROM HASTENING THE PEACE, THE PRESIDENT'S POLICY OF VIETNAMIZATION HAS ONLY WIDENED AND EXTENDED THE WAR. I WOULD SUBMIT THAT THOSE WHO HOLD TO THIS VIEW UNDERSTAND NEITHER VIETNAMIZATION NOR PEACE. THE RECENT BOMBING, WHICH THE PRESIDENT ORDERED -- AS MOST RESPONSIBLE OBSERVERS AGREE -- CAME ONLY IN REACTION TO THE MOST BLATANT AND INEXCUSABLE DISPLAY OF NAKED AGGRESSION, PERPETRATED BY THE NORTH VIETNAMESE WITH THE MILITARY SUPPORT AND APPARENT ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE SOVIET UNION. IT WASN'T VIETNAMIZATION WHICH INTENSIFIED THE FIGHTING NOR THE POLICIES OF RICHARD NIXON, NOR THE ARMIES OF SOUTH VIETNAM.

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ONLY ONE THING BROUGHT THAT ABOUT -- THE INTRANSIGENCE OF THE ENEMY IN THE NORTH -- AND HIS UNPRECEDENTED INVASION WITH TWELVE ARMORED DIVISIONS. VIETNAMIZATION HAS CLEARLY NOT FAILED. ON THE ONE HAND IT WAS INTENDED TO GIVE THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE THE ABILITY TO DEFEND THEMSELVES ON THE GROUND AND THEY HAVE DONE THAT AND DONE IT WELL. ON THE OTHER HAND, VIETNAMIZATION WAS A CAREFULLY DESIGNED PLAN TO PERMIT THE WITHDRAWAL OF AMERICAN GROUND FORCES. FAR FROM FAILING, VIETNAMIZATION IS SHOWING SIGNS OF SUCCESS AND EVEN DURING THE RECENT RENEWAL OF THE FIGHTING, AMERICAN MEN HAVE BEEN RETURNING HOME AT A RATE OF ALMOST A THOUSAND A DAY. SO I WOULD ASK THE CRITICS OF THE PRESIDENT'S FOREIGN POLICY WHERE IS THE FAILURE OF VIETNAMIZATION? I DON'T SEE IT. RATHER IN ALMOST EVERY FOREIGN POLICY INITIATIVE RICHARD NIXON HAS TAKEN, I SEE ENCOURAGING SIGNS OF SUCCESS.

IN THE MIDDLE EAST, THERE IS TODAY A TENUOUS BUT ENDURING CEASEFIRE ESTABLISHED AT THE INITIATIVE OF SECRETARY ROGERS.

IN BERLIN, WE ACHIEVED A MOMENTOUS FOUR-POWER AGREEMENT.

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IN VIENNA AND HELSINKI, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE WORLD'S TWO GREATEST NUCLEAR POWERS -- POTENTIAL ENEMIES THOUGH THEY ARE -- HAVE MET IN HISTORIC NEGOTIATIONS TO DISCUSS WAYS TO LIMIT THEIR NUCLEAR WEAPONRY. THERE HAVE ALREADY BEEN SOME LIMITED SUCCESSES THERE AND GOOD REASON TO BE OPTIMISTIC ABOUT THE CHANCES FOR A SIGNIFICANT AGREEMENT WHEN THEY RESUME DISCUSSIONS IN MAY.

PRESIDENT NIXON HAS TERMINATED THE MANUFACTURER OF CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS OF WAR AND HAS BEGUN TO ELIMINATE THE STOCKPILES OF THESE MENACING MATERIALS.

WE HAVE A NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY AND AN AGREEMENT TO BAN NUCLEAR WEAPONS FROM THE OCEAN FLOOR.

PARTNERSHIP ASSURES STRENGTH

AND ALL OF THIS HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED AGAINST A BACKDROP OF CONTINUED AMERICAN STRENGTH AND THE RENEWED STRENGTH OF OUR DEFENSE ALLIANCES. PRESIDENT NIXON UNDERSTANDS THE NECESSITY TO STAY STRONG NOT JUST IN TIMES OF CONFLICT BUT IN TIMES OF LESSENING CONFLICT AND DIMINISHING TENSIONS AS WELL.

HE UNDERSTANDS, IN FACT, THAT HIS MOVES IN THE DIRECTION OF PEACE HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE NOT IN SPITE OF THAT STRENGTH BUT PRECISELY BECAUSE OF IT. AND HE UNDERSTANDS, AS HAS NO AMERICAN PRESIDENT IN THE PAST DOZEN YEARS, HOW IMPORTANT TO THAT STRENGTH IS THE CREDIBILITY AND THE VIABILITY OF OUR ALLIANCES. STRENGTH THROUGH PARTNERSHIP AND COOPERATION IS A KEYSTONE OF THE PRESIDENT'S FOREIGN POLICIES. THE SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THOSE POLICIES IN THE PAST THREE YEARS AND ESPECIALLY IN THE PAST FEW MONTHS AND DAYS, IS COMPELLING TESTIMONY TO THE LEADERSHIP OF RICHARD NIXON, TO HIS UNDERSTANDING OF WORLD REALITIES AND TO THE VALIDITY OF THE THEME OF PARTNERSHIP IN WORLD AFFAIRS.

AND THAT THEME CHARACTERIZES HIS DOMESTIC POLICIES AND MARKS THEM FOR SUCCESS EQUAL TO HIS ACHIEVEMENTS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

THE MOST OBVIOUS INDICATOR OF THE PARTNERSHIP THEME IN THE DOMESTIC POLICIES OF THIS PRESIDENT IS THE REVENUE SHARING PROPOSAL HE INTRODUCED LAST YEAR TO AN AS YET UNRESPONSIVE CONGRESS. IN MARKED CONTRAST TO THE FASCINATION AMONG SOME WITH ACCELERATING THE FLOW OF POWER FROM THE PEOPLE TO THE GOVERNMENT IN WASHINGTON, THIS PROPOSAL IS BUILT ON THE COUNTER PREMISE THAT IT IS TIME FOR THAT FLOW TO BE REVERSED. FOR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO BEGIN TO RELINQUISH SOME OF THE CONTROL OVER LOCAL MATTERS WHICH IT HAS ASSUMED IN RECENT YEARS AND GIVE IT BACK TO LOCAL PEOPLE WHO KNOW BEST THEIR OWN PROBLEMS AND CAN BEST WORK OUT THE SOLUTIONS TO THEM.

BUT REVENUE SHARING IS NOT THE SOLE EXAMPLE OF THE NIXON POLICY OF DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP NOR IS THAT THEME RESERVED FOR UNPASSED PROPOSALS WHICH AWAIT THEIR FATE AT THE HANDS OF THE CONGRESS.

THE RECORD OF THIS REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATION IS A RECORD OF ACCOMPLISHMENT AND PROGRESS. AND THE MANY NOTABLE SUCCESSES OF THE ADMINISTRATION ARE CHARACTERIZED BY THE FACT THAT ALL DEPENDED UPON THE WILLING COOPERATION OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND THE ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT OF A VARIETY OF AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS AND OF GOVERNMENT AT ALL LEVELS.

THE PRESIDENT IS WINNING THE FIGHT AGAINST INFLATION. HE IS DOING IT THE ONLY REALISTIC WAY IT IS POSSIBLE -- WITH THE SUPPORT OF AMERICANS ACROSS THIS LAND. WHEN HE INVOKED WAGE AND PRICE CONTROLS, HE REFUSED TO TAKE A COURSE OF ACTION THAT MANY PEOPLE HAD URGED UPON HIM. HE REFUSED TO ESTABLISH A MASSIVE ARMY OF FEDERAL BUREAUCRATS TO ENFORCE THE CONTROLS. INSTEAD HE CALLED UPON THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AT LARGE TO FUNCTION AS AN ALL-VOLUNTEER ARMY OF INTERESTED CITIZENS AND TO MAKE, BY THEIR GOOD WILL AND COOPERATION -- BY THEIR PARTNERSHIP -- A VICTORY FOR US ALL AGAINST THE RAMPANT INFLATION THAT FOR TOO LONG HAS ROBBED THE POCKETS OF ALL AMERICANS.

NIXON'S GOALS ARE AMERICA'S GOALS

AND TOO, PRESIDENT NIXON AND HIS ADMINISTRATION HAS DESEGREGATED MORE SCHOOLS THAN ANY PRESIDENT IN HISTORY. THIS WAS DONE PEACEFULLY AND WITH ALMOST NONE OF THE DISRUPTION THAT HAD MARKED SIMILAR EFFORTS OF PREVIOUS CHIEF EXECUTIVES. AND THE ONE THING THAT MADE THIS POSSIBLE WAS THE DETERMINATION OF THE PRESIDENT TO ENLIST AND RELY UPON THE COOPERATION OF LOCAL PEOPLE AND LOCAL INSTITUTIONS IN THIS EFFORT.

I BELIEVE THAT THE APPEAL OF THIS PRESIDENT FOR THE SUPPORT AND ACTIVE COOPERATION OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, FOR THEIR PRAYERS IN WHAT THEY CANNOT BE DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN AND FOR THEIR WORK IN WHAT THEY CAN, IS THE ONLY PROPER POSTURE FOR AN AMERICAN PRESIDENT TO TAKE. IT IS, INDEED THE ONLY POSTURE CONSISTENT WITH OUR AMERICAN TRADITION.

AND IT IS THE ONLY WAY THE AMERICAN PEOPLE CAN ACHIEVE THE GOALS THEY HAVE SET FOR THEMSELVES -- A BETTER AMERICA AND A MORE PEACEFUL WORLD. THE PRESIDENT SPEAKS OF A FULL GENERATION OF PEACE AND OF REAL PROSPERITY WITHOUT INFLATION. THESE ARE THE GOALS HE HAS SET FOR HIMSELF AND FOR HIS ADMINISTRATION. BUT THEY ARE NOT GOALS HE HAS IMPOSED ON AMERICA. THEY ARE THE VERY GOALS WHICH HAVE EMERGED FROM THE CONSENSUS OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. THEY ARE WHAT THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTRY WANT AND HAVE A RIGHT TO EXPECT THEIR ELECTED LEADERS TO WORK FOR.

GOOD BEGINNINGS DESERVE AMERICA'S SUPPORT

THOSE WHO WOULD DISCOUNT THEM AS UNREALISTIC OR UNATTAINABLE, THOSE WHO WOULD TRY TO DISCREDIT THEM AS POLITICAL RHETORIC, FAIL TO PERCEIVE THE NEEDS AND DESIRES OF OUR PEOPLE JUST AS THEY FAILED TO PERCEIVE THE NEEDS AND THE POSSIBILITIES OF A CHANGING WORLD WHEN -- IN THE SIXTIES -- THEY HAD A CHANCE TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.

THIS PRESIDENT -- RICHARD NIXON -- HAS DURING THE PAST THREE YEARS, DONE MORE ABOUT IT -- DONE MORE TO WIN THE PEACE AND RESTORE PEACE-TIME PROSPERITY -- THAN ANY PRESIDENT IN THIS CENTURY.

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