# INTRODUCTORY REMARKS FOR MARIOTT DINNER

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THE PIONEERS WHO TREKKED ACROSS THE UNKNOWN WILDERNESS TO FIND THIS LAND, KNOWN AS THE GREAT SALT LAKE BASIN, WERE A MARVEL. THEY BUILT A GREAT CITY AND ESTABLISHED THE GREAT STATE OF UTAH. ALL AROUND WE SEE THE FRUITS OF THEIR LABORS, AND THEIR DESCENDANTS HAVE SHOWN US THAT THE PIONEER SPIRIT -- THE SPIRIT THAT MADE AMERICA GREAT -- STILL LIVES.

IT'S ALWAYS ENJOYABLE TO COME TO SALT LAKE CITY. THIS IS A PART OF THE COUNTRY WITH A LOT OF CHARACTER AND A DISTINCTIVE FLAVOR. UTAHNS HAVE PLAYED A SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN THE BUILDING OF AMERICA.

AND I'M PROUD THAT MANY OF THEM WERE REPUBLICANS -FROM BRIGHAM YOUNG, WHO FOUNDED THIS CITY AND SO
MANY OTHERS IN THE MOUNTAIN WEST; REED SMOOT, A
STALWART OF INTEGRITY IN THE SENATE; ARTHUR
WATKINS; AND, OF COURSE, SENATOR WALLACE BENNETT AND
HIS WIFE. SENATOR BENNETT IN HIS 24 YEARS IN THE
U.S. SENATE MADE A MAGNIFICENT CONTRIBUTION. LIKE
THE PEOPLE HE DESCENDED FROM, HE REPRESENTED
STRENGTH, STABILITY, GOOD JUDGMENT, AND INTEGRITY
IN THE SENATE. WHEN HE LEFT THE SENATE, HE WAS ONE
OF THE MOST INFLUENTIAL AND MOST RESPECTED SENATORS
OF HIS TIME.

AND UTAHNS HAVE SEEN FIT TO SEND THREE OUTSTANDING REPUBLICANS TO THE 95TH CONGRESS. THEIR
GREAT ABILITIES AND INTEREST IN SEEING THE BEST
FOR AMERICA AND FOR UTAH HAVE PROVED TO BE A SOURCE
OF SIGNIFICANT HELP FOR THOSE OF US IN CONGRESS WHO
STAND FOR THE SAME PRINCIPLES THEY STAND FOR. WE
NEED MORE MEN LIKE JAKE GARN AND SENATOR ORRIN
HATCH AND DAN MARRIOTT IF WE ARE TO EXERT THE
LEADERSHIP, SUSTAIN THE VALUES, AND FIGHT THE
BATTLES THAT NEED TO BE WON.

IF ANY FRESHMAN CONGRESSMAN WAS AS EFFECTIVE
DURING HIS FIRST TERM AS DAN MARRIOTT HAS BEEN,
IT WOULD BE A LOT EASIER FOR THE REST OF US IN
CONGRESS. DAN ENTERED INTO THE BUSINESS OF
LEGISLATION IN A SIGNIFICANT WAY FROM THE VERY
BEGINNING. HIS WORK ON THE COAL SLURRY PIPELINE
TO PROTECT THE WATER INTERESTS OF THE STATES THAT
WOULD HAVE BEEN AFFECTED IS MOST SIFNIFICANT.
THE MARRIOTT AMENDMENT MADE THE COAL SLURRY PIPELINE
POSSIBLE, AND WITHOUT IT FEW WOULD HAVE SUPPORTED IT.

THAT'S THE KIND OF LEADERSHIP THE PEOPLE
OF UTAH EXPECT FROM WASHINGTON. IT'S VITALLY
IMPORTANT THAT DAN BE RE-ELECTED THIS NOVEMBER.

REMARKS BY SENATOR BOB DOLE

CONGRESSMAN DAN MARRIOTT

FOR CONGRESS DINNER

SALT LAKE CITY UTAH

APRIL 15, 1978

SEVENTHEEN MONTHS AGO, WE REPUBLICANS LOST A NATIONAL ELECTION, AND JUST FIFTEEN MONTHS AGO WE TURNED OVER THE GOVERNMENT OF OUR NATION TO THE NEWCOMERS IN WASHINGTON.

THAT TRANSITION BROUGHT WITH IT A BREATH OF HOPE FOR MANY AMERICANS, A TRANSITORY MOOD OF OPTIMISM WHICH MUCH OF THE COUNTRY SEEMS TO FEEL AT THE BEGINNING OF ANY NEW ADMINISTRATION.

TODAY, JUST FIFTEEN MONTHS LATER, THE POLITICAL LANDSCAPE OF AMERICA IS STREWN WITH THE WRECKAGE OF THOSE HOPES.

THE PRESIDENT'S PUBLIC APPROVAL RATINGS, LIKE SO MANY OF HIS POSITIONS ON THE ISSUES, HAVE BEEN TURNED AROUND.

NEARLY 60% OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE DO NOT THINK HE IS DOING A GOOD JOB.

I SUPPOSE MANY OF US HERE TONIGHT ARE TEMPTED TO LOOK

BACK AND SAY " I TOLD YOU SO." AS PARTISANS, I SUPPOSE WE

OUGHT TO BE PLEASED BY THE DRAMATIC REVERSAL IN THE PRESI
DENT'S POLITICAL FORTUNES. WE SHOULD BE THANKFUL FOR

THE OPPORTUNITIES HE HAS GIVEN US TO REAP ELECTORAL BENEFITS

IN THIS YEAR'S ELECTIONS AND IN 1980.

# MORE IMPORTANT CHANGE

BUT THE RAPID REVERSAL IN THE PUBLIC'S PERCEPTION OF THE PRESIDENT IS NOT THE ONLY CHANGE OF THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS.

SO RADICAL HAS BEEN THE CHANGE IN OUR COUNTRY'S FORTUNES
THAT IT IS HARD TO RISE TONIGHT WITH ANY SENSE OF POLITICAL
SATISFACTION OR JUBILATION.

PARTISAN ALLY, WITH A GROWING SENSE OF SADNESS AND DISMAY
AT WHAT IS HAPPENING IN WASHINGTON, HAPPENING TO OUR COUNTRY,
HAPPENING TO OUR NATION IN THE EYES OF THE WORLD.

WHEN PRESIDENT FORD LEFT THE WHITE HOUSE IN JANUARY OF LAST YEAR, HE LEFT WITH THE APPLAUSE OF AMERICA AND THE WORLD. HE HAD RESTORED OUR SPIRIT, OUR CONFIDENCE, OUR ALLIANCES, AND OUR ECONOMY. HE LEFT US AT PEACE, MILITARILY STRONG, AND POLITICALLY HEALED.

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#### DISILLUSIONMENT

TODAY, THE AMERICAN PEOPLE -- WHO HELD OUT SUCH HIGH HOPES -ARE DISILLUSIONED WITH THEIR PRESIDENT. WORLD LEADERS ARE
DISMAYED, CONFUSED ABOUT THE LACK OF DIRECTION IN FOREIGN
POLICY. PEACE, ESPECIALLY IN THE VOLATILE MIDDLE EAST,
SEEMS MORE DISTANT. OUR MILITARY STRENGTH IS MORE
QUESTIONABLE. AND OUR ECONOMIC FUTURE UNCERTAIN.

WHAT COULD HAVE HAPPENED IN SO SHORT A TIME TO REVERSE OUR COUNTRY'S FORTUNES?

WHY HAS OUR PRESTIGE IN THE WORLD COMMUNITY TUNED SOUR?
WHY HAS OUR FOREIGN POLICY BEEN CONDUCTED IN SUCH A MANNER
THAT HARDLY AN ALLY HAS BEEN UNHURT BY US IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER?

PRESIDENT FORD REACHED THE ZENITH OF DETENTE AT VLADIVOSTOK.

AND WE HAVE REACHED ITS LOW POINT TODAY. IN A TENSE AND ARMED WORLD, WE HAVE GIVEN UP THE B-1 BOMBER. WE ARE CUTTING BACK ON OUR NAVY. AND THE NEUTRON BOMB HAS BEEN ELIMINATED AS AN EFFECTIVE BARGAINING CHIP IN OUR EFFORTS TO REDUCE NUCLEAR ARMAMENTS. EVEN MORE INCREDIBLY, THE ADMINISTRATION THAT WAS GOING TO STOP SELLING ARMS ABROAD HAS WOUND-UP DOING SO IN RECORD QUANTITIES, ESPECIALLY IN THE EXPLOSIVE MIDDLE EAST.

# DOMESTIC PROBLEMS

AT HOME WE STILL DON'T HAVE AN ENERGY PROGRAM, NOTHING TO IN-CREASE OUR PRODUCTION OF OIL AND GAS. AND APPARENTLY WE HAVE TURNED OUR BACKS ON THE BENEFITS AND REFINEMENTS OF NUCLEAR POWER. THE DROP IN THE VALUE OF THE DOLLAR AROUND THE WORLD
HIT US ALL IN THE COST OF LIVING. OUR GI'S CAN'T EVEN AFFORD
TO KEEP THEIR FAMILIES IN EUROPE. AND THE RATE OF INFLATION,
WHICH WAS HAMMERED DOWN BY PRESIDENT FORD, IS NOW ON A
SWING BACK UP OVER THE DOUBLE DIGIT LEVEL. FINALLY, IN THIS
UNHAPPY LITANY, THE ADMINISTRATION HAS VISITED UPON US SUCH
A SOCIAL SECURITY INCREASE THAT THE PEOPLE OF OUR COUNTRY
ARE DEMANDING THE INCREASE BE RESCINDED.

NOME OF THIS, I ASSURE YOU, IS RECITED WITH ANY PLEASURE.

NOME IN THIS AUDIENCE WANT PRESIDENT CARTER'S POPULARITY TO BE
LOW SOLELY BECAUSE THE FORTUNES OF OUR NATION ARE LOW.

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#### REPUBLICAN INITIATIVES

AS THE LOYAL OPPOSITION, WE HAVE A MORAL OBLIGATION TO THE COUNTRY TO CALL ON THE ADMINISTRATION TO ACCOUNT WHENEVER PRINCIPLE OR PROMISE ARE COMPROMISED. THE FAILURES OF THE PARTY IN POWER MAKE IT ABUNDANTLY CLEAR THAT WE NEED CREATIVE, CONSTRUCTIVE, POSITIVE REPUBLICAN INITIATIVES TO INFLUENCE THE COURSE OF OUR COUNTRY.

AS STRONG AS OUR OBLIGATION IS TO CALL THE ADMINISTRATION TO ACCOUNT, WE HAVE AN EVEN STRONGER OBLIGATION TO BE POSITIVE IN OUR PROPOSALS FOR SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS THAT FACE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

THE FOUR HORSEMEN THAT CONCERN THE AMERICAN PEOPLE TODAY ARE THE PROBLEMS OF INFLATION, TAXATION, UNEMPLOYMENT, AND EXCESSIVE GOVERNMENT REGULATION.

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#### INFLATION

IT WOULD BE IRRESPONSIBLE FOR REPUBLICANS TO CLAIM THAT WE HAD SOME KIND OF AN 'EXCLUSIVE' WAY TO DEAL WITH INFLATION.
BUT WE KNOW -- FROM SUCCESSFUL EFFORTS TO BEAT IT DOWN -- WHAT IT TAKES TO DO SO, AND WHAT IS NOT BEING DONE TODAY BY PRESIDENT CARTER.

PRESIDENT FORD BEAT DOUBLE-DIGIT INFLATION INTO SINGLE-DIGIT
INFLATION BY APPLYING AN OLD FASHIONED AMERICAN VIRTUE CALLED
DISCIPLINE. HE MINIMIZED GOVERNMENT INTERFERENCE IN THE ECONOMY,
GOVERNMENT REGULATION OF PRICING AND COMPETITION. AND ABOVE
ALL, HE DISCIPLINED HIMSELF AND HIS ADMINISTRATION AGAINST
ALL THE SPECIAL FORCES WHICH DRIVE UP THE COST OF GOVERNMENT,
DRIVE UP THE AMOUNT OF MONEY IN CIRCULATION, DRIVE UP OUR
NATIONAL DEBT AND THE INTEREST WHICH GOES WITH IT -- AND THEREBY
DRIVE UP THE COST OF EVERYTHING WE BUY.

THE PEOPLE OF UTAH APPRECIATED THAT DICIPLINE. BUT BY HAVING THE COURAGE TO SAY NO, JERRY FORD ANGERED A LOT OF SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS. AND THAT MAY HAVE COST HIM THE ELECTION. BUT HE SUCCEEDED IN DRIVING DOWN INFLATION FROM OVER 10% TO LESS THAN 6%. AND HE GAVE US THE FORMULA TO DO IT AGAIN.

BY CONTRAST WHAT DO WE HAVE TODAY?

DESPITE ITS PACKAGE OF PROPOSAL TO "REFORM" EVERYTHING IN SIGHT -- THE BUREAUCRACY, WELFARE, TAXATION, CIVIL SERVICE, SOCIAL SECURITY, AND URBAN AFFAIRS, PRESIDENT CARTER SEEMS WILLING TO TAKE ONLY A FEW TENTATIVE AND SYMBOLIC STEPS TO REDUCE INFLATION. IN FACT, SOME ECONOMISTS CLAIM THAT THE ADMINISTRATION'S POLICIES ON WAGES, PRICES, AND IMPORTS HAVE ACTUALLY INCREASED INFLATION BY AT LEAST ONE PERCENT THIS YEAR.

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## LACK OF DISCIPLINE

THE ADMINISTRATION'S HANDLING OF INFLATIONARY PRESSURES HAS
NOT BEEN EVEN-HANDED. OUR FARMERS HAVE BEEN FORCED TO BEAR
AN INORDINATE SHARE OF THE INFLATIONARY BURDEN. AND THE
SAME ADMINISTRATION WHICH PRESSURED THE COAL COMPANIES INTO
A STRIKE SETTLEMENT THAT WILL INCREASE WAGES BY NEARLY 40%
OVER THREE YEARS CRIED FOUL WHEN THE STEEL COMPANIES ANNOUNCED
PRICE INCREASES TO COMPENSATE FOR IT.

IF THIS LINE OF DISCIPLINE CONTINUES, WE WILL FACE NOT ONLY HIGHER PRICES, BUT A CRUNCH ON CREDIT AND A SEVERE ECONOMIC SLOW-DOWN. AND IF IT TAKES REPUBLICANS TO EXERCISE FISCAL DISCIPLINE, THEN LET'S HAVE MORE REPUBLICANS, MEN LIKE DAN MARRIOTT.

WE MUST NOT LET THIS ADMINISTRATION LEAD US TO BUSHEL BASKET MONEY! WE MUST NOT LET THEM DO TO US WHAT GOVERNMENT-CREATED INFLATION DID TO ENGLAND IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS DECADE.

## THE TAX BURDEN

WHEN I WAS A KID AT THIS TIME OF THE SPRING, PEOPLE HAD THEIR MINDS ON BASEBALL. THIS YEAR THEY HAVE THEIR MINDS ON MONDAY, THE DAY WHEN YOU HAVE TO PAY FOR LAST YEAR. BUT AS FAR AS THIS YEAR IS CONCERNED. WE'RE ALL STILL WORKING TO PAY OUR TAXES, AND WE WILL BE THROUGH MAY FIFTEENTH. BECAUSE MAY FIFTEENTH IS THE DAY WHEN THE AVERAGE AMERICAN STOPS WORKING FOR FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT, WHEN HE HAS FINALLY EARNED ENOUGH MONEY TO PAY ALL THE FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL GASOLINE, SALES, INCOME, AND PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE YEAR.

WE'RE IN A KIND OF QUICKSAND. LIKE THE MAN CLIMBING THE LADDER WHO FINDS IT SINKING DEEPER WITH EACH RUNG HE CLIMBS.

AND THIS SAME ILLUSION CUTS IN ANOTHER WAY. TOO OFTEN TODAY'S TAXPAYERS FIND THAT EVERYTIME THEY RECEIVE A PAY INCREASE IT TURNS OUT TO BE AN ILLUSION, BECAUSE IT PUSHES THEM INTO A HIGHER TAX BRACKET AND CONFRONTS THEM WITH HIGHER TAXES. EITHER THEY WIND UP LOSING MONEY, OR WHAT LITTLE IS LEFT OF THEIR RAISE IS EATEN UP BY INFLATION.

IT'S LIKE THE RED QUEEN SAID TO ALICE IN WONDERLAND:
"HERE IT TAKES ALL THE RUNNING YOU CAN DO TO KEEP IN THE SAME
PLACE. IF YOU WANT TO GO SOMEWHERE ELSE, YOU MUST RUN
TWICE AS FAST AS THAT".

TO TAKE IT OUT OF THE REALM OF FANTASY, LET ME GIVE YOU A
BRIEF EXAMPLE. IF A \$14,000 A YEAR WAGE EARNER TODAY RECEIVED
A TEN PERCENT INCREASE EACH YEAR THROUGH 1980 -- AND IF
YOU FIGURE HE GETS THE TAX CUTS PRESIDENT CARTER HAS PROPOSED,
WHICH IS DOUBTFUL - AND IF YOU CALCULATE INFLATION AT ONLY
SIX PERCENT A YEAR - YOU FIND THAT IN 1980 HIS 10 PERCENT
PAY RAISE HAS BEEN WHITTLED AWAY TO JUST 3 PERCENT.

OR TO PUT IT ANOTHER WAY, A TAXPAYER WHO EARNED \$15,000 LAST YEAR WOULD HAVE TO EARN \$15,900 JUST TO BREAK EVEN THIS YEAR, EVEN IF INFLATION WERE ONLY SIX PERCENT -- AND IT'S ALREADY ABOVE THAT.

BUT IF HE EARNED \$15,900 IN 1978 HIS TAX LIABILITY WILL BE INCREASED SO MUCH THAT IN FACT HE WILL SUFFER A LOSS.

SOME ECONOMISTS ARE CALLING THIS "TAX-FLATION", AND I THINK IT'S TIME TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.

#### INFLATION NEUTRALIZERS

SEVERAL PIECES OF LEGISLATION HAVE BEEN INTRODUCED -SOME CALLED "INFLATION NEUTRALIZERS", SOME CALLED "TAX
INDEXATION" -- WHICH WOULD AUTOMATICALLY ADJUST PERSONAL INCOME
TAX RATES ACCORDING TO INCREASES OR DECREASES IN THE COST
OF LIVING.

WITH THESE ADJUSTMENTS, WHEN A TAXPAYER IS PUSHED INTO A HIGHER BRACKET BY A WAGE INCREASE, HIS RAISE WOULD NOT BE EATEN UP BY HIGHER TAXES AND INFLATION.

THIS ISN'T A NEW IDEA. INDEXING ALREADY IS IN EFFECT IN AT LEAST FIVE MAJOR COUNTRIES AROUND THE WORLD.

BUT THIS YEAR A NEW BILL HAS BEEN INTRODUCED WHICH WOULD ALSO INDEX THE CORPORATION SURTAX EXEMPTION AND SOME OTHER TAXES AFFECTING BOTH BUSINESS AND INDIVIDUALS. I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO IT, BUT HEARINGS ARE SCHEDULED LATER THIS MONTH -- AND THAT'S A SIGN OF PROGRESS.

## TAX INDEXING -- A MEANS OF KEEPING UP

INDEXING IS NOT THE FINAL ANSWER TO THE AMERICAN TAX PROBLEM -- BUT IT IS A MEANS OF KEEPING UP WITH THE HIGH COST OF LIVING,

AND AT THE SAME TIME KNOWING THAT YOUR RAISE WILL NOT BE TAKEN BACK BY THE GOVERNMENT IN TAXES.

NOT LONG AGO THE WALL STREET JOURNAL RAN AN EDITORIAL CALLED "THE GOP ON THE MOVE".

OUT THAT THE CARTER ENERGY PACKAGE WAS AN ENORMOUS TAX INCREASE.

IT GAVE REPUBLICANS CREDIT FOR FIGHTING AGAINST THE TAXATION

OF FRINGE BENEFITS . . . FOR THEIR OPPOSITION TO THE SOCIAL

SECURITY TAX INCREASES THAT WOULD HIT THE MIDDLE CLASS

HARD . . . AND FOR PUSHING THE INFLATION ADJUSTMENTS IN TAX

RATES THAT I'VE JUST DISCUSSED.

BUT ALL OF THESE EFFORTS, POSITIVE AS THEY ARE, FACE THE LIKELIHOOD OF GOING NOWHERE BECAUSE OF THE TWO-TO-ONE MAJORITY ON BOTH SIDES OF CAPITOL HILL.

AS THE JOURNAL SAID, THE LOYAL OPPOSITION "CAN BLOCK PROGRAMS IF IT STICKS TOGETHER, BUT CANNOT ADVANCE ITS OWN PROGRAMS BE-YOND THE RHETORICAL STAGE."

# NEED FOR RESPONSIBLE BALANCE

AND SO WE STAND AT A POINT IN THE POLITICAL HISTORY OF OUR COUNTRY WHEN THE NEED FOR RESPONSIBLE BALANCE IN WASHINGTON IS GREATER THAN EVER BEFORE.

THE PROBLEMS WE FACE TODAY ARE NOT PROBLEMS FOR A ONE-PARTY CONGRESS OR A ONE-PARTY GOVERNMENT. THE PEOPLE OF THE SECOND DISTRICT CAN HELP RESTORE BALANCE IN THE CONGRESS BY SENDING DAN MARRIOTT BACK FOR ANOTHER TERM. AND I THINK THEY WILL. BECAUSE THE PEOPLE OF UTAH KNOW THAT THE PREVAILING MAJORITY IN WASHINGTON IS TILTED AWAY FROM THE VALUES UTAH CHERISHES.

THEY KNOW THAT THE NATION'S PROBLEMS ARE NOT GOING TO BE SOLVED BY PUBLIC RELATIONS OVER PRINCIPLES.

OUR PROBLEMS CALL FOR STATESMENSHIP INSTEAD OF SHOWMANSHIP.

IN A REAL SENSE WHAT'S AT STAKE THIS YEAR IS NOT JUST CONGRESS-IONAL AND SENATORIAL SEATS. -19-

IT'S THE DIRECTION OF OUR NATION;

OUR NATIONAL COMMITMENT TO FREE ENTERPRISE;

IT'S FISCAL SANITY AND LIMITED GOVERNMENT;

IT'S THE FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPT OF CHECKS AND BALANCES;

IT'S OUR TWO-PARTY SYSTEM,

THE QUESTION WE FACE IS WHETHER OUR PARTY WILL WIN ENOUGH TO PROVIDE A RESPONSIBLE OPPOSITION.

I BELIEVE WE CAN, THANKS TO PEOPLE SUCH AS YOU. YOU HAVE IN-VESTED IN AMERICA'S FUTURE -- AND I AM PROUD TO BE HERE AND TO SAY THANK YOU, VERY MUCH.

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