

REMARKS OF SENATOR BOB DOLE
STATE REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE DINNER
CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 1979

~~YOU AND I, ALL OF US HERE TONIGHT, HAVE SEVERAL THINGS IN~~
~~COMMON. WE ALL SHARE A CONVICTION THAT AMERICA NEEDS A NEW~~
~~ADMINISTRATION. WE ARE ALL CONVINCED THAT A REPUBLICAN~~
~~PRESIDENT CAN BETTER GUIDE US TO THE GOALS OF FISCAL SANITY,~~
~~A FOREIGN POLICY BASED UPON STRENGTH AND CONVICTION, AND THE~~
~~PROTECTION OF INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS AND THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF~~
~~INDIVIDUAL INITIATIVE.~~

ALL OF US HAVE IN COMMON THE SHARED BELIEF THAT WHAT IS WRONG
WITH AMERICA TONIGHT IS NOT HER PEOPLE. THEY HAVE NOT FAILED.
THEY REMAIN THE MOST CREATIVE, THE MOST GENEROUS, THE MOST
TECHNOLOGICALLY AND SOCIALLY ADVANCED IN THE WORLD.

on the program
~~of us~~
~~tonight~~
I want to tell America... we want
to restore confidence in America
fully we want your support for what I hope
in N.H. could well determine
~~what determines~~ our future

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over
THE AMERICAN PEOPLE HAVE NOT FAILED, BUT THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT HAS. OUR PRESIDENT, WHOM WE ALL WISH WELL, HAS FAILED TO PROVIDE THE KIND OF LEADERSHIP WHICH CAN MAKE THE MOST OF OUR POTENTIAL. AMERICANS HAVE BEEN GIVEN EXCUSES WHERE LEADERSHIP WAS CALLED FOR, THEY HAVE BEEN CALLED TO SACRIFICE BY THOSE WHO MAKE NO SACRIFICES THEMSELVES, THEY HAVE BEEN TOLD TO LOWER THEIR EXPECTATIONS IN A NATION BUILT UPON HIGH EXPECTATIONS.

AMERICANS ARE A PRODUCTIVE PEOPLE. WE CAN PRODUCE OUR WAY OUT OF THE ENERGY CRISIS, IF ONLY GOVERNMENT WILL ENCOURAGE INVESTMENT AND INITIATIVE. WE CAN REVERSE THE SPIRALING COSTS OF HEALTH CARE; IF ONLY GOVERNMENT WILL WORK CLOSELY WITH THE ~~PRODUCTIVE SECTOR~~ *we can* TO INSURE THAT NO ONE NEED FEAR THE ECONOMIC DEVASTATION THAT CAN COME WITH CATASTROPHIC ILLNESS. *y*

only government _____

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WE CAN PROTECT OUR LEGITIMATE INTERESTS ABROAD, IF ONLY ~~THE~~ ^{our} ~~AMERICAN~~ GOVERNMENT WILL STOP REGARDING AMERICA AS SOME SORT OF INTERNATIONAL TROUBLEMAKER. WE AREN'T A TROUBLEMAKER; WE ARE FREEDOM'S ULTIMATE PROTECTOR, AND ONCE WE FORSAKE THAT IDENTITY, EVEN TEMPORARILY, WE CUT OURSELVES ADRIFT FROM THE IDEALS WHICH ARE THEMSELVES OUR BEST WEAPONS IN THE CONTEST OF OPPOSING IDEOLOGIES.

THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WANT THEIR PRESIDENT TO SUCCEED. THEY WANT TO BELIEVE IN JIMMY CARTER AS A GOOD AND DECENT MAN GRAPPLING WITH PROBLEMS OF ALMOST OVERWHELMING COMPLEXITY. THEY WANT TO GIVE HIM THE BENEFIT OF THE DOUBT.

See you

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But

~~SO~~ TO WIN IN 1980, WE WILL HAVE TO EARN OUR VICTORY. WE WILL
HAVE TO STEP OUT OF THE BANQUET HALL AND ADDRESS THE DAY TO DAY
NEEDS OF PEOPLE WHO ~~CAN'T~~ *can't not* AFFORD TO BE HERE TONIGHT. WE'LL
~~HAVE TO~~ *must* SHOW THE MILLWORKER IN MANCHESTER, AND THE HOUSEWIFE
IN HOPKINTON ~~WHY~~ *the* A REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATION ~~CAN~~ *Wanted* CUT INFLATION,
MEET THE ENERGY CRUNCH ~~HEAD ON~~, AND PROTECT THE FAMILIES OF
NEW HAMPSHIRE FROM THE POTENTIALLY DEADLY EFFECTS OF ~~FALLING~~

~~THE~~ IN 1979.

*of buying them a new car
in order our struggle in the world*

EVERYONE'S ~~TALKING~~ *u* ABOUT HEALTH INSURANCE. IT'S NOT ENOUGH
TO ATTACK ~~KENNEDY'S~~ CRADLE-TO-GRAVE APPROACH AS IMPOSSIBLY
EXPENSIVE. WE ~~HAVE~~ *must* TO COME UP WITH SOMETHING BETTER. THAT'S
WHY I ~~VE~~ *recently* INTRODUCED A ~~CATASTROPHIC~~ *disaster* HEALTH PACKAGE WITH A REAL
CHANCE OF PASSING THE ~~CONGRESS~~ *Democrat*.

EVERYONE WANTS TO CUT INFLATION AND ~~HOLD~~ *Balance* THE FEDERAL BUDGET
IN ~~CHECK~~. I CAME WITHIN A SINGLE VOTE OF DOING JUST THAT ~~ON~~ *in*
~~THE FLOOR OF THE SENATE~~ TEN DAYS AGO. ~~AND~~ *just* I'M GOING TO KEEP
ON TRYING.

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EVERYONE WANTS TO SOLVE THE ENERGY CRISIS. BUT, REGULATION, ~~TAXATION AND CONSERVATION~~ ARE NOT GOING TO DO IT. PRODUCTION ~~CAN - PRODUCTION~~ NOT ONLY OF OIL AND GAS, BUT OF ALTERNATIVE SOURCES: ~~OF GASOLIN BASED ON NEW ENGLAND'S FOREST PRODUCTS,~~ ~~OF HYDROELECTRIC POWER DERIVED FROM HER STREAMS AND WATERWAYS,~~ ~~OF WOOD BURNING STOVES.~~

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~~WE'VE GOT TO SHOW PEOPLE THAT WE'RE THE PARTY OF COMPASSION~~ *we want*
~~WELL AS COMPETENCE. WE DON'T WANT BIG OIL COMPANIES TO "RIP~~
~~OFF THE CONSUMER, AND WE CAN'T AFFORD TO REJECT OUT OF HAND~~
~~ANY WINDFALL PROFITS TAX. THE PEOPLE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE WOULDN'T~~
~~PERMIT IT.~~ *we* ~~WE KNOW HOW HARD IT IS FOR A NEW HAMPSHIRE FAMILY~~
~~TO SURVIVE THE COSTS OF CATASTROPHIC ILLNESS. WE KNOW HOW~~
~~DEMEANING IT IS TO THE ELDERLY WHO LIVE ON A FIXED INCOME TO~~
~~STRUGGLE TO BUY GROCERIES AND KEEP A HOME. WE KNOW HOW~~
~~THREATENING IT IS TO A WORKER CONFRONTED WITH A FLOOD OF IMPORTED~~
~~PRODUCTS, WHETHER THEY BE TELEVISIONS OR TEXTILES.~~

When we think of a provision for a tax on the production of goods and services, we are talking about a tax on the production of goods and services.

James Glavin

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~~WE~~ KNOW WHAT A NEGATIVE ADMINISTRATION CAN DO TO DEPRESS THE
ECONOMY OF NEW ENGLAND. AND ~~WE~~ KNOW THAT POSITIVE LEADERSHIP
IS THE FIRST STEP TOWARD PRODUCING SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS
CONFRONTING INDIVIDUALS AS WELL AS NATIONS.

THREE YEARS AGO, THE AMERICAN PEOPLE SAW IN THE WHITE HOUSE A
MAN AND A FAMILY WHO MADE THEM FEEL GOOD ABOUT THEMSELVES.
THEY SAW A PRESIDENT WHOSE SELF-CONFIDENCE WAS REFLECTED IN
POLICIES WHICH PROMOTED PRODUCTION. JERRY FORD TOLD US IN 1976
THAT OUR MILITARY FORCES NEEDED STRENGTHENING, THAT OUR DOMESTIC
ECONOMY NEEDED LESS REGULATION AND MORE STIMULATION, THAT OUR
ENERGY NEEDS WOULD NEVER BE MET BY GOVERNMENT, BECAUSE GOVERNMENT
COULD NOT PRODUCE WHAT THE PRIVATE SECTOR COULD.

WE FELT GOOD THEN; WE FEEL UNCERTAIN AND CONFUSED NOW. WE HAD
AN INFLATION RATE OF LESS THAN 5 PERCENT THEN; WE HAVE ONE OF
ALMOST 15 PERCENT NOW. WE HAD A CLEAR SENSE OF WHO WE WERE AND
WHAT WE WERE AFTER IN THE WORLD THEN; DO WE HAVE SUCH A SENSE
TODAY?

I'M NOT CALLING FOR A NOSTALGIC RETURN TO THE PAST; THE CLOCK WON'T GO BACK. BUT THERE'S A LESSON IN THE RECENT PAST THAT WE IGNORE AT OUR PERIL.

AMERICA'S RESOURCES ARE MATCHED ONLY BY THE GENIUS OF HER PEOPLE, AND HER UNIQUE TALENT FOR INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS. BUT RESOURCES AND POTENTIAL WILL REMAIN UNREALIZED UNTIL AMERICA HAS LEADERSHIP TO MATCH. THAT LEADERSHIP MUST BE POSITIVE. IT MUST BE THOUGHTFUL. IT MUST INVITE THE CONFIDENCE OF THIS AND OTHER NATIONS.

IT MUST ACCEPT THE CHALLENGES WE FACE, CONFIDENT THAT THEY CAN BE OVERCOME. IT MUST HAVE A SENSE OF DIRECTION, AND THE COURAGE TO FOLLOW THROUGH. IT MUST BELIEVE IN ITSELF, AND IN THE MISSION OF AMERICA AS A GREAT NATION.

WE CAN PROVIDE SUCH LEADERSHIP. WE CAN MAKE PEOPLE FEEL GOOD ABOUT THEMSELVES AND THEIR GOVERNMENT. THAT'S OUR GOAL FOR 1980: TO DESERVE TO WIN, RATHER THAN MERELY TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE OPPOSITION'S FAILURES. MEET THAT GOAL, AND WE WILL MERIT THE THANKS OF HISTORY ITSELF. FAIL TO MEET IT, AND WE WILL LOSE FAR MORE THAN THE WHITE HOUSE.

THE CHOICE IS ~~Y~~OURS. REMEMBER THOSE WHO AREN'T WITH US TONIGHT. REMEMBER THEIR NEEDS, THEIR FEARS AND OUR MUTUAL AMBITIONS. KEEP THEM IN YOUR MINDS, AND I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT NEXT YEAR WILL BE A REPUBLICAN ONE.

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THE MILL-WORKER IN MANCHESTER, THE HOUSEWIFE IN HOPKINTON, AND THE NEW HAMPSHIRE FARMER MUST BE CONVINCED THAT A REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATION IN WASHINGTON HAS MORE TO OFFER THAN LOFTY RHETORIC AND PREDICTABLE CRITICISM.

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