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**The  
88TH ANNUAL MEETING  
of the  
Kansas City Kansas Area  
Chamber of Commerce**

***Working Together = A Progressive Community***



**JANUARY 24, 1992**  
**Reardon Civic Center**

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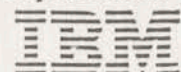
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## **PROGRAM**

**Welcome  
and  
Introduction of Head Table**  
Mike Shanin

**Invocation**  
Reverend Dr. Merrillyn Slack  
*Bethel Presbyterian Church*

### **Lunch Served**

**Awards and Recognitions**  
Jack Letts  
John J. Jurcyk, Jr.  
Cindy Brock

**Introduction of Speaker**  
Dick Bond  
*Kansas State Senator*

**Guest Speaker**  
Bob Dole  
*United States Senator*

**Acknowledgements**  
Mike Shanin

**Entertainment**  
The Sumner Academy Chamber Strings



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**IT'S GREAT TO BE BACK IN  
KANSAS...JUST WHAT THE  
DOCTOR ORDERED.**

**I'M ESPECIALLY PLEASED TO  
SEE SOME OF THE GOOD  
PEOPLE, AND GOOD FRIENDS  
I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH FOR  
YEARS TO HELP OUT THE  
GREATER KANSAS CITY AREA --  
MAYOR STEINEGER, ... BONNER  
SPRINGS MAYOR TED STOLFUS,**



... MAYOR DAN HARBOUR OF  
EDWARDSVILLE, AND OF  
COURSE, ALL OF MY FRIENDS  
HERE AT THE CHAMBER.

I SHARE THEIR DEDICATION  
TO KANSAS CITY. I ALSO SHARE  
THEIR BELIEF THAT KANSAS  
CITY IS A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE  
AND WORK. I'LL CONTINUE TO  
DO ALL I CAN TO ATTRACT  
MORE BUSINESS, MORE





**FEDERAL ATTENTION, AND MORE  
JOBS TO THIS AREA.**



**SPEAKING OF "JOBS,"  
CONGRESS CERTAINLY HAS A  
JOB TO DO THIS YEAR. YES, IT IS  
ANOTHER YEAR, AND ANOTHER  
SESSION, WITH ANOTHER 'STATE  
OF THE UNION' JUST AROUND  
THE CORNER. BUT BEFORE  
ANYONE STARTS BELIEVING**





THAT ALL THESE FACTS ADD UP  
TO "BUSINESS AS USUAL", LET  
ME TELL YOU HOW DEAD  
WRONG THAT ASSUMPTION  
WOULD BE.

THERE ARE JUST TOO MANY  
ISSUES -- TOO MANY  
PROBLEMS -- DEMANDING OUR  
ATTENTION FOR US TO BEGIN  
THIS SESSION OF CONGRESS  
WITH A "BUSINESS-AS-USUAL"



**ATTITUDE.**

**WHETHER IT IS THE  
ECONOMY, HEALTH CARE,  
DRUGS AND CRIME, TAX RELIEF,  
AGRICULTURE, OR WHATEVER,  
THIS CONGRESS HAS ONE  
SIMPLE ASSIGNMENT: DO  
SOMETHING, AND DO IT QUICKLY  
FOR A CHANGE.**

**LET'S FACE IT, THE AMERICAN  
PEOPLE WILL NOT STAND FOR**



"BUSINESS-AS-USUAL. THEY ARE  
FED UP, FRUSTRATED AND  
FRANKLY DISILLUSIONED WITH  
WHAT WE ARE DOING, OR NOT  
DOING IN WASHINGTON.



THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WILL  
SIMPLY NOT ACCEPT THE SAME  
OLD "PARTISAN POSTURING",  
POLITICAL GAMES, AND  
"CONGRESSIONAL GRIDLOCK"





THAT THEY HAVE BEEN GIVEN  
FOR TOO LONG NOW.

YOU CAN'T GO ANYWHERE  
THESE DAYS WITHOUT HEARING  
THE PEOPLE, AND HEARING  
THEM LOUDLY AND CLEARLY --  
"DO SOMETHING, AND DO IT  
QUICKLY FOR A CHANGE," THEY  
ARE TELLING US.

AND AFTER VISITING EVERY



ONE OF OUR STATE'S 105  
COUNTIES LAST YEAR, I CAN  
TELL YOU THAT REVIVING THE  
ECONOMY, AND PROVIDING  
QUALITY AND AFFORDABLE  
HEALTH CARE ARE AT THE TOP  
OF THE "PEOPLE'S AGENDA."



I HAVE BEEN SAYING FOR  
YEARS THAT THE FEDERAL  
DEFICIT IS "PUBLIC ENEMY



NUMBER ONE" -- IT'S BEEN A  
CRUSHING FORCE ON OUR  
ECONOMY, SADDLING AMERICAN  
TAXPAYERS WITH AN ANNUAL  
\$300 BILLION INTEREST  
PAYMENT JUST TO CARRY OUR  
NATIONAL DEBT.

WELL, IF THERE IS ONE  
SOLUTION TO THE "DEFICIT  
CRISIS" AMERICA DOESN'T NEED,  
IT'S TO SPEND OUR WAY OUT OF





IT WITH YET ANOTHER  
AVALANCHE OF TAXPAYERS'  
DOLLARS, AS SOME ARE  
SUGGESTING -- ANY MORE "FREE-  
FOR-ALL" SPENDING FROM  
CONGRESS WILL REALLY PUT US  
ON THE MAT, MAYBE FOR GOOD.

THERE ARE, HOWEVER, SOME  
RESPONSIBLE APPROACHES  
BEING CONSIDERED ON CAPITOL  
HILL AND IN THE WHITE HOUSE,



**APPROACHES THAT ARE  
TARGETED, TEMPORARY AND  
WON'T BUST THE BUDGET.**



**WHILE CERTAINLY NOT A  
"CURE" ITSELF FOR THE  
RECESSION, MIDDLE CLASS TAX  
RELIEF IS SOMETHING JUST  
ABOUT EVERYBODY AGREES ON.  
WE CAN TARGET TAX BREAKS  
FOR FIRST-TIME HOME BUYERS -**



**- PENALTY-FREE IRA  
WITHDRAWALS, AND A  
TARGETED TAX CREDIT. IF  
ENACTED, WE FEEL THESE  
PROVISIONS COULD GO A LONG  
WAY TOWARDS IMPROVING THE  
FINANCIAL CONDITION OF OUR  
REAL ESTATE MARKET. WE CAN  
ALSO HELP BUSINESSES WITH  
"INVESTMENT TAX CREDITS", OR  
SOME COMPARABLE PROGRAM.**





THE TRUTH IS, "INVESTMENT TAX  
CREDITS HAVE A PROVEN TRACK  
RECORD AND COULD HELP  
"JUMPSTART" THE ECONOMY.

COMPANIES ARE ALWAYS  
COMPLAINING ABOUT THE  
"ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX,"  
AND I KNOW THAT THE  
ADMINISTRATION PLANS TO  
PROPOSE SOME RELIEF FROM  
THIS BURDEN ON BUSINESSES.



**THESE ARE INCENTIVES THAT  
SHOULD HELP CREATE NEW  
JOBS, AND THAT'S A WINNER IN  
EVERYBODY'S BOOK.**

**ENCOURAGING MORE  
SAVINGS IS ANOTHER  
IMPORTANT FACTOR IN A  
HEALTHY ECONOMY, AND I  
KNOW THE ADMINISTRATION IS  
TAKING A CLOSE LOOK AT  
INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT**



# ACCOUNTS TO BOOST THE "SAVINGS RATE."



ON THE HEALTH CARE FRONT,  
WE SIMPLY HAVE TO FIND A WAY  
TO PROVIDE QUALITY,  
AFFORDABLE CARE FOR  
AMERICA. UNFORTUNATELY,  
THERE ARE STILL TOO MANY  
FAMILIES WITH SICK CHILDREN  
WHO CAN'T AFFORD THE





INSURANCE THEY NEED. AND  
THERE ARE STILL TOO MANY  
FAMILIES WHO CAN'T TAKE  
CARE OF THEIR ELDERLY  
PARENTS' WHO ARE IN NEED OF  
LONGTERM CARE. THESE ARE  
THE PEOPLE WE HAVE TO HELP.

IN MY VIEW, THE NATION IS  
ALREADY SPENDING ENOUGH  
ON HEALTH CARE -- A  
WHOPPING \$660 BILLION A



YEAR. NOW IT'S TIME TO GET  
OUR "MONEYSWORTH," AND TO  
MAKE THE SYSTEM MORE FAIR.

WE CAN START BY "MEANS-  
TESTING" GOVERNMENT-  
PROVIDED MEDICAL SERVICES,  
SO THAT THOSE WHO CAN  
AFFORD TO PAY, WILL PAY THEIR  
FAIR SHARE, AND THOSE WHO  
CAN'T, WILL GET THE  
ASSISTANCE THEY NEED.



THE CHALLENGE IS TO MAKE  
HEALTH CARE MORE  
AFFORDABLE AND MORE  
ACCESSIBLE, NOT TO MENTION  
FINDING A WAY TO PAY FOR IT  
ALL. THERE HAS TO BE A  
BALANCE, TOO. THE SMALL  
BUSINESSES ON OUR MAIN  
STREETS OF KANSAS CAN'T BE  
MANDATED OUT OF EXISTENCE  
TO PAY FOR HEALTH CARE





**BENEFITS, NOR SHOULD THE  
TAXPAYERS HAVE TO PICK UP  
THE WHOLE TAB, EITHER.**

**AGAIN, "TAX INCENTIVES" COULD  
BE THE KEY, GIVING EMPLOYERS  
THE ENCOURAGEMENT THEY  
NEED TO PURCHASE  
AFFORDABLE INSURANCE FOR  
THEIR EMPLOYEES.**

**I HAVE BEEN AT THE  
FOREFRONT OF THE HEALTH**



CARE ISSUE FOR DECADES, AND  
I HAVE COME TO UNDERSTAND  
THAT THERE ARE NO EASY  
ANSWERS. COMPREHENSIVE  
HEALTH CARE REFORM  
LEGISLATION IS GETTING  
PLENTY OF ATTENTION ON  
CAPITOL HILL, AND I'LL  
CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE  
WHITE HOUSE AND OTHER  
CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS TO



**GET THE JOB DONE.**



**WHEN YOU ARE TALKING  
ABOUT THE DEFICIT AND  
HEALTH CARE, YOU ARE  
TALKING ABOUT TWO OF THE  
BIGGEST CHALLENGES EVER TO  
CONFRONT CONGRESS. SO IT'S  
TIME TO ACT; AND IT'S TIME TO  
LISTEN TO THE PEOPLE -- EVEN  
ON CAPITOL HILL, EVEN IN THE**





WHITE HOUSE, AND, YES, EVEN  
IN AN ELECTION YEAR.

OH, THE TEMPTATION WILL BE  
GREAT, WHAT WITH ELECTION  
DAY ONLY 284 DAYS AWAY. THE  
TEMPTATION WILL BE GREAT,  
INDEED, TO BLOCK ANYTHING  
THE PRESIDENT MIGHT WANT TO  
DO, OR PLAY GAMES WITH SOME  
DEMOCRAT OR REPUBLICAN  
INITIATIVE.



I KNOW A LOT OF ATTENTION  
IS BEING PAID TO POLLS AND  
"PRESIDENTIAL POPULARITY." NO  
DOUBT ABOUT IT, THE  
PRESIDENT IS THE BIGGEST  
"TARGET" IN WASHINGTON.

BUT THE PEOPLE KNOW,  
TOO, THAT CONGRESS IS ALSO  
ACCOUNTABLE, AND RIGHT NOW,  
MOST AMERICANS SEE  
CONGRESS AS PART OF THE



**PROBLEM -- AND THEY'LL BE  
TAKING NAMES.**

**IF I HAD TO TELL ANYBODY  
HOW OUR SYSTEM OF  
GOVERNMENT WORKS THESE  
DAYS, I'D HAVE TO SAY: THE  
PRESIDENT PROPOSES, AND THE  
CONGRESS, TOO OFTEN,  
OPPOSES. UNFORTUNATELY,  
THAT'S A "FORMULA FOR  
FAILURE."**





LET ME RE-EMPHASIZE ONE  
POINT AS LONG AS I AM  
TALKING ABOUT FAILURE: MORE  
'DEFICIT SPENDING' WOULD BE A  
DISASTER FOR AMERICA. THE  
FACT IS, THE FEDERAL  
GOVERNMENT CAN'T DO  
EVERYTHING FOR EVERYBODY.  
OUR 'TOUGH TIMES' DEMAND  
TOUGH CHOICES; A  
REARRANGING OF PRIORITIES;



AND THE KIND OF COOL,  
RESPONSIBLE LEADERSHIP  
AMERICA HAS ALWAYS LOOKED  
FOR IN TOUGH TIMES.

WE MUST RESIST THE CALLS  
FOR BIGGER TAXES, BIGGER  
SPENDING AND BIGGER  
GOVERNMENT: THAT'S NOT,  
REPEAT, NOT THE MESSAGE  
AMERICANS ARE SENDING ITS  
ELECTED OFFICIALS.



SO, IF THE AMERICAN  
PEOPLE ARE TO BELIEVE ALL  
THE RHETORIC, AND ALL THE  
SPEECHES THEY'VE BEEN  
HEARING ABOUT THE ECONOMY,  
AND HEALTH CARE, AND ALL THE  
OTHER CHALLENGES FACING US  
THIS YEAR, THEN WE IN  
CONGRESS, IN BOTH PARTIES,  
BETTER START DELIVERING ,  
INSTEAD OF JUST COMPLAINING,





**OR PROMISING.**



**IN CONCLUSION, I WOULD  
JUST LIKE TO SAY “THANK YOU”  
TO EVERY KANSAN WHO TOOK  
THE TIME TO WRITE OR CALL  
ME, TO WISH ME WELL DURING  
MY RECENT HOSPITALIZATION,  
AND THROUGHOUT MY  
CONTINUING RECOVERY.**

**I CAN NOT ADEQUATELY**



DESCRIBE WHAT THAT  
OUTPOURING MEANT TO ME AND  
ELIZABETH. I WILL NEVER  
FORGET IT. IT REMINDED ME  
AGAIN WHAT A "SPECIAL PLACE"  
KANSAS IS. THANK YOU.

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