

TO: Senator Dole
FR: Kerry

RE: Women's Leadership Network
Thursday, September 24
Willard Hotel

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*You will be speaking to a breakfast of about 80-100 women.

*The Women's Leadership Network was established earlier this year as a forum for business women to come together and discuss issues that affect the economy. It is a pro-business, pro-GOP group.

Marilyn Quayle is Honorary Chairman of the group, and Judy Black is president. Other members include Sandy Brock, Linda Chavez, Mimi Dawson, Deborah Steelman, and Sheila Bair.

*They would like you to speak for 10-15 minutes, and then take questions.

SENATOR BOB DOLE
TALKING POINTS
WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP
NETWORK
SEPTEMBER 24, 1992

***THANK YOU. I'M PLEASED
TO HAVE BEEN INVITED TODAY,
BECAUSE I CONSIDER MYSELF
SOMETHING OF AN EXPERT ON
WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP.**

***AFTER ALL, I GO TO WORK,
AND THERE'S SHEILA BURKE, MY
CHIEF OF STAFF. I GO ON THE
SENATE FLOOR, AND THERE'S
MY COLLEAGUE, NANCY
KASSEBAUM. AND I GO HOME,
AND THERE'S THE
PRESIDENT... OF THE RED
CROSS.**

***AND THIS YEAR, LIKE QUITE
A FEW OF MY COLLEAGUES, I AM
ALSO RUNNING AGAINST A
WOMAN.**

***AS WE ALL KNOW, THE
MEDIA HAS PROCLAIMED THIS
TO BE THE "YEAR OF THE
WOMAN."**

***MY QUESTION IS WHERE
WAS THE MEDIA IN 1990, WHEN**

A HALF-DOZEN REPUBLICAN
WOMEN--NANCY KASSEBAUM,
LYNN MARTIN, CLAUDINE
SCHNEIDER, AND PAT SAIKI TO
NAME A FEW--WERE RUNNING
FOR THE SENATE.

***AND WHEN SENATOR**
KASSEBAUM WAS RE-ELECTED,
BUT ALL FIVE WOMEN
CHALLENGERS WERE DEFEATED

**BY THEIR MALE OPPONENTS,
THERE WAS NO EDITORIAL
OUTCRY THAT THE OLD-BOY
NETWORK HAD PREVAILED
AGAIN.**

***THE FACT IS--AS SHEILA BAIR
CAN TELL YOU--THE KEY TO
BEING DECLARED A FORCE FOR
"CHANGE" BY THE MEDIA AND
SOME NATIONAL WOMEN'S**

GROUPS IS NOT YOUR GENDER,
RATHER IT'S A LIBERAL AGENDA.

***IN FACT, EARLIER THIS YEAR,
THE NATIONAL WOMENS
POLITICAL CAUCUS SPONSORED
A TWO-HOUR PEP RALLY IN
WASHINGTON CALLED "SALUTE
TO THE 1992 WOMEN
CANDIDATES."**

***AND, GUESS WHAT? NOT
ONE REPUBLICAN WAS INVITED,
MENTIONED, OR WELCOMED.**

***THAT'S WHY ORGANIZATIONS
LIKE THE "WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP
NETWORK" ARE SO IMPORTANT.
MANY OF THE NATIONAL
WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS
WOULD HAVE US BELIEVE THAT
THE ONLY ISSUES THAT**

**MATTERS TO WOMEN IS
ABORTION.**

***MAKE NO MISTAKE ABOUT IT,
ABORTION IS AN IMPORTANT
ISSUE--BUT IT'S JUST ONE OF
MANY THAT WOMEN SHOULD
CONSIDER BEFORE CASTING
THEIR VOTE.**

***WOMEN ARE ALSO
CONCERNED ABOUT HEALTH**

**CARE...ABOUT
EDUCATION...ABOUT THE
ECONOMY...ABOUT
GOVERNMENT MANDATES...AND
ABOUT NATIONAL DEFENSE.**

***I MET THE OTHER DAY WITH
TILLIE FOWLER...SHE'S A
MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL
IN JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA,
AND IS THE REPUBLICAN**

CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESS.

***NATIONAL DEFENSE AND
VETERANS ISSUES ARE VERY
IMPORTANT IN JACKSONVILLE,
AND TILLIE SAID SHE'S HAVING A
HARD TIME CONVINCING SOME
FOLKS THAT A WOMAN CAN
REPRESENT THOSE INTERESTS.**

***AND YOU DON'T SEE ANY
NATIONAL WOMEN'S GROUPS**

**LIKE THE NWPC COMING TO HER
AID--BECAUSE SHE'S A
REPUBLICAN, AND SHE THINKS
THAT BUSINESS SHOULD BE
ALLOWED TO MAKE A PROFIT.**

***I AM ALSO BOTHERED BY
THE RECENT POLLS WHICH
REFLECT THAT IT IS WOMEN
VOTERS WHO ARE PROVIDING**

**GOVERNOR CLINTON WITH HIS
LEAD.**

***APPARENTLY, THE MEDIA
SPIN THAT PRESIDENT BUSH
AND THE REPUBLICAN PARTY
ARE SOMEHOW "ANTI-WOMEN"
IS TAKING HOLD.**

***GROUPS LIKE THE WOMEN'S
LEADERSHIP NETWORK ARE**

**VERY IMPORTANT IN GETTING
THE TRUTH OUT...**

***AND THE TRUTH IS THAT
PRESIDENT BUSH HAS
APPOINTED MORE WOMEN TO
HIGH-LEVEL GOVERNMENT
POSITIONS THAN ANY OTHER
PRESIDENT IN HISTORY.**

***THE TRUTH IS THAT IT WAS A
REPUBLICAN--MYSELF, TO BE**

**EXACT--WHO ENSURED THAT
LAST YEAR'S CIVIL RIGHTS
LEGISLATION INCLUDED THE
CREATION OF A NATIONAL
COMMISSION ON THE GLASS
CEILING.**

***LET ME GIVE YOU ANOTHER
EXAMPLE...LAST YEAR,
CONGRESSWOMAN MOLINARI
AND I INTRODUCED A BILL TO**

**HELP COMBAT THE PROBLEM OF
VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN. IT
WAS A WIDE-RANGING BILL THAT
DEALT WITH PROBLEMS LIKE
SEXUAL ASSAULT AND SPOUSAL
ABUSE.**

***MANY OF OUR PROPOSALS
WERE INCLUDED IN THE CRIME
BILL...AND WHEN THAT BILL GOT
TO CONFERENCE COMMITTEE,**

**THE DEMOCRATS REMOVED
NEARLY EVERY PROVISION
DEALING WITH VIOLENCE
AGAINST WOMEN.**

***THESE PROVISIONS
INCLUDED A DOUBLING OF
MAXIMUM PENALTIES FOR
RECIDIVIST SEX OFFENDERS,
AND HIV TESTING OF
DEFENDANTS IN SEX OFFENSE**

CASES WITH DISCLOSURE OF TEST RESULTS TO VICTIMS.

***CONGRESSWOMAN
MOLINARI AND I ARE TRYING
AGAIN, AND WE'VE INTRODUCED
THE "SEXUAL ASSAULT
PREVENTION ACT OF 1992."**

***BUT AGAIN, THE LIBERAL
DEMOCRATS IN CHARGE TELL
US THEY HAVE PROBLEMS WITH**

**THE BILL...THEY HAVE
PROBLEMS WITH AUTHORIZING
THE DEATH PENALTY FOR
MURDERS COMMITTED BY SEX
OFFENDERS...THEY STILL HAVE
PROBLEMS WITH TESTING SEX
OFFENDERS FOR AIDS...AND
THEY HAVE PROBLEMS WITH
LETTING EVIDENCE COME IN AT
TRIALS THAT ACCUSED SEX**

**OFFENDERS OR CHILD
MOLESTERS HAD COMMITTED
OFFENSES OF THE SAME TYPE
BEFORE.**

***DESPITE ALL THIS, I'VE YET
TO SEE A STORY PROCLAIMING
THAT THE DEMOCRATS ARE
ANTI-WOMEN.**

***I LOOK FORWARD TO
WORKING WITH THE WOMEN'S**

**LEADERSHIP NETWORK TO
ENSURE THAT THE WORD GETS
OUT THAT WOMEN DO CARE
ABOUT A WHOLE VARIETY OF
ISSUES.**

***I'D BE HAPPY TO ANSWER
ANY QUESTIONS.**