

*Jan. 26*

TO: Senator Dole  
FR: Kerry

RE: Citizens for a Sound Economy

\*CSE is presenting its Jefferson Award to Senators and Congressmen who consistently support sound economic legislation. This year, nearly 200 members will receive the award.

\*An audience of 150-250 members and supporters of CSE is expected at your remarks...they will go from there into a reception for award winners.

\*They are aware that your schedule is tight, and that you will only be making very brief remarks.

**THANK YOU. I HAVE TO TELL  
YOU THAT THERE WAS A TIME ON  
TUESDAY EVENING, WHEN I  
WONDERED WHETHER I WOULD BE  
ABLE TO COME HERE THIS  
AFTERNOON, OR WHETHER I'D STILL  
BE LISTENING TO PRESIDENT  
CLINTON'S SPEECH.**

**IT IS A PLEASURE TO BE HERE TO  
RECEIVE THE JEFFERSON AWARD.  
UNLIKE SENATOR THURMOND, I DID**

**NOT PERSONALLY KNOW  
JEFFERSON, BUT I HAVE ALWAYS  
BEEN INSPIRED BY HIS WISDOM.**

**I DO APOLOGIZE FOR HAVING TO  
RUN IN AND OUT THIS AFTERNOON,  
BUT SENATOR DASCHLE AND I ARE  
HOSTING A RECEPTION FOR OUR  
NEW SENATE CHAPLAIN, AND, AS  
YOU KNOW, THE FLOOR DEBATE IS  
CONTINUING ON THE UNFUNDED  
MANDATES BILL.**

**AND I HAPPEN TO THINK THAT  
JEFFERSON WOULD WANT ME AT  
THAT DEBATE. AFTER ALL, IT WAS  
JEFFERSON WHO SAID THAT THE  
STATES ARE "THE MOST  
COMPETENT ADMINISTRATORS FOR  
OUR DOMESTIC CONCERNS."**

**AND THAT'S THE POINT OF THE  
UNFUNDED MANDATES  
LEGISLATION--AND A LOT OF OTHER  
BILLS THE 104TH CONGRESS WILL**



**CONSIDER. WASHINGTON, D.C. IS  
NOT AND SHOULD NOT BE THE  
SOLE REPOSITORY OF ALL THE  
ANSWERS TO AMERICA'S  
PROBLEMS.**

**JEFFERSON WAS RIGHT. OUR  
STATES AND OUR CITIES ARE THE  
MOST COMPETENT  
ADMINISTRATORS--THEY DO KNOW  
BEST HOW TO MEET THE NEEDS OF  
THEIR CITIZENS. AND I HAVE SAID**

**THAT IF I HAD ONE GOAL FOR THE  
104TH CONGRESS IT IS THIS: TO  
DUST OFF THE 10TH AMENDMENT  
AND RESTORE IT TO ITS RIGHTFUL  
PLACE IN THE CONSTITUTION.**

**WHILE THE SENATE IS DEBATING  
UNFUNDED MANDATES, THE HOUSE  
IS DEBATING THE BALANCED  
BUDGET AMENDMENT. AND AT THE  
TIME OF THE RATIFICATION OF THE  
CONSTITUTION, JEFFERSON SAID**

**THAT, IN HIS VIEW, IT HAD ONE  
GLARING OMISSION--IT DID NOT  
HAVE A CLAUSE PROHIBITING THE  
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FROM  
BORROWING.**

**AND, AS YOU WELL KNOW,  
BECAUSE THE FEDERAL  
GOVERNMENT WAS NOT REQUIRED  
TO BALANCE ITS BUDGET...WE  
HAVE SPENT TOO MUCH AND WE  
HAVE BORROWED TOO MUCH.**

**AND NOW IT IS THE DUTY OF  
THE 104TH CONGRESS TO CHANGE  
ALL THAT. THE AMERICAN PEOPLE  
HAVE GIVEN US A MANDATE TO  
LIMIT GOVERNMENT, TO RETURN  
POWER TO THE STATES AND TO  
THE PEOPLE, AND TO TAKE  
ACTIONS WHICH WILL PREVENT THE  
GOVERNMENT FROM SPENDING TOO  
MUCH AND BORROWING TOO  
MUCH.**



**I AM GRATEFUL FOR THE  
SUPPORT THAT THE CITIZENS FOR A  
SOUND ECONOMY HAS LONG  
PROVIDED TO OUR EFFORTS, AND I  
LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH  
YOU IN THE DAYS AHEAD.**

**--I have worked with folks  
like Otis Molz for years on  
matters affecting  
Cooperatives. Otis and I  
worked together with  
Farmland Industries in  
getting a wheat gluten plant  
in Russell Kansas.**

**--Cooperatives serve an  
important role in America.**

**As a matter of fact,**

**Cooperatives are alot like**

**Congress. People have a**

**common need, common**

**goals. They come together**

**and build something that**

**works for the benefit of**

**everyone. I think its pretty  
amazing that farmers, as  
independent as they are,  
have been able to come  
together, pool their resources  
and build cooperatives. Its  
nothing short of a miracle  
anytime you can get a group  
of farmers together to agree**



**on something.**

**--And Cooperatives work.**

**We know it here in America**

**and I know NCBA is**

**working extensively in**

**spreading the good word**

**around the world.**