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REPUBLICAN GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION

MEMORANDUM

TO: SENATOR BOB DOLE

FROM: CHRIS HENICK

DATE: JANUARY 27, 1995

**RE: RGA AMERICA'S MAJORITY DINNER
MONDAY EVENING, JANUARY 30**

Thank you for participating in what has turned out to be a tremendous success. To date, this event has already raised over \$975,000 for the Republican Governors Association. You will be our special guest, host a table, and make dinner remarks. Your table will be comprised of donors representing the corporate community in states and in Washington, D.C. You will receive your table guest list on Monday morning, January 30. The event will be held at the Grand Hyatt Washington, 1000 H Street, N.W.

Monday January 30, 1995

- 6:15 p.m. -- 6:30 p.m. RGA buses depart J.W. Marriott with Governors, spouses and staff and head to the Grand Hyatt.
- 6:30 p.m. -- 6:35 p.m. Governors, spouses arrive at Grand Hyatt and are escorted to the Constitution Ballroom (on Level 3B) for a private reception with Governors, Senator Bob Dole, Speaker Newt Gingrich and RGA Major Donors. This is a closed reception for Governors, spouses and major donors only.
- 6:35 p.m. -- 7:00 p.m. Reception with Republican Governors, Senator Dole, Speaker Newt Gingrich
- 7:00 p.m. -- 7:05 p.m. Governor Leavitt makes remarks

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- 7:05 p.m. -- 7:20 p.m. Photo-Op for Major Donors with Governors, and Congressional Leadership
- 7:20 p.m. -- 7:30 p.m. Governors Reception concludes and Governors and Donors are escorted downstairs to the Independence Ballroom for a general reception with all attendees
- 7:30 p.m. -- 7:50 p.m. General Reception
- 7:50 p.m. Reception concludes and Governors, spouses, dignitaries and attendees are asked to take their seats
- 7:50 p.m. -- 7:55 p.m. Recognition of Republican Governors and spouses to the Dinner attendees. Governor Leavitt makes opening remarks
- 7:55 p.m. Dinner is served
- 8:40 p.m. -- 8:50 p.m. RGA Video is shown
- (There will be print and media press that will be covering the speeches during the dinner. The Governors' and general receptions are closed press)
- 8:50 p.m. -- 8:55 p.m. RGA Video concludes and Governor Leavitt introduces Senator Dole
- 8:55 p.m. -- 9:10 p.m. Senator Dole remarks, then introduces Speaker Gingrich
- 9:10 p.m. -- 9:20 p.m. Speaker Gingrich remarks, then introduces Haley Barbour
- 9:20 p.m. -- 9:25 p.m. Haley Barbour remarks, then introduces Governor Engler
- 9:25 p.m. -- 9:30 p.m. Governor Engler makes closing remarks

**THANK YOU. MY REMARKS
TONIGHT WILL BE BRIEF. I HAD A
GREAT SPEECH ALL READY TO GO,
BUT I DECIDED TO LET SONNY
BONO GIVE IT LAST WEEK.**

**YOU HAVE TO ADMIT THAT THIS
HAS BEEN AN INTERESTING YEAR.
THANKS TO THE VOTERS, SONNY
BONO WENT FROM SHOW BUSINESS
TO POLITICS, AND MARIO CUOMO**

AND ANN RICHARDS WENT FROM
POLITICS TO SHOW BUSINESS.

I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY OF
YOU SAW THEIR COMMERCIAL
DURING YESTERDAY'S SUPER
BOWL, BUT POLITICIANS ~~TO~~
ENDORSE PRODUCTS CATCHES ON,
I EXPECT YOU'LL SEE EVER READY
BATTERIES ASKING STROM
THURMOND TO BE THEIR NATIONAL
SPOKESMAN. AFTER ALL, STROM

**JUST KEEPS GOING AND GOING
AND GOING.**

**STROM TOLD ME THE OTHER
DAY THAT HE HAS NOW
PARTICIPATED IN TWO
REVOLUTIONS. THE FIRST, OF
COURSE, WAS THE AMERICAN
REVOLUTION. AND THE SECOND IS
THE REPUBLICAN REVOLUTION OF
1994.**

BOTH REVOLUTIONS CAN BE

**SUMMED UP IN THREE LITTLE
WORDS--THE WORDS "WE, THE
PEOPLE."**

**IN 1776, THE PEOPLE RALLIED
BEHIND THE CRY THAT "TAXATION
WITHOUT REPRESENTATION IS
TYRANNY," AND THEY CREATED A
NEW COUNTRY IN THE PROCESS.**

**AND IN 1994, THE PEOPLE
RECLAIMED THEIR COUNTRY WHEN
THEY REALIZED THAT TAXATION**

**WITH DEMOCRAT REPRESENTATION
WASN'T MUCH BETTER.**

**ALL OF US ARE HERE TONIGHT
TO MAKE SURE THAT THE
REPUBLICAN REVOLUTION OF 1994
KEEPS ON GOING AND GOING. NO
DOUBT ABOUT IT, NOVEMBER'S
LANDSLIDE WILL SHAPE AMERICA'S
POLITICAL LANDSCAPE FOR MANY
YEARS TO COME.**

**AND THE LONGEST LASTING
EFFECTS OF THAT ELECTION--FOR
OUR PARTY AND OUR COUNTRY--
MAY WELL COME FROM THE
SUCCESS OF THE RGA AND OUR
REPUBLICAN GUBERNATORIAL
CANDIDATES.**

**HAVING REPUBLICANS IN
CHARGE OF 30 STATES DOES MANY
THINGS.**

**FIRST, IT ENSURES THAT THE
REPUBLICAN PARTY WILL STILL BE
THE PARTY OF IDEAS FOR MANY
YEARS TO COME.**

**OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS OF
DEMOCRAT CONTROL IN
WASHINGTON, IT HAS BEEN
REPUBLICAN GOVERNORS WHO
HAVE PROVEN THAT LESS
GOVERNMENT, LESS SPENDING AND**

**LOWER TAXES IS A FORMULA THAT
WORKS.**

**AND IT HAS BEEN REPUBLICAN
GOVERNORS WHOSE INNOVATIONS
IN EDUCATION, CRIME, AND
WELFARE REFORM HAVE DRIVEN
THE NATIONAL AGENDA. AND
NOW, AMERICA HAS 30 STATES
WHERE REPUBLICAN PRINCIPLES
AND REPUBLICAN INNOVATIONS
WILL BE PUT TO WORK.**

**SECOND, THE OVERWHELMING
RE-ELECTION OF MANY REPUBLICAN
GOVERNORS ALSO PROVIDED OUR
PARTY WITH AN ENTIRE NEW
"FARM TEAM" OF NEW TALENT--AS
THE COATTAILS OF GOVERNORS
LIKE GEORGE VOINOVICH, JIM
EDGAR, AND PETE WILSON CARRIED
CANDIDATES FOR STATE OFFICE
AND STATE LEGISLATURES TO
VICTORY.**

**AND IT SEEMS TO ME THAT I'VE
READ SOMETHING RECENTLY
ABOUT THERE BEING AN ELECTION
IN 1996. AND 30 REPUBLICAN
GOVERNORS ALSO MEANS THAT
OUR CANDIDATE WILL HAVE GRASS
ROOTS ORGANIZATIONS READY TO
GO IN 30 STATES--INCLUDING
CALIFORNIA, NEW YORK, TEXAS,
OHIO, MICHIGAN, NEW JERSEY AND
ILLINOIS.**

**IN FACT, GIVEN THE SUCCESS OF
OUR REPUBLICAN GOVERNORS, IT'S
NO WONDER THAT ONE OR TWO OF
THEM HAVE THOUGHT ABOUT
1996, THEMSELVES. WHEN I
WALKED INTO THE RECEPTION
EARLIER THIS EVENING, I SHOUTED
"HELLO, MR. PRESIDENT," AND
EVERYONE IN THE ROOM TURNED
AROUND--INCLUDING CHRISTIE**

**WHITMAN WHO SAID, "I PREFER
MADAM PRESIDENT."**

**THESE ARE GOOD TIMES FOR THE
REPUBLICAN PARTY. IT'S BEEN A
LONG, LONG EFFORT TO ACHIEVE
MAJORITY STATUS ON CAPITOL
HILL AND MAJORITY STATUS
ACROSS AMERICA. AND WE HAVE
EARNED THE RIGHT TO CELEBRATE
AT EVENTS LIKE THIS AND AT
ANOTHER DINNER WE'LL HAVING**

**NEXT WEEK. AND I THANK ALL
THOSE HERE TONIGHT WHO
ACTUALLY PAID FOR A TICKET.**

**BUT REPUBLICANS KNOW THAT
IF WE WANT TO HAVE ANYTHING
TO CELEBRATE IN THE YEARS
AHEAD, WE NEED TO KEEP OUR
PROMISES TO THE AMERICAN
PEOPLE.**

**THERE WAS A SURVEY
RECENTLY WHERE AMERICANS**

**WERE ASKED WHAT MADE THEM
"VERY ANGRY." AND OVER HALF
OF THOSE RESPONDING SAID
"PEOPLE IN POSITIONS OF POWER
WHO SAY ONE THING AND DO
ANOTHER."**

**IF 1994 IS TO BE THE BEGINNING
OF A NEW REPUBLICAN MAJORITY--
RATHER THAN JUST OUR HIGH
WATER MARK--THEN WE MUST
PROVE TO A SKEPTICAL AMERICAN**

**PUBLIC THAT OUR ACTIONS WILL
MATCH OUR WORDS.**

**ON THE FEDERAL LEVEL, THAT
MEANS KEEPING OUR PROMISE TO
MAKE CONGRESS PART OF THE
SOLUTION, AND NOT PART OF THE
PROBLEM. AND WE STARTED TO
DO THAT WHEN WE PASSED
CONGRESSIONAL COMPLIANCE
LEGISLATION.**

**IT MEANS KEEPING OUR PROMISE
TO FORCE THE FEDERAL
GOVERNMENT TO DO WHAT ALL
STATE GOVERNMENTS AND ALL
AMERICAN FAMILIES HAVE TO DO--
BALANCE THE BUDGET.**

**THE HOUSE ACTED LAST WEEK,
AND THE SENATE BEGAN THE
PROCESS TODAY. IT WILL BE A
TOUGH FIGHT. SENATOR BYRD
KNOWS THE SENATE RULES BETTER**

**THAN ANYONE ELSE. IN FACT, HE
WROTE MOST OF THEM. BUT IN
THE END, I THINK WE WILL WIN A
VICTORY FOR THE PEOPLE BY
SENDING A BALANCED BUDGET
AMENDMENT TO THE STATES.**

**AND WE CAN KEEP OUR WORD
TO THE PEOPLE BY LIVING UP TO
OUR PROMISE TO DUST OFF THE
10TH AMENDMENT AND RESTORE IT
TO ITS RIGHTFUL PLACE IN THE**

**CONSTITUTION. WE TOOK AN
IMPORTANT STEP TO DOING THAT
LAST WEEK WITH PASSAGE OF
LEGISLATION TO PUT AN END TO
UNFUNDED MANDATES. AND I
THANK THE GOVERNORS--
REPUBLICANS AND DEMOCRATS--
FOR THEIR STRONG SUPPORT OF S.
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**AND IN THE COMING WEEKS, WE
WILL CONTINUE OUR EFFORTS TO**

**RETURN GOVERNMENT TO THE
PEOPLE BY GIVING OUR STATES
AND OUR CITIES MORE AUTHORITY,
MORE RESPONSIBILITY, AND MORE
FLEXIBILITY.**

**IF CONGRESS NEEDS ANY
POINTERS ON HOW TO DO WHAT
WE SAY, ALL WE NEED TO DO IS
LOOK TO REPUBLICAN GOVERNORS.**

**GEORGE ALLEN PROMISED IN HIS
CAMPAIGN TO PUT AN END TO
PAROLE. AND HE DELIVERED.**

**CHRISTIE WHITMAN PROMISED
TO CUT TAXES IN NEW JERSEY.
AND SHE DELIVERED.**

**KIRK FORDICE PROMISED TO CUT
STATE SPENDING AND INCREASE
JOBS IN MISSISSIPPI. AND HE
DELIVERED.**

**TOMMY THOMPSON PROMISED
TO REFORM EDUCATION IN
WISCONSIN. AND HE DELIVERED.**

**AND THERE ARE MANY MORE
SUCCESS STORIES BEING WRITTEN
BY REPUBLICAN GOVERNORS FROM
NEW HAMPSHIRE TO UTAH, AND
FROM MINNESOTA TO MONTANA.**

**LET ME BE FRANK IN SAYING
THAT THERE ARE A LOT OF PEOPLE
OUT THERE WHO ARE BEGINNING**

**TO SAY THAT WE REPUBLICAN'S
DON'T REALLY HAVE THE
ANSWERS, AND THAT WE WON'T
KEEP OUR PROMISES WITH THE
PEOPLE. THEY SAY ALL WE WANT
TO DO IS PASS THE BUCK.**

**BUT I'LL TELL YOU WHAT, OUR
DESIRE TO SEE POWER REMOVED
FROM WASHINGTON IS NOT
BECAUSE WE ARE TIMID ABOUT
OUR IDEAS--IT IS BECAUSE WE**

**HAVE FAITH IN THE AMERICAN
PEOPLE.**

**DON'T GET ME WRONG. I'M ONE
REPUBLICAN WHO BELIEVES THAT
GOVERNMENT CAN AND SHOULD
PLAY A ROLE IN OUR LIFE. I MIGHT
NOT BE STANDING HERE IF IT
WEREN'T FOR SOMETHING CALLED
THE G.I. BILL, AND IF IT WEREN'T
FOR VETERAN'S HOSPITALS.**

**THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WILL
NOT TURN ITS BACK ON PEOPLE,
COMMUNITIES, OR STATES IN NEED
OF HELP. BUT WE WILL ALSO NOT
CREATE WINNERS AND LOSERS,
DIVIDING OUR PEOPLE BY CLASSES,
AND TURNING AMERICANS
AGAINST EACH OTHER.**

**OUR GOAL HAS BEEN AND WILL
REMAIN TO BRING OPPORTUNITY
AND PROSPERITY TO ALL**

**AMERICANS IN EVERY PART OF THE
COUNTRY.**

**LET ME LEAVE YOU TONIGHT
WITH THE WORDS OF A FORMER
MEMBER OF THE RGA, PRESIDENT
RONALD REAGAN.**

**PRESIDENT REAGAN SAID,
"TRUST THE PEOPLE" --THESE
THREE WORDS ARE NOT ONLY THE
HEART AND SOUL OF AMERICAN
HISTORY BUT THE MOST POWERFUL**

**FORCE FOR HUMAN PROGRESS IN
THE WORLD TODAY. THOSE WHO
IGNORE THIS VITAL TRUTH WILL
CONDEMN THEIR COUNTRIES TO
FALL FATHER AND FATHER
BEHIND."**

**LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, UNDER
THE LEADERSHIP OF REPUBLICANS
ON CAPITOL HILL AND REPUBLICAN
GOVERNORS ACROSS THE
COUNTRY, AMERICA WILL NOT FALL**

**FARTHER AND FARTHER BEHIND.
INSTEAD, WE WILL LEAD THE WAY.
AND WE WILL LEAD THE WAY
BECAUSE WE WILL TRUST THE
PEOPLE.**

**AND NOW, I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE
OF DOING SOMETHING I WAS
BEGINNING TO LOSE HOPE I WOULD
EVER DO...AND THAT'S TO
INTRODUCE TO YOU A REPUBLICAN
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF**

**REPRESENTATIVES. PLEASE JOIN
ME IN WELCOMING NEWT
GINGRICH.**