

**SENATOR BOB DOLE  
NATIONAL REVIEW 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

**THANK YOU. IT'S A PLEASURE TO BE  
HERE THIS EVENING.**

**LAST NIGHT, AMERICA SALUTED AN  
OUTSTANDING BASEBALL PLAYER WHO HAS  
PLAYED WITH SKILL AND GRACE FOR THE  
PAST 13 YEARS.**

**AND TONIGHT, WE SALUTE A MAGAZINE  
WHICH HAS BEEN WRITTEN WITH SKILL AND  
GRACE FOR THE PAST 40 YEARS.**

**AND JUST AS CAL RIPKEN HAS PLAYED  
IN EVERY GAME, BILL BUCKLEY AND THE  
NATIONAL REVIEW HAVE PLAYED A ROLE IN**

THE DEBATES OF ALMOST EVERY  
IMPORTANT ISSUE OF OUR TIME.

LET ME SAY ON A PERSONAL NOTE,  
THAT I ALWAYS LOOK FORWARD TO  
NATIONAL REVIEW'S ARRIVAL IN MY  
OFFICE. OF COURSE, AFTER STARTING MY  
DAY WITH THE WASHINGTON POST AND  
THE NEW YORK TIMES, I WOULD ENJOY  
READING ANYTHING.

BUT I MUST SAY THAT I HAVE ENJOYED  
THIS YEAR'S NATIONAL REVIEWS MORE  
THAN EVER. AFTER ALL, THIS IS THE FIRST  
YEAR IN THE HISTORY OF THE NATIONAL

**REVIEW THAT THEY HAVE EVER REPORTED  
ON A REPUBLICAN CONGRESS. AND I  
THINK THEIR REPORTING HAS BEEN BETTER,  
FRESHER, AND MORE EXCITING.**

**AND STROM THURMOND SHARES THAT  
CONCLUSION. AND NOT ONLY HAS HE BEEN  
IN THE SENATE SINCE THE VERY FIRST  
ISSUE OF NATIONAL REVIEW, HE'S BEEN  
HERE SINCE THE VERY FIRST ISSUE OF POOR  
RICHARD'S ALMANAC.**

**I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE NEXT 40  
YEARS HOLD FOR NATIONAL REVIEW. BUT  
I DO KNOW THAT ONE STORY THEY HAVE**

**NEVER HAD THE CHANCE TO COVER IS ONE ABOUT A SITTING SENATE MAJORITY LEADER BEING ELECTED PRESIDENT. AND I THINK THAT'S A STORY THAT NEEDS TO BE TOLD.**