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HARRISBURG RALLY

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1976

TOMORROW IS THE MOST IMPORTANT DAY

OF THIS CAMPAIGN.

THE CHOICE FOR PRESIDENT

IS BETWEEN AN EXPERIENCED LEADER

OF PERFORMANCE AND ACTION ---

AND A MAN OF MANY PROMISES

AND MANY POSITIONS.

PRESIDENT FORD HAS MADE US PROUD AGAIN ---

OF OUR GOVERNMENT

AND OF OURSELVES.

HE BECAME PRESIDENT

DURING A DIFFICULT TIME,

AND HE HAS BROUGHT AMERICA

OUT OF THOSE DARK DAYS

THROUGH STRONG AND HONEST LEADERSHIP.

AMERICA IS AT PEACE,

AND NO AMERICAN IS FIGHTING

ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD.

PRESIDENT FORD IS AN EXPERIENCED

AND REALISTIC WORLD LEADER.

HE HAS ACTED

TO KEEP AMERICA STRONG AND SECURE.

HE HAS MADE TOUGH DECISIONS

TO IMPROVE THE ECONOMY.

HE HAS NOT BEEN AFRAID

TO VETO THOSE BIG SPENDING BILLS

TO SAVE YOUR TAX MONEY.

I HOPE YOU'LL SEND HIM

SOME MORE REPUBLICAN HELP

FROM PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE AND SENATE

TO KEEP UP THE FIGHT

AGAINST WASTE AND INFLATION.

IN EVERYTHING JERRY FORD HAS DONE AS PRESIDENT,

HE HAS BEEN REALISTIC

WITH YOU

ABOUT WHAT GOVERNMENT <u>CAN</u>

AND SHOULD DO.

HE IS A MAN OF HIS WORD.

BEFORE YOU VOTE TOMORROW ---

THINK ABOUT AMERICA IN AUGUST, 1974

AND AMERICA TODAY.

THEN I AM SURE

YOU WILL VOTE FOR MY HUSBAND.

ELECT PRESIDENT FORD

AND SEND SOME MORE REPUBLICAN HELP

IN THE HOUSE AND SENATE ---

SO THAT AMERICA CAN MOVE PROUDLY

INTO ITS THIRD CENTURY!

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Pennsylvania Political Background

Harrisburg is the state capitol. This area of central Pennsylvania is predominantly Republican, although the incumbent governor is Democrat Milton Shapp. A strong GOP turnout is very important in central Pennsylvania, because of the strong Democratic machines in the cities.

Harrisburg is part of the 17th District, where incumbent Republican Herman Schneebeli is retiring. The GOP nominee is Joseph Hepford, a lawyer who has served 14 years in the Pennsylvania House. This is considered a tough race, because of Democratic control of state government.

Republican Edwin Eshleman is also retiring in the neighboring 16th, which encompasses most of the Pennsylvania Dutch country. The GOP nominee for that seat is Bob Walker.

Pennsylvania has 25 House seats, 14 Democrats and 11 Republicans. The Senate race between John Heinz and William Green is opening up two other House seats.

Patricia Crawford, a state legislator, is running for state treasurer. A Pennsylvania native, she is married and has two children, a daughter in law school and a son in graduate school. She is running a tough race against a man who has the same name as the incumbent.

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