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Thursday 9/4/75

1:15 Dudley has talked with Bob Hartmann on Air Force One and he said he has completely thrown away that speech and is starting from scratch.

Dudley told him that was good!



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& Dudley



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 3, 1975

MEMORANDUM TO: PHIL BUCHEN

FROM: PAUL THEIS *PT*

SUBJECT: Remarks to the Joint Session of the
California State Legislature

Attached are remarks for the President's use at the Joint Session of the California State Legislature on Friday, September 5, at 11:30 a.m. in Sacramento. The address to the Legislature, which consists of 80 Assemblymen and 40 State Senators, will be carried on live statewide TV.

Could we please have your comments and initials on the clearance sheet as soon as possible today, Wednesday, September 3?

Thank you.

CLEARANCE FORM FOR PRESIDENTIAL SPEECH MATERIAL

TO: THE PRESIDENT
VIA: ROBERT HARTMANN
FROM: PAUL A. THEIS
SUBJECT: President's remarks to the Joint Session
of the California State Legislature

TIME, DATE AND PLACE OF PRESIDENTIAL USE: _____

11:30 a.m., Friday, September 5, 1975, Sacramento

SPEECHWRITER: Longood

EDITED BY: Rousek/Theis

BASIC RESEARCH/SPEECH MATERIAL SUPPLIED BY:

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- () OFFICE OF PUBLIC LIAISON (Baroody) _____
- (X) Dick Parsons
- (X) Attorney General Levi



(Longood) FT

September 3, 1975
FOURTH DRAFT
w/changes

PROPOSED PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS BEFORE THE JOINT LEGISLATURE
SESSION, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1975

I want to talk today about a topic that has been deep in your deliberations
and high in my concerns -- crime.

I choose this forum because California illustrates the depth of our
dilemma in trying to stem the rising tide of crime in the Nation at large.

You have some of the finest law enforcement agencies in the Nation
ablest
here. Some of the/ crime fighters in the world at work here in California
and some of the best minds are trying to improve your criminal justice
system.

Yet, despite this talent and this expertise, the magnitude of the
crime problem is threatening to overwhelm even California.



From 1968 up to 1974, violent crime in your state has risen 43 percent. During the first three months of this year alone, crime rose by a startling 13 percent over the same three-month period in 1974. Although California's crime statistics are well below the national average, they still reflect a steep upward trend.

If California, with the best talent and crime-fighting expertise to be found anywhere, cannot get a handle on crime, who can?

It is this epidemic of crime that has alarmed and frightened Americans everywhere. Not long ago, I read a letter from the mother of two children. Her home has been robbed six times -- twice this summer.

Things have gotten so bad, she says, that when she leaves for work she has to put her major household valuables in the trunk of her car. "I now live in fear," she wrote, "What does one do for protection of your life and freedom?"



She deserves an answer to that question. So do the American people.

We need to get a handle on the problem. A few months ago, I proposed an approach that can give us this handle. Most serious crimes are committed by repeaters. A survey taken here in California, for example, shows that about 2,300 violent criminals in this State are returned to the streets every year -- even though they committed crimes against another person and used a gun to do it.

One doesn't have to be an expert in criminology to know , that if we put violent criminals back on the streets, the incidence of violent crime will not go down. Instead, it can, it will and it has -- gone up.



I cannot understand how anyone can expect our laws to deter violent crime when we tolerate lenient treatment for violent offenders.

The American people want hardened criminals -- the repeaters -- off the streets -- period!

For too long, courts have emphasized the rights of criminal defendants and neglected ^{the rights of} victims of crime. Our first concern must be to protect the victims of crime -- not the perpetrators.

The most dangerous weapon of violence is the firearm. One squeeze of a trigger and the victim is dead, injured or maimed for life.

This slaughter of innocent lives must stop.

In my recommendations to the Congress, I have proposed mandatory jail sentences for offenders who commit crimes under Federal jurisdiction with a dangerous weapon.



Mandatory sentences should also be meted out to those who commit such extraordinary crimes as aircraft hijacking, kidnapping and trafficking in hard drugs.

As lawmakers, you well know that prime responsibility for law enforcement is vested in the States.

It is to you, the States and the communities, that we must look primarily to reverse the tidal wave of violent crime. Most serious and violent crimes are committed under your jurisdictions.

I call for concerted action by the Federal Government, States and communities to stop this epidemic of violent crime. Only by working together -- through our legislative bodies and our crime fighting agencies -- can we make America safe for the law-abiding and peaceful citizens.



Only by reducing violent crime can we create an atmosphere more conducive to programs of overall reform. A cooperative effort to reverse the tide of violent crime must therefore be our first priority.

I take heart from the fact that here, in the Nation's most populous State, you have been able to keep your crime rate below the national average.

Americans everywhere look to States such as California to lead the way in the fight to reduce crime.

And you have been leading the way -- right here in these chambers. I commend this legislature for your efforts to develop sound legislation to deter the use of firearms by criminals. This legislation would deny probation to any convicted person who uses a firearm in the commission of a crime.



I understand that you have under consideration legislation that would ban probation to the pushers of hard drugs and to repeated offenders who have been convicted of first degree burglary.

This is the kind of legislation I had in mind when I made my recommendations for reform of the Federal code of criminal justice last June.

California's leadership in this crime-fighting legislation can be an example to the Nation of what we mean when we talk about the Federal Government and the States working together.

I pledge you my personal support in this partnership venture.

As a further step in this partnership, I have recommended that *The* funds *ING authorization* for the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration be *extended* ~~increased~~ *for* over the next five years and the money put where the problems are.

One such problem is that our courts in some jurisdictions are



overloaded -- resulting in very few cases being actually tried.

One study has shown that, over a three-year period in Manhattan,

only about three percent of the persons indicted were convicted after

trial. The reason for so low a rate is plea bargaining -- a practice

growing out of the pressure of heavy court dockets.

Here in California, you have been able to use LEAA money to relieve the court backlog in one of your major cities. This has speeded up the process of criminal justice and the incarceration of _____ more convicted criminals this year over last.

And there are other forms of assistance the Federal Government can provide. I have, for example, proposed to the Congress that legislation be passed to prohibit the manufacture, assembly or sale of cheap handguns -- Saturday Night Specials. I have asked for the strengthening of Federal laws aimed at cutting off illegal commerce in handguns.




I have also directed the Treasury Department to double its firearms investigations in Los Angeles and nine other large metropolitan areas and to employ and train an additional 500 investigators for this effort.

We also need to strengthen the Federal mandate to crack down on organized and white collar crime.

We need a law that would make it a Federal crime to operate or control a racketeering syndicate. This would bring the force of Federal law enforcement efforts to bear against those leaders of organized crime who have been able to disguise their role in syndicated crime.

Price fixing, industrial espionage and other white collar crimes need to be attacked more vigorously. Consumers are being cheated out of an estimated \$40 billion a year by these crimes, which also serve to undermine faith in our economic, legal and political systems. In recognition of this major threat, I have directed the Attorney General to coordinate Federal efforts to enforce and prosecute white collar crimes.



We need to take another look at prisons. Too many inmates come out of these institutions more committed to crime than when they went in. Something is obviously wrong when a system designed to correct criminal behavior is reinforcing it instead.

Here in California, you have an Attorney General's Task Force on prisoner rehabilitation. Every Californian -- and every American -- may well benefit from its findings and recommendations.

I am also convinced that we need to devote greater resources to preventing crime by diverting young persons into programs that will lead them along new pathways. Such efforts can save us untold billions of dollars in the long haul.

Statistics two years ago indicate that 45 percent of all the persons arrested for crimes are under 18 years of age. Not to focus more of our resources on these young offenders is to miss an unparalleled opportunity.

I have directed the Attorney General to work closely with other concerned



agencies to ensure that the Federal Government makes the best possible use of its resources in this crucial area.

One of the most effective forms of rehabilitation is a job. An offender returned to society but unable to find a job is more likely to return to criminal activity. I urge employers to keep an open mind on the hiring of these persons. I have also directed the U. S. Civil Service Commission to review its program designed to prevent Federal employers from unjustly discriminating against ex-felons. I call upon you in California to join in this effort to see to it that ex-offenders get a fair shake in the job market.

We can also provide leadership in making Federal funds available to add judges, prosecutors and public defenders to the Federal system. This should encourage States to adopt similar priorities.



Finally, I believe that Federal law should be revised to take into greater account the needs of those victimized by crime. Our first-consideration must be to the victims of crime. That is why I have urged the Congress to pass legislation to compensate those who have suffered economic losses due to personal injury in crimes coming under Federal jurisdiction.

If the Congress enacts the proposals I have made to combat crime, I am confident that we will immeasurably strengthen the attack on the problem. If the States follow suit, we will be well on our way.

No overnight success is in prospect. The fight against crime will be an uphill fight. But only if we begin now to act can that fight be won.

Alone, the Federal Government can do relatively little. Most of the violent crimes committed in America are under the jurisdiction of States and localities.



Together, we can achieve success. Here in California, you have made an auspicious beginning and I commend you for it.

Together, we can make domestic tranquility a reality in our time. We can make America safe and secure.

Together, we can make that new start so essential to the quest.

Let us begin.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 10, 1975

Bobbie,

Mr. Buchen hasn't seen.
May we please have your
comments and he will
initial off on the
signature page?

Thanks.

shirley

Have made ^{one} substantive
change ^(p. 5-6) & some small
word changes.
Bobbie



9/11/75

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

This was due
yesterday
at noon. I

have alerted Paul
This ^{is} we will
get back to
them later

Mr. B has
signed it.



THE WHITE HOUSE

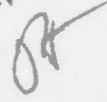
WASHINGTON

September 9, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

PHIL BUCHEN

FROM:

PAUL THEIS 

SUBJECT:

Proposed Presidential remarks to the
National Federation of Republican
Women

Attached are proposed remarks for the President to use before the Bi-annual meeting of the National Federation of Republican Women in the Dallas Convention Center, in Dallas, Texas, on Saturday, September 13, 1975. In addition to the President speaking on Saturday, other speakers on Friday will include Vice President Rockefeller and Ronald Reagan. John Connally will speak immediately before the President. There will be about 2,000 women in the audience.

May we have your comments, as well as your initials on the attached clearance form, by noon tomorrow, Wednesday, September 10?

Many thanks.

Attachment



CLEARANCE FORM FOR PRESIDENTIAL SPEECH MATERIAL

TO: THE PRESIDENT
VIA: ROBERT HARTMANN
FROM: PAUL A. THEIS
SUBJECT: Remarks to the National Federation
of Republican Women Convention

TIME, DATE AND PLACE OF PRESIDENTIAL USE: _____

11 a.m., Saturday, September 12, 1975, Dallas, Texas

SPEECHWRITER: Rousek

EDITED BY: Theis

BASIC RESEARCH/SPEECH MATERIAL SUPPLIED BY:
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- (X) Jack Calkins
- (X) Pat Lindh

(Rousek)PT

September 9, 1975
THIRD DRAFT

PROPOSED PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS TO THE NATIONAL FEDERATION
OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN, DALLAS, TEXAS, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1975

(ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS)

Thank you, Connie. It's good to be here with such an inspiring group of Federation leaders.

I want to commend you, first of all, Connie, for your outstanding work for the Republican Party over the last 25 years. You have been everywhere and done just about everything. And you have done it well.

Under your leadership during the past four years, the Federation has advanced rapidly.

As NFRW President, you have travelled to every State in the Nation, going well over a million miles to counsel and work with your members. You deserve the highest commendations -- and I want to join in saying to you: "Well done!"

Incidentally, I understand that one of the Dallas papers, commenting on both your fencing and linguistic abilities, reported that you honed your words -- you didn't mince them. How true. As long as I've known you, I've never known you to mince words. You tell it like it is.

I also want to congratulate Pat Hutar on her election as your successor. Pat, you have a hard act to follow. But I know that when you complete your presidency, you will be able to look back -- as Connie can -- at a remarkable record of achievement. I want you and every Federation member to know, too, that I will do whatever I can to help this great organization of Republican women.

Pat, I was pleased to learn that you will visit China next month with a group of American women leaders -- to help promote better understanding between our two countries. I'm pleased that Virginia Knauer and several other women in my Administration will be with your group.



There is no better way to advance the cause of peace than by getting a better understanding of how the people of other nations view things.

In looking over the list of delegates to this convention, I was pleased to note that a young woman who was a White House Intern this summer is a member of the Virginia delegation. She's Theresa Garland, and I'm told she's the youngest delegate here. And I also hear Theresa was responsible for all the art work that had to be prepared for this meeting. It's good to know that we have such talented young people coming along as the Federation's leaders of the future.

Since the Federation was founded in 1938, your progress has been an inspiration. As the largest volunteer women's political organization in the world, it can truly be said you are the greatest asset the Republican Party has.

I hope the Democrats never find out the secrets of your success.

If there is one thing I want to leave with you today, it is this:

The Republican Party needs you -- the Nation needs you, each one of you
to help in the 1976 elections. Every Republican candidate, ^{every female candidate and every male candidate,} across this
great country needs you.

You here -- and the half-million other Federation members --
know how many elections have been won through your efforts.

You are needed as campaign managers, finance chair^{PERSONS,}men, precinct
chair^{PERSONS}men, registration drive chair^{PERSONS.}men. Without you, working at every
level in the 1976 campaign, Republican chances in 1976 wouldn't be as
bright as they are. In my travels across America, I find great Republican
enthusiasm, great spirit and a great desire to win. Those are the ingredients
of success in politics -- and Republicans have them in abundance.

One thing I encourage more of you to do is become candidates
in your own right. Since you are experts in the field
of politics, what better way is there to capitalize on that expertise by
becoming candidates? I hope there are some future members of the



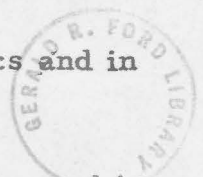
U. S. Senate and House and some future Governors in this audience today.

The Congress -- particularly the way its divided now -- could benefit tremendously from some of your straight-thinking Republican views.

But not only the Congress. You have much to contribute to every elective office. Many of you with children know what is best for them as far as education goes. Why not run for the school board and have an influence on that education? You know the problems of your city, county and state. Run for office at the local or state level. No one would do a better job than you Republican women in making government work more efficiently and economically for the benefit of everyone.

Your Party organization is wide open to you. Mary Louise Smith has proven that there is no Party position that cannot be filled competently and capably by a woman. Nor is there any elective office beyond the reach of a woman. We need more of you in key posts -- both in politics and in government at all levels.

The 1972 Republican party rules, as adopted by the national convention require each state party organization to endeavor to have equal representation of men and women in its national convention delegation. I applaud & encourage this movement. Each of you to run for a delegate seat. Women constitute 53%.



As we look to 1976, I have found good reason to be optimistic about Republican chances in 1976. More than at any time in history, the views and objectives of the Republican Party are shared by the vast majority of Americans.

The great majority of Americans believe as we do: that the free enterprise system made this country great. Left to operate freely without government interference it will make America even greater. They believe as we do that we must have a strong defense -- that the second best defense is no defense at all. They believe as we do that local concerns should be handled locally. They believe as we do that personal freedom is one of the most precious of individual rights. They believe as we do in fiscal responsibility and keeping Federal spending within limits that will not trigger further inflation.

(more)



Let me talk frankly about fiscal responsibility. I'm not a bit happy about a deficit of \$60 billion. But if the big-spending Democrats in the Congress had their way, it would be \$70 billion, \$80 billion or even \$100 billion!

This trend was started more than a generation ago by politicians and theorists who felt massive Federal spending would cure every social ill. This massive spending covered a wide range of income redistribution programs -- programs under which a qualified citizen is automatically entitled to specific benefits.

Many of these programs are necessary and commendable. But in this fiscal year they will total more than \$168 billion and constitute more than 45 percent of Government expenditures. Even after adjusting for inflation, these payments have been growing at an annual rate of 9 percent for the past 20 years. That is far faster


than the standard of living has been improving for the average taxpayer who has had to foot the bill.

In 1955 and even in 1965, these programs were only a modest part of the total Federal budget. But even small numbers become large when compounded at 9 percent per year for 20 years. The trend has to be reversed.

There are some -- and they are sincere -- who feel we can balance the Federal budget by cutting the defense budget. Others, equally sincere, want to switch billions of defense dollars into social programs.

In my opinion both viewpoints are shortsighted.

They ignore the fact that a strong defense is our best insurance policy for peace. They ignore the fact that this Government's most important social obligation is to guarantee the life and freedom of every citizen from outside attack.




Without peace we could lose the option we now have of providing both for a strong defense and taking care of essential human needs.

We must not lose that option. We must strike the proper balance in spending for social programs and in spending for national security.

The only way we will be able to reduce spending for defense in the future is to do it in concert with our potential adversaries.

We cannot -- we will not -- do it unilaterally.

We have made some progress -- not enough in my opinion -- in relaxing tensions in the world. There has been the ABM treaty, an interim SALT I agreement and some progress on SALT II, negotiations on Mutual and Balanced Force Reductions in Europe, as well as agreements on bacteriological and chemical warfare, space and the seabeds.



What about detente? Let me tell you what detente means to me.

To me, it means a movement away from the constant crisis and dangerous confrontations that have characterized our relations with the Soviet Union.

Let me tell you what it does not mean.

It does not mean peace at any price -- only a strong preference for peace.

It does not mean sacrificing fundamental American principles.

It does not mean letting down our guard, dismantling our defense or neglecting our friends.

It does not mean that one side can advocate stability in one part of the world while promoting disruption in another.

Although peace is the primary objective of the United States, let me stress this: freedom comes first. For that reason, I can assure you we will not let down our guard.

The theme of your convention is "We believe." Many of you are wearing buttons that say "I believe."

Let me tell you I believe we are on the right road in our international relations. I believe we are doing the right things to get our economy back on track. I believe America's greatest century lies ahead. As great as our past has been, our future is even brighter.

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Tuesday 9/16/75

2:10 Nell Yates called and asked if you felt someone from the Counsel's office should have an input in the President's briefing book for the speech he will be giving at the Stanford Law University Library this week.

4:20 Mr. Hills, Mr. Buchen asked if you would take care of this. Thanks.

Eva



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date 9/11/75

TO: Phil Buchen

FROM: KEN LAZARUS

ACTION:

- X Approval/Signature
 Comments/Recommendations
 Prepare Response
 Please Handle
 For Your Information
 File

REMARKS:

I spoke with Paul Theis after preparing this memorandum.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 11, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: PAUL THEIS
THROUGH: PHIL BUCHEN *T.W.R.*
FROM: KEN LAZARUS *KL*
SUBJECT: President's Visit to Missouri,
Kansas and Texas

I have reviewed the attached proposed remarks for the President's use at the political events on his trip to Missouri, Kansas and Texas. Suggested changes are noted in the text.

I would like to point out that the cost of these events are carried by the RNC in accordance with our position that the President is serving in these instances as the titular head of the Republican Party. As you know, travel costs which are incurred by the President as a candidate for reelection must by law be borne by the President's principal election committee subject to the recent Campaign Reform Act.

In order to preserve this distinction, it is advisable to insure that the President's remarks at events which are financed by the RNC, do not give the appearance of directly promoting the President's interests in being elected. Problems in this regard are presented by the drafts prepared for the Missouri GOP fund raiser dinner and the GOP fund raiser buffet luncheon. Our proposed changes are designed to meet these concerns.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 10, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR PHIL BUCHEN ✓
JACK CALKINS

FROM: PAUL THEIS OT

SUBJECT: The President's visit to
Missouri, Kansas and
Texas

Attached are proposed remarks for the President's use at the political events on his trip to Missouri, Kansas and Texas. They include the following:

1. GOP Reception in St. Louis
2. Kansas Leadership Club Reception *
in Kansas City, Kansas
3. Capital Club Reception also in
Kansas City, Kansas
4. Missouri GOP Fundraiser Dinner
in Kansas City, Missouri
5. National Federation of Republican **
Women's Convention in Dallas
6. GOP Fundraiser Buffet Luncheon
in Dallas

May I have any comments or suggestions on them as soon as possible Thursday morning, September 11? Thanks.

Attachments.

* Prepared remarks will not be needed.
** President wants rewritten —
so skip this.

CLEARANCE FORM FOR PRESIDENTIAL SPEECH MATERIAL

TO: THE PRESIDENT
VIA: ROBERT HARTMANN
FROM: PAUL A. THEIS
SUBJECT: St. Louis GOP Reception

TIME, DATE AND PLACE OF PRESIDENTIAL USE: _____
2:45 p.m., Friday, September 12, St. Louis, Missouri

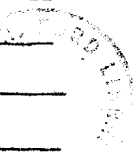
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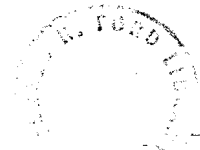
ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1975

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(ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS)

1. I KEEP HEARING HOW THE REPUBLICAN PARTY WILL GO INTO THE 1976 ELECTIONS AS THE UNDERDOG -- AND, SOMEHOW, THAT HAS A VAGUELY FAMILIAR RING TO IT. ISN'T THAT WHAT THEY SAID ABOUT THE MISSOURI TIGERS IN ALABAMA LAST MONDAY NIGHT?



2. IF WHAT I SEE IN STATE AFTER STATE IS ANY INDICATION -

AND I THINK IT IS -- WE REPUBLICANS CAN BE VERY OPTIMISTIC

AS FAR AS 1976 IS CONCERNED. I SEE GREAT ENTHUSIASM WHEREVER

I GO. THE VICTORY SPIRIT IS THERE. THE MONEY, THANKS

TO PEOPLE LIKE YOU, IS COMING IN.

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3. BEST OF ALL, I AM CONVINCED THE VAST MAJORITY

OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE REALIZE THAT THE BASIC PRINCIPLES

OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY ARE WHAT THEY ALSO BELIEVE -- AND

THEY SEE HOW THOSE PRINCIPLES APPLIED TO THE JOB OF RUNNING

AMERICA WILL BRING ABOUT THE REAL PROGRESS THEY DESIRE.

4. IN THE BROAD SPECTRUM OF PARTY THINKING,

ALTHOUGH THERE WILL ALWAYS BE SOME DISAGREEMENT ON EMPHASIS,

REPUBLICANS ADHERE TO THESE FUNDAMENTAL COMMITMENTS:

FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY IN GOVERNMENT; A VIGOROUS FREE ENTERPRISE

SYSTEM UNHAMPERED BY GOVERNMENT INTERFERENCE; A STRONG

NATIONAL DEFENSE, WHICH IS OUR BEST HOPE FOR PEACE IN THE WORLD;

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THE HANDLING OF LOCAL PROBLEMS AT THE LOCAL LEVEL --

INSTEAD OF BY BUREAUCRATS IN FAR-AWAY PLACES -- AND, FINALLY,

BUT PROBABLY MOST IMPORTANT, MORE PERSONAL FREEDOM

FOR THE INDIVIDUAL.

INDEPENDENTS, AND EVEN A GROWING NUMBER OF DEMOCRATS --
ARE NOW AWARE THAT THE WAY FOR THIS COUNTRY TO MOVE AHEAD
IS TO RETURN TO THESE BASICS OF GOVERNMENT. THAT'S WHY I AM
OPTIMISTIC ABOUT 1976.

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6. JUST BECAUSE WE'RE THE GOOD GUYS, WE CAN'T
SIT BACK AND THINK REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES AT ALL LEVELS
WILL BE ELECTED AUTOMATICALLY. WE'VE GOT A LOT OF WORK
TO DO BETWEEN NOW AND NOVEMBER, 1976. WE MUST TELL
OUR STORY OVER AND OVER AGAIN UNTIL EVEN THE DOUBTERS
ARE CONVINCED.



WE MUST HOLD REGISTRATION DRIVES TO ROUND UP THOSE VOTERS

WHO BELIEVE IN THE PRINCIPLES WE DO. AND, ON ELECTION DAY,

WE MUST MAKE SURE THAT EVERY POTENTIAL REPUBLICAN VOTER

GETS TO THE POLLS AND VOTES. DATING BACK TO LINCOLN'S DAYS

AND EARLIER, THAT'S THE WAY ELECTIONS WERE WON -- AND THAT'S

THE WAY WE'LL WIN IN 1976.

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IF WE ARE SUCCESSFUL, THIS GREAT COUNTRY WILL CONTINUE

TO MOVE FORWARD AS WE START OUR THIRD CENTURY.

WE CAN DO IT. IF YOU SHARE THIS VIEW, LET'S GET TO WORK --

RIGHT NOW!

END OF TEXT



CLEARANCE FORM FOR PRESIDENTIAL SPEECH MATERIAL

TO: THE PRESIDENT
VIA: ROBERT HARTMANN
FROM: PAUL A. THEIS
SUBJECT: Kansas Leadership Club Reception

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KANSAS GOP LEADERSHIP CLUB RECEPTION, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
KANSAS CITY, KANSAS

NOTE: Upfront to come from Bob Orben.

Today, the people of Kansas are fortunate to have leaders like
Governor Bob Bennett, Senators Bob Dole and Jim Pearson, Congressmen
Larry Winn, Keith Sebelius of the "Big First," Garner Shriver and
Joe Skubitz. Each of these men has enhanced the distinguished tradition
of public service which other Kansans did much to build.

The Republican Party is equally fortunate to have people like you --
who believe in our party, its work and its principles.

Thanks to you -- and to thousands like you across America -- the
party will have enough money to wage effective campaigns -- here in Kansas
and across America.

Forty years ago, when a great Kansan and my dear friend, Mr.
Landon, was the Republican nominee for President, he warned the Nation



of the dangers of inflation, of too much government, of reckless federal spending.

Those dangers were not discerned by most Americans in 1936, but they are clear enough today.

The Republican Party is prepared to deal with those dangers in an effective, responsible way. One of the basic tenets of our party is a commitment to fiscal responsibility in government. We are prepared to adapt and amend our programs and policies to meet the changing demands of changing times, but this cardinal element of our political philosophy remains and will always remain -- unchanged.

Another of our party's most fundamental commitments is to a vigorous and prosperous free enterprise system in America.

The American farmer does much more than feed and help clothe America. He does the same for much of the world. And he does still more: he contributes very substantially to a strong national economy and to a sound American dollar here and abroad.

The American farmer is one of this Nation's most important assets. He is one of the most important links in a successful and prosperous free enterprise system. He is one of the American consumer's very best friends, and this Administration intends to help the American farmer in every appropriate way.

We take that responsibility seriously. But as a Republican Administration, we take just as seriously our responsibility to keep the Federal Government out of those areas where its influence and involvement do not belong.

This responsibility involves two other fundamental principles of our party. First, we believe in local control over local concerns. We will do everything we can to encourage it.

Second, we believe that there are limits on the things Government at any level can and should do.

These are important principles. And we must continue to translate those principles into policies and effective programs that will serve the

That effort requires a strong Republican Party, strong Republican leadership, and effective Republican representation at every level of Government.

You have helped, in a very generous way, to make these efforts possible in the past. I know you will continue to do so in the future.

I have come here to say "thank you." And I have enjoyed very much our association here today.

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TO: THE PRESIDENT
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CAPITAL CLUB RECEPTION

KANSAS CITY, KANSAS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1975

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FIRST, LET ME CONGRATULATE THE REPUBLICAN PARTIES
OF KANSAS AND MISSOURI FOR YOUR SUCCESS IN WORKING TOGETHER
TO BRING THE NATIONAL CONVENTION TO KANSAS CITY NEXT AUGUST.
AND SINCE GOVERNOR BOB BENNETT AND I HAVE WORKED VERY CLOSELY
TOGETHER IN THE PAST, TONIGHT I'M GOING TO MAKE HIM AN OFFER
HE CAN'T REFUSE:

I'LL GET HIM A BEDSPREAD FOR THE GOVERNOR'S MANSION --

IF HE GETS ME A ROOM FOR THE CONVENTION!

A GREAT CONVENTION IN KANSAS CITY AND A GREAT ELECTION

YEAR ARE IN STORE FOR THE REPUBLICAN PARTY IN 1976. THE STATE

OF KANSAS WILL BE RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF ALL OF IT, JUST AS YOU'RE

IN THE MIDDLE OF AMERICA ITSELF.



THE HISTORY OF KANSAS IS RICH WITH PEOPLE AND POLICIES
WHICH HELPED SHAPE AMERICA'S PAST AND GUIDE HER PROGRESS.

SUCH MEN AS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER AND WILLIAM ALLEN
WHITE HAVE LOOMED AS GIANTS OF THEIR TIME. AND NONE HAS STOOD
TALLER, NOR CAST A LARGER SHADOW, THAN MY DEAR FRIEND
ALF. LANDON.

ALF CELEBRATED HIS 88TH BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK,
AND I'M HAPPY TO SEE HE'S STILL GOING STRONG.

TODAY, THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS ARE FORTUNATE TO HAVE LEADERS LIKE GOVERNOR BOB BENNETT, SENATORS JIM PEARSON AND BOB DOLE, CONGRESSMEN LARRY WINN, KEITH SEBELIUS OF THE "BIG FIRST," GARNER SHRIVER AND JOE SKUBITZ.

EACH OF THESE MEN, IN HIS OWN WAY AND WITH HIS OWN SPECIAL AREAS OF INTEREST, INVOLVEMENT AND EXPERTISE, HAS ENHANCED THE DISTINGUISHED TRADITION OF PUBLIC SERVICE WHICH OTHER KANSANS DID SO MUCH TO BUILD.

YOU CAN BE PROUD OF THESE MEN, AND PROUD OF THAT
TRADITION. THE REPUBLICAN PARTY HAS BEEN A MAJOR FORCE IN
THIS STATE AND THROUGHOUT MUCH OF ITS HISTORY. I AM CONFIDENT
YOU WILL BE A MAJOR POSITIVE FORCE IN SHAPING KANSAS' FUTURE.

FOR THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE, THE ELECTIONS OF 1976 REPRESENT
A MAJOR CHALLENGE AND A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR PARTY.

1976 WILL BE A BUSY YEAR, TO SAY THE LEAST. I'VE
LOST COUNT OF ALL THOSE RUNNING FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL
NOMINATION -- OR WILLING TO ACCEPT A DRAFT.



BOB DOLE ONCE SUGGESTED THAT THE SENATE ESTABLISH A

PERIODIC "PRESIDENTIAL HOUR" TO PROVIDE A FORUM FOR FOUR GROUPS
OF SENATORS.

"FIRST, THOSE SENATORS WHO THINK THEY ARE PRESIDENT;

SECOND, THOSE SENATORS WHO THINK THEY SHOULD HAVE BEEN

PRESIDENT; THIRD, THOSE SENATORS WHO THINK THEY WANT TO BE

PRESIDENT; AND FOURTH, THOSE SENATORS WILLING TO SETTLE FOR BEING

VICE PRESIDENT."

WELL, AN HOUR MAY NOT BE ENOUGH TIME TO EVEN MENTION

ALL THEIR NAMES, MUCH LESS LISTEN TO THEM ALL, BUT BOB IS ON THE
RIGHT TRACK.

AND WE'RE ON THE RIGHT TRACK TOWARD REPUBLICAN

VICTORIES IN 1976. I'VE VISITED A GOOD NUMBER OF STATES IN THE
LAST SEVERAL WEEKS.

WHEREVER I'VE GONE I'VE SEEN THE SAME HIGH LEVEL OF ENTHUSIASM
AND OPTIMISM THAT IS SO MUCH IN EVIDENCE HERE.

THERE'S GOOD REASON FOR THIS ENTHUSIASM AND OPTIMISM.

Our position on the great

~~WE HAVE A SET OF ISSUES THAT WILL APPEAL VERY STRONGLY TO THE~~

MAJORITY OF AMERICANS.

WE HAVE ARTICULATE, EFFECTIVE CANDIDATES WHO CAN
TAKE THAT APPEAL TO THE PEOPLE.

WE HAVE ENERGETIC, COMMITTED PARTY WORKERS WHO
ARE READY TO WORK AND READY TO WIN.

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AND THANKS TO PEOPLE LIKE YOU, WE'LL HAVE ENOUGH
MONEY TO WAGE GREAT CAMPAIGNS HERE IN KANSAS AND ALL ACROSS
AMERICA.

ALL WE NEED NOW ARE THE VOTES AND THE VICTORIES,
AND I'M CONFIDENT WE'LL WIN THEM ON NOVEMBER 2, 1976.

IN 1976, AS WE ENTER OUR THIRD CENTURY OF
INDEPENDENCE, AMERICA'S GREATEST CALLING IS TO ENHANCE THE
QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ITS CITIZENS, TO GRANT A FULLER MEASURE
OF INDEPENDENCE TO THE CITIZENS THEMSELVES.

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY BELIEVES TODAY, AS WE HAVE
ALWAYS BELIEVED, THAT THERE IS A GREAT STORE OF ENERGY AND
TALENT AND DEVOTION WITHIN THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, WAITING TO
BE PUT TO THE NATION'S USE.

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WE KNOW THAT GOVERNMENT ALONE CANNOT SOLVE

AMERICA'S PROBLEMS. BUT WE KNOW, TOO, THAT GOVERNMENT
WORKING WITH THE PEOPLE -- SERVING, BUT NOT DOMINATING
THEM -- CAN BE A GREAT FORCE FOR PROGRESS IN AMERICA.

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IN THE MONTHS AHEAD, WE MUST TAKE THIS MESSAGE
TO ALL THE PEOPLE -- REPUBLICANS, INDEPENDENTS AND DEMOCRATS.
WE MUST SHOW THEM THAT REPUBLICAN VICTORIES ARE FOR EVERY
AMERICAN. IF WE WILL ONLY PULL TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE THE
FUTURE BRIGHT WITH HOPE AND PROMISE AND FULFILLMENT FOR OUR
NATION AND FOR OUR PEOPLE.



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TO: THE PRESIDENT
VIA: ROBERT HARTMANN
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September 10, 1975

REMARKS FOR KANSAS CITY GOP FUNDRAISER (DINNER), KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1975

It is a great pleasure to be here in Kansas City, the home of next year's Republican National Convention. I know it isn't easy playing host to a national convention. I know you're going to have some problems.

But I also know you're going to solve them. In fact, one of your committee members just reassured me there would be more than enough hotel rooms

available -- because delegates could always stay in a town whose name

has just been changed to Kansas City East. I said, "That's a great name --

Kansas City East. What was it before it was changed?" He said,

"St. Louis!"

As you all know, there were a number of cities in contention for the honor of 1976 Convention City. Each of them had its unique attractions. But I commend the National Committee for its excellent choice of Kansas City. I look forward to coming back next year.

In fact, I always look forward to visiting Missouri, the home state of the man from Independence, Harry Truman, for whom I hold high regard.

But as much as I respected President Truman, I am happy to see a bright new generation of leaders springing up in this State. I am especially pleased that these attractive new leaders are Republicans, instead of Democrats.

Kit Bond, for example, has done a magnificent job as your Governor since his election in 1972. He's also a great asset for the Republican Party -- and we'll hear a lot more about him in the years ahead. Kit's "Jobs for Missourians" program and his many other innovative, forward-looking programs have provided this state with better government and have helped make him a public servant of the first rank.

That ranking applies, too, to your outstanding Attorney General, Jack Danforth; to Gene Taylor, your very hard-working, capable representative from your Seventh Congressional District; and to a man

with the best nickname I've heard in years, Lieutenant Governor

"Full-time" Phelps.

These men, together with an excellent team of Republican
state legislators, are giving this state the kind of leadership, the kind
of representation, the kind of government you want -- fiscally responsible,
forward looking, responsive -- in the best tradition of the Republican
Party.

By coming here today, you have made a generous and significant
contribution to your party's election prospects next year. ~~For it is vitally~~
important that we re-elect good men like Kit Bond, that we pick up
additional seats in the state legislature and in your congressional
delegation. And I want to see a Missouri Republican in the United States
Senate in 1976.

This great State has often been called a microcosm
of America: an America in miniature.

An editorial in a St. Louis newspaper several years ago said - -
and I quote: "Missouri is more than a heartland. The heart is also the
whole. Missouri is all America in one place. It is the states of the
Union joined together, superimposed on one another, fused into a
composite of many outlooks and moods and experiences and ways of
thinking and speaking and doing things."

That's an excellent description of Missouri. It's also a good
description of the Republican Party today.

Our party is rich in diversity. Within our party's ranks are
men and women of almost every political stripe: conservative, liberal
and moderate. We have people from every walk of life, people of every
race and of thousands of different backgrounds.

We sometimes differ within our own party about the best way
to deal with individual problems facing the Nation. But I look on these
differences as stimulating because they breed constructive compromise

and lay the groundwork for policies and programs that attract widespread public support.

But even as we disagree on some issues, there are certain basic principles of government to which we are firmly committed -- which unite us as Republicans.

First, we are committed to fiscal responsibility in government.

Repeatedly, ^{the Democratic-controlled} ~~this~~ Congress has sought to push the Federal deficit

higher and higher with its proposed spending bills -- for some good causes, some bad ones -- and for even some lost causes.

~~Since I became President last year, I have used the veto 37~~

~~times to cut down unwarranted and excessive spending of your tax dollars --~~

~~and I may use it a few more times before I'm through.~~ But ^{Republicans are} ~~I~~ am deter-

mined to restore some fiscal responsibility to the Federal government

and curb the problem of ever-present inflation.

Despite how some of the Democrats in the Congress interpret these actions, let me remind you that the veto was put into the Constitution for a specific purpose -- and its use reflects a positive aspect of our tripartite system of Government.

From my 25 years in the Congress and the time I have spent in the White House, I am convinced beyond doubt that the founding fathers put the veto power in the Constitution as a vital part of our system of checks and balances.

Recent history bears this out. President Truman exercised the veto 250 times and was only overridden 12 times. President Eisenhower used it 181 times. He was only overridden twice. But agains and again the result of the initial veto was to bring the President and the Congress together to work out a compromise measure -- usually a sounder, more responsible measure than the original one.

Let me emphasize this: The business of Government is to help, not to interfere with the lives, the businesses, the occupations, the professions, the family life of the American people.

There are times when the President's veto must be used to keep the Federal Government from overextending its operations at the individual's expense -- in terms of such infringements as lost dollars and lost individual rights.

The excessive growth of Federal spending and interference has already inflicted an incredible toll in taxes, loss of incentive and economic damage to the public.

We can't spend more than we earn without endless borrowing.

The borrowing and spending, as I see it, must end -- and end now.

I'm grateful for the help I've been getting in this effort from Members of Congress like Gene Taylor and most other responsible Republicans and even some discerning Democrats.

But fiscal responsibility is only one principle of the Republican Party -- only one distinction of the Republican officeholder.

We also believe in local control over local concerns, in a strong national defense and a strong commitment to peace. We believe in a vigorous and prosperous free enterprise system and in personal freedom for the individual.

These principles are not cast in the rigid mold of conservative or liberal ideology. They reflect a common-sense attitude toward government.

You have made a great start, right here in the "Show Me" State -- showing people that Republican government is good government, that Republican principles are in tune with the needs and aspirations of most Americans.

Let's take that message to the people. Let's show them that a
victory for Republicans is also a victory for them and for the future of
America. And let's share a great victory together on November 2, 1976.

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VIA: ROBERT HARTMANN
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September 9, 1975
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PROPOSED PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS TO THE NATIONAL FEDERATION
OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN, DALLAS, TEXAS, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1975

(ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS)

Thank you, Connie. It's good to be here with such an inspiring group of Federation leaders.

I want to commend you, first of all, Connie, for your outstanding work for the Republican Party over the last 25 years. You have been everywhere and done just about everything. And you have done it well. Under your leadership during the past four years, the Federation has advanced rapidly.

As NFRW President, you have travelled to every State in the Nation, going well over a million miles to counsel and work with your members.

You deserve the highest commendations -- and I want to join in saying to you: "Well done!"



Incidentally, I understand that one of the Dallas papers, commenting on both your fencing and linguistic abilities, reported that you honed your words -- you didn't mince them. How true. As long as I've known you, I've never known you to mince words. You tell it as you see it.

I also want to congratulate Pat Hutar on her election as your successor. Pat, you have a hard act to follow. But I know that when you complete your presidency, you will be able to look back -- as Connie can -- at a remarkable record of achievement. I want you and every Federation member to know, too, that I will do whatever I can to help this great organization of Republican women.

(more)



In looking over the list of delegates to this convention, I was pleased to note that a young woman who was a White House Intern this summer is a member of the Virginia delegation. She's Teresa Garland, and I'm told she's the youngest delegate here. And I also hear Teresa was responsible for all the art work that had to be prepared for this meeting. It's good to know that we have such talented young people coming along as the Federation's leaders of the future.

Since the Federation was founded in 1938, your progress has been an inspiration. As the largest volunteer women's political organization in the world, it can truly be said you are the greatest asset the Republican Party has.

I hope the Democrats never find out the secrets of your success.

(more)



If there is one thing I want to leave

The Republican Party needs you -- the Nation

to help in the 1976 elections. Every Republican

great country needs you.

You here -- and the ^{nearly} half-million other

know how many elections have been won through

You are needed as campaign managers,

chairmen, registration drive chairmen. With

level in the 1976 campaign, Republican

bright as they are. In my travels across

enthusiasm, great spirit and a great desire

of success in politics -- and Republican

One thing I encourage more of

in your own right. Since you are experts

of politics, what better way is there

becoming candidates? I hope there



U. S. Senate and House and some future Governors in this audience today.

The Congress -- particularly the way its divided now -- could benefit

tremendously from some of your straight-thinking Republican views.

But not only the Congress. You have much to contribute to every elective office. Many of you with children know what is best for them as far as education goes. Why not run for the school board and have an influence on that education? You know the problems of your city, county and State. Run for office at the local or State level. No one would do a better job than you Republican women in making government work more efficiently and economically for the benefit of everyone.

Your party organization is wide open to you. Mary Louise Smith has proven that there is no party position that cannot be filled competently and capably by a woman. Nor is there any elective office beyond the reach of a woman. We need more of you in key posts -- both in politics and in government at all levels.

As we look to 1976, I have found good reason to be optimistic about Republican chances in 1976. More than at any time in history, the views and objectives of the Republican Party are shared by the vast majority of Americans.

The great majority of Americans believe as we do: that the free enterprise system made this country great. Left to operate freely with minimal Government interference it will make America even greater. They believe, as we do, that we must have a strong defense -- that the second best defense is no defense at all. They believe, as we do, that local concerns should be handled locally. They believe, as we do, that personal freedom is one of the most precious of individual rights. They believe, as we do, in fiscal responsibility and keeping Federal spending within limits that will not trigger further inflation or impose individual tax burdens that crush incentive.

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Let me talk

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than the standard of living has been improving for the average taxpayer who has had to foot the bill.

In 1955 and even in 1965, these programs were only a modest part of the total Federal budget. But even small numbers become large when compounded at 9 percent per year for 20 years. The trend has to be reversed.

There are some -- and they are sincere -- who feel we can balance the Federal budget by cutting the defense budget. Others, equally sincere, want to switch billions of defense dollars into social programs.

In my opinion both viewpoints are shortsighted.

They ignore the fact that a strong defense is our best insurance policy for peace. They ignore the fact that this Government's most important social obligation is to guarantee the life and freedom of every citizen from the threat of foreign attack and international instability.

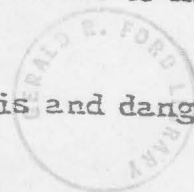
Without peace we could lose the capability we now have of providing both for a strong defense and taking care of essential human needs. We must not lose that capability. We must strike the proper balance in spending for social programs and in spending for national security.

The only way we can realistically reduce defense spending in the future is to do it in concert with our potential adversaries. We cannot -- we will not -- do it unilaterally.

We have made some progress -- not enough in my opinion -- in relaxing tensions in the world. Progress in arms control has been made: There has been the ABM treaty, an interim SALT I agreement and some progress on SALT II, negotiations on Mutual and Balanced Force Reductions in Europe, as well as agreements controlling bacteriological and chemical warfare, and military use of space and the seabeds.

What about detente? Let me tell you what detente means to me.

To me, it means a movement away from the constant crisis and dangerous



confrontation that have characterized our relations with the Soviet Union.

It means working with the Soviet Union on issues directly related to my efforts to produce a more peaceful, stable world. Let me tell you what it does not mean.

It does not mean peace at any price -- only a strong preference for peace.

It does not mean sacrificing fundamental American principles.

It does not mean letting down our guard, dismantling our defense or neglecting our friends.

It does not mean that one side can advocate stability in one part of the world while promoting disruption in another.

Although peace is the primary objective of the United States, let me stress this: freedom comes first. For that reason, I can assure you we will not let down our guard.



The theme of your convention is "We believe." Many of you are wearing buttons that say "I believe."

Let me tell you I believe we are on the right road in our international relations. I believe we are doing the right things to get our economy back on track. I believe America's greatest century lies ahead. As great as our past has been, our future is even brighter.

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TO: THE PRESIDENT

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(Rousek)

September 6, 1975
First Draft

TALKING POINTS FOR GOP FUNDRAISER, DALLAS, TEXAS, SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 13, 1975

1. Thank you all very much. And I especially want to thank

Trammell and Margaret Crow for opening their beautiful home for this event.

2. I don't want to burden you with a speech. But I do want to

the Republican philosophy demands that
assure you that I plan to continue trying to hold down the size of the

Federal budget. We're making good progress on getting our economy in shape. It's not where we would like it yet -- but all the indicators show we're making headway. I may be on the way to setting a record in the number of my vetoes. The wild spenders call these vetoes negative -- but they have been positive, and I'll tell you why.

3. The statistical experts say that my vetoes will save the American

people about \$6 billion by 1977. That's positive. That's helping keep

inflation in check. Another positive aspect of these vetoes has been this:

acceptable legislation. In the first instance, they took my proposal, added all kinds of unnecessary programs, and presented me with a bill that called for more spending than the budget could stand. After my veto was sustained, the Congress responded and came back with a bill along the lines I had recommended -- saving billions of dollars in the process. That's positive.

4. As America enters its third century of freedom, I think this is what our people want -- what I am fighting to give them: fiscal responsibility in the Federal Government, tax and regulatory reform that gives new life and energy to our great free enterprise system, a strong national defense that will keep us number one, local control over local concerns, and -- last but one of the most important -- personal freedom for the individual.

5. The great majority of Americans -- Republicans, Democrats and Independents -- want that. With your help, and thousands of others like you, we'll do everything within our power to give it to them.

(NOTE: Depending upon situation in the Congress, might want to add talking point on energy or substitute one for points 2 and 3 above.)

