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REMARKS BEFORE IOWA DELEGATES

Des Moines, Iowa

June 18, 1976

I KNOW HOW MUCH

THE PRESIDENT WANTED TO BE HERE,

BUT HE COULD NOT LEAVE WASHINGTON

BECAUSE OF THE SITUATION IN LEBANON.

I AM DELIGHTED I COULD COME TO IOWA
BECAUSE I BELIEVE SO MUCH IN HIM
AND IN WHAT HE IS DOING FOR OUR COUNTRY.

*And we are a team
So when he couldn't come
I asked to come —
As his wife I'm proud to represent him*

Country 22 months ago Chaos
--- RESTORED DECENCY AND HONESTY
Completely up level

TO THE WHITE HOUSE *(The one most important
people needed...)*

--- TURNED THE ECONOMY AROUND

--- LED A NATION INTO PEACE FOR THE

FIRST TIME IN MANY YEARS

"WE ARE AT PEACE WITH OUR NEIGHBORS
AND AT LONG LAST WITH OURSELVES . . .
BECAUSE OF JERRY FORD'S LEADERSHIP,
AND THERE IS SO MUCH MORE HE CAN DO."

*When things are going so well
don't make a change
Keep the President in the White House
to continue his job*

*** / RESTORED DECENCY AND HONESTY TO THE WHITE HOUSE

*** TURNED THE ECONOMY AROUND

*** LED A NATION ^{into} ~~AT~~ PEACE FOR THE ~~RXXXXX~~ FIRST TIME IN
MANY YEARS

"WE ARE AT PEACE WITH OUR NEIGHBORS AND AT LONG LAST
WITH OURSELVES...BECAUSE OF JERRY FORD'S LEADERSHIP.
AND THERE IS SO MUCH MORE HE CAN DO."

Opening delegate remarks

I know how much the President wanted to be ~~wishy-washy~~
here. But since he had to be in Washington because of
the situation in Lebanon, I'm delighted I could come to
Iowa. I believe so much in what he is doing---and will
do for our country.