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LAKWOOD REPUBLICAN DINNER, OCTOBER 21, 1976

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JERRY FORD AND ALL THESE CANDIDATES  
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TO GET VOTERS TO THE POLLS.

THE PRESIDENT HAS MADE US PROUD AGAIN ---  
OF OUR GOVERNMENT AND OF OURSELVES.  
AMERICA IS AT PEACE  
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IS FIGHTING OR DYING  
ANYWHERE ON THE FACE  
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OUR ECONOMY HAS IMPROVED,  
WITH YOUR HELP,  
WE CAN KEEP HIM ON THE JOB  
AND BEGIN OUR THIRD CENTURY  
WITH A REPUBLICAN PRESIDENT.

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## Lakewood, Ohio Politics

Lakewood, an upper middle class suburb of Cleveland along Lake Erie, is located in Ohio's 23rd District. Republican William Minshall represented this district for 20 years. When he retired in 1974, Democrat Ronald Mottl won the seat.

The GOP candidate is Michael Scanlon, 57, an attorney with no previous political experience except precinct chairman. Scanlon, who attended Cleveland-Marshall Law School and Notre Dame, is married and has four children. He was in the Air Corps during World War II.

The RCC is very pessimistic about his chances.

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I want to talk about another candidate on your ballot in Lakewood---Jerry Ford.

Most of you know how hard he has worked through the years for the Republican party. It's very important for him to have good GOP candidates elected to both Houses and to have state and local officials responsive to his philosophy and leadership.

I know that you have a very fine organization here, but all political work really comes down to one day---election day. Jerry Ford and all these candidates need your help to get voters to the polls.

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