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REMARKS OF VICE PRESIDENT GERALD R. FORD

SPEAKING NOTES

RALLY FOR CONGRESSWOMAN MARJORIE HOLT

6 P.M. (Approx.) Friday, April 26, 1974, Marlboro, Md.



(Note: Congresswoman Holt depends on votes of Democrats to win , prefers VP not to attack Democrats but to assert Holt's achievements as outstanding individual legislator . Most of her support is conservative . She prefers broad bi-partisan appeal on basis of her record . Highpoints:)

Holt is member of Select Subcommittee on Middle East of Armed Services. She went to Egypt with subcommittee last November, a few weeks after outbreak of October war . Egyptian authorities said her group laid groundwork for improved relations, resumption of diplomatic ties, more understanding. Secretary Kissinger praised Holt , said subcommittee conducted <sup>T</sup>itself exceptionally, contributed to U.S. diplomatic achievements , disengagement .

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Holt strongly supports defense to deter aggression

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Holt in forefront of fight to move discharge petition seeking Constitutional Amendment (to prohibit busing for racial balance ) out of Committee to floor . Assisted in passage of two amendments to prohibit forced busing of school children .

She was during the  
of others - Birth day notes  
etc. The fact she had so many  
friends was very helpful in the just  
close to Congress.

She never missed a sport game in which  
I played - both HS & college.

Had scarlet fever when I was 5  
& she nursed me back to health. That was the  
sickness I've ever feared.

She was very outspoken - had her own  
views & didn't hesitate to express them.

1960 - when there was an effort to get me on  
the Presidential in '62 spot, she thought that was  
terrible. Said it would be nothing but headaches to be  
VP.

In '51 - mother & dad in Fla. in Jan Feb. & GRR  
invited Sen. Nixon to L.R. to make a sp. That night  
Nixon stayed together in the third home. The house had  
a antique bed in which he slept. When he  
was elected VP mother & dad hung a sign above the  
bed read - "The VP Slept here."

Holt strong for fiscal responsibility , led fight to bring  
budget reform to floor . Co-sponsored early budget reform bill .  
She favors flow of power back to people , revenue sharing concept .  
She favors strong voice of local people in their own affairs .

She was a good believer in Jan  
Planks - Xmas & N.Y. dinner -  
put on big turkey dinner at 3  
o'clock -

was a wonderful baker of angel food cake - 27  
N.Y. choc. frost. gum wa. sav.  
loaves to make for fudge & caramels

was a very active person - active in Episc.  
Church - in garden club - D.A.R. women's  
city club - clubs of all kinds

Tip - she dropped dead in church on Sunday  
- died while sitting in the pew - Sept '68 or '69 -  
73 or 74 yrs old

We went over the date for the  
next mo. that every room looked up - Was an  
extroverted - a gregarious woman.

She ~~was~~ very did not drink or smoke - & was  
consistent - as long as she could - The other son never  
did - (and started smoking pipe while at sea in  
Navy dur. WW2.

She set a very high ethical tone - high  
moral tone.

What ever energy I have I got from my  
mother.

When she was ill - (has a no. of ser. illnesses -  
diabetes, high blood pressure - ~~did not~~ did not let the illness  
affect her cheerfulness -