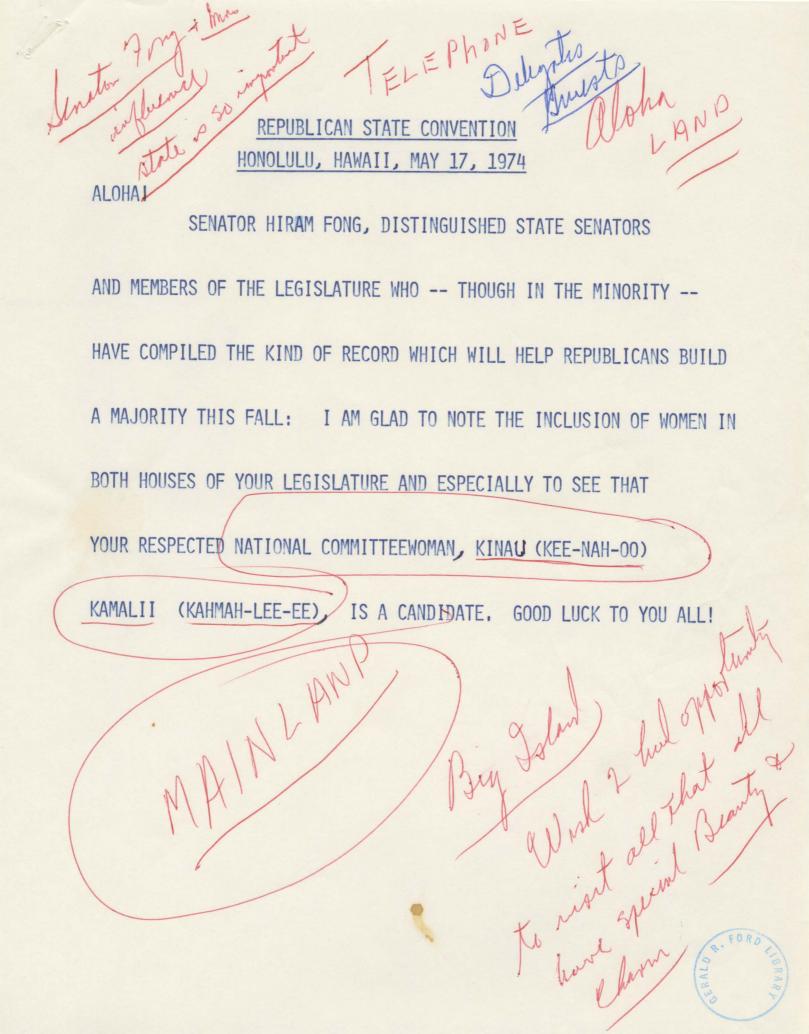
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IT IS A SPIRIT THAT UNDERSTANDS THE PROBLEM AND REACHES FOR THE SOLUTION IMMEDIATELY. IT GOES BEYOND THE <u>HAWAIIAN</u> ALOHA FOR IT IS THE REAL SPIRIT OF AMERICA. I AM MOST GRATEFUL FOR YOUR PRESENCE AND FOR THE CONTRIBUTIONS YOU WILL EACH BE MAKING TOWARDS VICTORY.

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BUT WE CANNOT LET THE DEMOCRATS USE THIS NATIONAL TRAGEDY TO HIDE THEIR BROKEN PROMISES AND AVOID THE VERY REAL AND PRESSING PROBLEMS THAT FACE OUR NATION TODAY.

LET US RESOLVE HERE TODAY THAT OUR POLITICAL RIVALS ARE NOT GOING TO GET AWAY WITH LETTING AN UNRESPONSIVE CONGRESS AVOID THE REAL ISSUES OF INFLATION, LACK OF ENERGY, AND THE ECONOMY.



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MANY OF THE PROPHETS OF GLOOM AND DOOM HAVE SEIZED UPON AMERICA'S PRESENT DOMESTIC DIFFICULTIES AS EVIDENCE THAT THE END OF AMERICA AND ITS TWO-PARTY SYSTEM IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER. NOTHING COULD BE FARTHER FROM THE TRUTH. I BELIEVE THAT THE SAME CHARACTER THAT BUILT THIS GREAT COUNTRY, THE SAME CHARACTER THAT HAS PERMITTED PEOPLE HERE IN HAWAII, FROM SO MANY VARIED BACKGROUNDS, TO PRIDEFULLY LIVE AND WORK TOGETHER, WILL CARRY US OUT OF THESE TROUBLED TIMES INTO A NEW ERA OF PEACE AND PROSPERITY. SOME CYNICS LABEL IT OLD-FASHIONED, BUT I AM PROUD TO DECLARE THAT I BELIEVE IN AMERICA AND IN AMERICAN IDEALS, AND I BELIEVE IN YOU AND YOUR CAPACITY TO GOVERN.



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THE PEOPLE HAVE A RIGHT TO DEMAND THIS SERVICE FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT BECAUSE THE GOVERNMENT IS THEIR SERVANT, NOT THEIR MASTER.

NEW FEDERALISM MEANS POWER AT HOME, INSTEAD OF POWER ON THE POTOMAC. THIS IS CONSISTENT WITH THE NATIONAL DESIRE TO RENEW OUR COMMUNITIES, TO REDEEM AMERICA, TO RESTORE THE QUALITY OF AMERICAN LIFE. IT IS A SOLID BASE FROM WHICH TO CAMPAIGN. A REPUBLICAN PRESIDENT -- RICHARD NIXON -- EXTRICATED US FROM THE WAR IN VIETNAM. A REPUBLICAN PRESIDENT ACHIEVED A CEASE FIRE AND LIBERATED OUR BRAVE AMERICAN FIGHTING MEN WHO SUFFERED SO LONG AS PRISONERS OF WAR. A REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATION IS MOVING FORWARD TOWARD NEW AND PEACEFUL RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

BY A MASTERPIECE OF DIPLOMACY, WE SEPARATED THE ARMIES OF EGYPT AND ISRAEL, AVERTING A CATASTROPHE THAT COULD HAVE INFLAMED hopefully THE WHOLE WORLD. WE ARE NOW USING OUR GOOD OFFICES TO BRING ABOUT A DISENGAGEMENT OF SYRMAN AND ISRAELI FORCES.

JUST AS WE HAVE PROGRESSED IN OUR DEALINGS WITH OTHER NATIONS, WE WILL MAINTAIN ECONOMIC GROWTH WHILE WINDING DOWN INFLATION. WE WILL SURMOUNT THE SHORT-TERM IMPACT OF THE ENERGY CRISIS AND ACHIEVE SELF-SUFFICIENCY FOR OUR LONG-TIME NEEDS.

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THIS YEAR'S SPECIAL ELECTIONS SHOULD ALERT REPUBLICANS THAT THIS WILL BE A DIFFICULT AND TRYING YEAR. WE LOST MOST OF THOSE ELECTIONS BECAUSE MANY REPUBLICANS GAVE UP -- BECAUSE MANY REPUBLICANS DIDN'T WORK, DIDN'T CONTRIBUTE, AND DIDN'T VOTE. THIS IS THE YEAR TO DO MORE, NOT LESS. YOU HAVE EXCELLENT CANDIDATES HERE IN HAWAII WHO CAN WIN -- BUT THEY CAN ONLY WIN WITH YOUR HELP. FAILURE TO ACT WOULD BE A DISSERVICE NOT ONLY TO THE REPUBLICAN PARTY BUT TO HAWAII AND THE OTHER 49 STATES.

NEARLY 100 YEARS AGO, ABRAHAM LINCOLN SAID:

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HOW WELL THAT DEFINES OUR TASK TODAY! YOUR HELP IS ESSENTIAL. IT IS TIME TO GO TO WORK.

MA-HA-LO! (MEANS THANK YOU) AND ALOHA!







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May 14, 1974

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

IN REPLY REFER TO:

MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Major Disaster - Flash Floods - Hawaii

Background

On April 18 and 19, 1974, a severe Pacific storm struck the Hawaiian Islands. In a twenty-four hour period, up to 22 inches of rain deluged the islands, with the Islands of Oahu, Kauai, and Maui receiving the heaviest amounts. These heavy rains caused severe flash flooding on the precipitous island streams resulting in widespread damage and property losses, particularly on Oahu and Kauai. Five persons were drowned by the floods and eleven others were injured. Some 80 families, most having low incomes, suffered personal property loss. Four homes were completely destroyed and 64 others received damage. A total of 22 businesses, mainly on Oahu, were also damaged. Private and personal property damage from these floods is estimated at about \$2.7 million. Damage to State and County public facilities was relatively light amounting to an estimated \$117 thousand. In addition, Federal facilities at Ft. Shafter were damaged to the extent of \$299 thousand and Federal Aid System roads and bridges received \$231 thousand in damage.

Federal Assistance

On April 25, 1974, Acting Governor George R. Ariyoshi requested the President to declare a major disaster in the State under the provisions of Public Law 606, 91st Congress. Federal agency surveys of the damage confirmed that the extent and severity of the incident did in fact constitute a major disaster and on May 7, 1974, on the recommendation of Secretary Lynn, the President declared a major disaster for the State of Hawaii. On the same date, I designated the Counties of Honolulu and Kauai as areas eligible for Federal assistance under the law and appointed Mr. Robert C. Stevens, Director, FDAA Region 9, as the Federal Coordinating Officer. On May 8, a team from the FDAA Region 9 office in San Francisco arrived in Honolulu and established coordination with the Governor's representatives.

Current Situation

On May 12 a Disaster Assistance Center was established in Haleiwa on the north shore of Oahu which was the area most severely affected. This Center provides a one-stop location where individuals are counseled and are able to make application for the assistance they need. The Center is staffed with an FDAA Center Manager and representatives from the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Small Business Administration, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Labor, the Internal Revenue Service, Action, the Office of Economic Opportunity, the American Red Cross, and the Young Lawyers Association. As of yesterday, May 13, 35 individuals had been processed through the Center. Two families have been provided temporary housing and 8 more will be housed within the next few days. Less than 30 families are expected to require temporary housing. The Center will remain open at least through May 18 and it is anticipated that some 150 families will be processed. Similar service to the County of Kauai is being provided by a mobile team which arrived on that island yesterday.

The identity of all businesses affected by the flooding has been determined and an individual letter has been delivered to each owner inviting him to attend a special meeting in Honolulu today. The Small Business Administration will conduct this meeting and explain the loan assistance available and the procedures for making application.

The State has indicated that no Federal assistance will be requested for repair and restoration of damaged State or County owned facilities.

There are no significant problems associated with these disaster assistance efforts. Federal assistance is being provided fully and quickly.

Thomas P. Dunne Administrator

FOR RELEASE IN SATURDAY A.M. 'S

ALOHA!

Senator Hiram Fong, distinguished State Senators and members of the legislature who — though in the minority — have compiled the kind of record which will help Republicans build a <u>majority</u> this fall: I am glad to note the inclusion of women in both houses of your legislature and especially to see that your respected National Committeewoman, Kinau Kamalii, is a candidate. Good luck to you all!

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