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MYRIAD CENTER, GOP PUBLIC RALLY
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA
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IT'S A PLEASURE TO BE HERE IN OKLAHOMA AGAIN --

THE HOME OF WILL ROGERS, WHO NEVER MET A MAN HE DIDN'T LIKE --

AND THE HOME OF THE OKLAHOMA UNIVERSITY SOONERS, WHO NEVER

MET A TEAM THEY COULDN'T LICK!

YES, IT'S GOOD TO BE HERE IN SWITZER LAND AGAIN.

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I'M ALSO DELIGHTED TO SEE RON SHOTTS, THAT GREAT

ALL-AMERICAN RUNNING BACK, AS OUR MASTER OF CEREMONIES TODAY.

AS A FORMER LINEMAN, I ALWAYS ENVIED THE BACK FIELD BECAUSE THEY

GOT MOST OF THE GLORY. IN FACT, I WAS ONCE INTRODUCED AT A

D INNER BY AN OLD TEAMMATE OF MINE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN ---

AND I'LL NEVER FORGET HIS INTRODUCTION.

HE SAID: "IT MIGHT INTEREST YOU TO KNOW THAT I PLAYED FOOTBALL WITH JERRY FORD FOR TWO YEARS -- AND IT MADE A LASTING IMPRESSION ON ME. I WAS A QUARTERBACK. JERRY FORD WAS THE CENTER. AND YOU MIGHT SAY, IT GAVE ME A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT VIEW OF THE PRESIDENT!"

LET ME COMMENT TODAY ON VIEWS AND PERCEPTIONS OF THE

COMING ELECTION. I AM CONVINCED THAT A CAMPAIGN CAN COME FROM
BEHIND TO WIN. I AM CONVINCED THAT THIS STATE HAS ENERGY NOT
ONLY IN ITS OILFIELDS, AND ITS FOOTBALL FIELDS BUT ALSO IN THE OPENMINDED SPIRIT OF ITS POPULATION -- INCLUDING DEMOCRATS AND
INDEPENDENTS AS WELL AS REPUBLICANS. OKLAHOMA -- A STATE THAT
HAS PRODUCED A WINNING FOOTBALL TEAM -- IS GOING TO PRODUCE A
WINNING REPUBLICAN TICKET NEXT MONTH.

I HAD THE HONOR TO BE INTRODUCED BY ONE OF THE MOST

INDEPENDENT-MINDED MEN IN THE UNITED STATES SENATE. I REFER TO YOUR

DISTINGUISHED SENATOR, HENRY BELLMON, WHO IS SO HIGHLY REGARDED

IN WASHINGTON. I HAVE HEARD THAT HE IS THE ONLY REAL FARMER IN THE

UNITED STATES SENATE. AND I ALSO KNOW THAT HE CALLS THE SHOTS AS HE

SEES THEM. SOMETIMES THIS MEANS DIFFERING WITH ME ON ISSUES.

BUT I RESPECT HIS INDEPENDENCE OF THOUGHT AND ACTION AS WELL AS HIS

DEDICATION TO HONESTY IN GOVERNMENT.

DECISIONS AND TO BE HIS OWN MAN. I RESPECT HIM FOR THOSE

QUALITIES. HE IS AN EXPERT IN TWO AREAS DIRECTLY RELATED TO OUR

WAR AGAINST INFLATION. HE IS A TOP AUTHORITY ON AGRICULTURE AND

THE EXPANSION OF FOOD PRODUCTION. AND HE IS SOUGHT AFTER FOR HIS

KNOWLEDGE OF OIL AND ENERGY. INDEED, HE IS ENERGETICALLY SEEKING

A VAST NEW NUCLEAR DEVELOPMENT PARK -- THROUGH THE ATOMIC ENERGY

COMMISSION -- NEAR MUSKOGEE (MUS-SKO-GIE).

SENATOR BELLMON IS DEVOTED TO SERVICE TO THE STATE

AND PEOPLE OF OKLAHOMA. AS A TEAM, HE AND SENATOR BARTLETT

REPRESENT OKALHOMA'S BEST INTEREST -- ESPECIALLY IN THE VITAL AREAS

OF FOOD AND ENERGY -- THE STATE'S LEADING INDUSTRIES.

SINCE ALL BUT ONE OF THE OKLAHOMA DELEGATION --

REPRESENTATIVE JOHN N. (HAPPY) CAMP -- ARE DEMOCRATS, A BALANCE
IS PROVIDED BY KEEPING TWO REPUBLICANS IN OKLAHOMA'S SENATE
DELEGATION. BUT HAPPY NEEDS SOME HELP IN THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES. WE HAVE SOME GOOD CANDIDATES ON THE
REPUBLICAN TICKET THIS YEAR.

OKLAHOMA CHEROKEE HERITAGE, IS A FORTHRIGHT, COURAGEOUS MAN.

A FORMER U. S. NAVY PILOT, HE HAS SHOWN BRILLIANCE IN

MANAGEMENT AND BUSINESS. HE HAS ACQUIRED A REPUTATION FOR

INTEGRITY. AND HE HAS ACCUMULATED CONSIDERABLE POLITICAL

EXPERIENCE. YOU NEED GEORGE IN WASHINGTON.

IN THE SECOND DISTRICT, RALPH KEEN IS AN EXCELLENT CANDIDATE. RALPH IS A DISTINGUISHED ATTORNEY. HE SERVED AS GENERAL BUSINESS MANAGER OF THE CHEROKEE NATION OF OKLAHOMA.

HE IS THE KIND OF MAN WHO WILL REPRESENT ALL THE PEOPLE OF OKLAHOMA, REGARDLESS OF POLITICAL LABELS OR BACKGROUND.

YOU NEED RALPH IN WASHINGTON.

IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT, MARVIN (MICKEY) EDWARDS, AN OUTSTANDING NEWSPAPERMAN, IS YOUR CANDIDATE. HE SERVED IN THE NATIONAL LEADERSHIP OF THE YOUNG REPUBLICANS, AS A MEMBER OF THE STATE REPUBLICAN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, AND AS A DELEGATE TO THE 1972 G-O-P NATIONAL CONVENTION.

IN THE SIXTH DISTRICT, I ASK YOU TO RETURN MY GOOD

FRIEND AND FORMER COLLEAGUE "HAPPY" CAMP. HE HAS RENDERED

OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO OKLAHOMA AND THE NATION. IT WOULD

CERTAINLY MAKE ME HAPPY TO SEE "HAPPY" BACK IN THE HOUSE OF

REPRESENTATIVES -- AND MAKE YOU HAPPY, TOO, I AM SURE.

SENATOR JAMES INHOFE, (PRONOUNCED -- EN-HOFF) YOUR CANDIDATE

FOR GOVERNOR. I AM VERY IMPRESSED BY THE GREAT INTEGRITY AND

COMPETENCE DEMONSTRATED BY JIM. HE IS A CANDIDATE WORTHY OF

SUPPORT. OKLAHOMA DESERVES THE FINEST AND MOST DEVOTED AND

HONEST STATE ADMINISTRATOR. JIM INHOFE WILL BE SUCH A GOVERNOR.

THERE ARE MANY OTHER OUTSTANDING REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

FOR STATE AND LOCAL OFFICES.

THIS YEAR, 1974 -- NOT 1976 -- IS THE YEAR OF DECISION

FOR THE SURVIVAL OF THE TWO-PARTY SYSTEM IN THE UNITED STATES.

IT IS A YEAR WHEN WE SEEK TO ENLIST A NEW CONGRESS IN THE WAR

AGAINST INFLATION. IT IS A YEAR IN WHICH I APPEAL TO ALL VOTERS -
DEMOCRATIC, REPUBLICAN, AND INDEPENDENT -- TO ELECT CANDIDATES

WHO FIGHT INFLATION.

I KNOW THAT SENATOR BELLMON HAS A REPUTATION AS BEING

AGAINST WASTEFUL FEDERAL SPENDING, AGAINST A TOP-HEAVY BUREAUCRACY
IN WASHINGTON AND AGAINST LEGISLATIVE DICTATORSHIP BY THOSE WHO
WOULD WRECK THE BUDGET AND WASTE OUR DOLLARS ON FAR-OUT
EXPERIMENTATION. YOU NEED SENATOR BELLMON TO CONTINUE TO MAN
HIS COMMAND POST IN THE COMING ATTACK ON THE NATIONAL TREASURY.

YOU NEED THE OTHER REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES HERE TODAY TO HELP HIM

AND SENATOR BARTLETT AND "HAPPY" CAMP.

WHY DO I CALL FOR THE ELECTION OF MORE FIGHTERS IN THE WAR.

AGAINST INFLATION? IF THE DEMOCRATS GAIN SEVEN SENATE SEATS AND

TWENTY-FIVE OR MORE HOUSE SEATS IN NOVEMBER, THEY WILL MAKE THE

CONGRESS, IN EFFECT, VETO-PROOF. SUCH A CONGRESS, UNRESTRAINED

BY ANY VETO POWERS, COULD RESURRECT THE WILD SPENDING PROGRAMS OF

THE YEARS 1965 AND 1966. IT COULD THREATEN THE INTERNAL BALANCE OF

OUR LEGISLATIVE PROCESSES. THIS WOULD ENDANGER OUR HISTORIC

HERITAGE OF CHECKS AND BALANCES.

I BELIEVE IN THE TWO-PARTY SYSTEM. I AM CONCERNED

BECAUSE THIS SYSTEM FACES THE GREATEST THREAT IN OUR LIFETIME.

AND I ASK ALL VOTERS -- DEMOCRATIC AND INDEPENDENTS AS WELL AS

REPUBLICANS -- TO THINK AS INFLATION FIGHTERS AND NOT ALONG PARTY

LINES.

The Last 20 year in a row have been in their for 38 OF THE LAST 42 YEARS. FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY HAS BEEN with.

HONORED IN WORDS BUT NOT IN VOTES.

PANDORA'S BOX OF INFLATION HAS BEEN OPENED.

TODAY'S CONGRESS IS STACKED AGAINST FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY.

FOR 19 OF THE 25 YEARS I SERVED IN THE HOUSE, WE ENDED UP WITH BUDGET

DEFICITS. 23 Jthe 25 years The Dimeento introlled the Congress.

IF THIS HEAVY SPENDING MAJORITY IS SUBSTANTIALLY

INCREASED IN THE 94TH CONGRESS, THE TWO PARTY SYSTEM WILL BE IN

JEOPARDY. WE MUST AVERT SUCH A LEGISLATIVE DICTATORSHIP.

WE MUST ELECT AN INFLATION-PROOF CONGRESS -- NOT A VETO-PROOF

CONGRESS. WE MUST ELECT A CONGRESS THAT RESPECTS THE TRADITION

AND THE COMMON SENSE OF CHECKS AND BALANCES.

A VETO-PROOF CONGRESS NEXT JANUARY COULD LITERALLY RUN

THE COUNTRY THROUGH A LOPSIDED POWER OVER LEGISLATION AND

SPENDING. IT COULD MEAN A CONGRESS SO DEFICIENT, IN INTERNAL

BALANCE THROUGH A HUGH INFLUX OF FRESHMEN DEMOCRATS THAT A

MANDATE WILL BE SEEN FOR A NEW WAVE OF INFLATIONARY SPENDING.

THINK BACK TO WHAT HAPPENED IN 1964. THE DEMOCRATS

38

GAINED 46 HOUSE SEATS -- GIVING THEM A TOTAL OF 295 AGAINST 140

REPUBLICANS. FOR TWO YEARS, UNSOUND LEGISLATION WAS PUSHED

THROUGH CONGRESS BY A VIGOROUS PRESIDENT AND A RUBBER-STAMP

HOUSE AND SENATE. INTEREST RATES BEGAN TO CLIMB. THE VALUE

OF THE DOLLAR BEGAN TO DECLINE. WE HAVE BEEN TRYING EVER SINCE TO

REPAIR THE DAMAGE.

WE RECOVERED SOME GROUND IN 1966. THERE WAS A NET

GAIN OF 47 REPUBLICANS IN THE HOUSE. TO THE EXTENT THAT THIS

RIGHTED THE IMBALANCE, WE PREVENTED LEGISLATION THAT COULD HAVE

BEEN EVEN LESS DESIRABLE.

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY IS RESILIENT AND STRONG BECAUSE

ITS SOUND PRINCIPLES SPRING FROM THE TRADITION THAT BUILT AMERICA.

WE HAVE GOOD PEOPLE. AND THE ABILITY TO COME BACK FIGHTING.

LET US BEGIN BY RALLYING AROUND THE OUTSTANDING.

CANDIDATES WITH US TODAY IN OKLAHOMA AND BY EXPLAINING THE TRUE

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN INFLATION FIGHTERS AND INFLATIONARY SPENDERS.

A VETO-PROOF CONGRESS COULD SQUELCH VITAL LEGISLATION --

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INCLUDING MEASURES I HAVE RECOMMENDED TO INCREASE OUR ENERGY

POTENTIAL AND ANTI-INFLATIONARY PROGRAM.

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SUCH A CONGRESS WOULD UNDERMINE THE PHILOSOPHY OF

REVENUE SHARING WHICH GIVES LOCAL PEOPLE MORE SAY IN THE USE OF

THEIR DOLLARS. IT WOULD MEAN A FLOW OF POWER AWAY FROM LOCAL

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COMMUNITIES, AND TOWARD A CREATER CONCENTRATION OF POWER ON THE

POTOMAC.

OUR NATIONAL ECONOMY THROUGH FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY. LET US

STOP INFLATION. LET US RESTORE THE VALUE OF THE AMERICAN DOLLAR

AND THE QUALITY OF AMERICAN LIFE. AND LET US START THAT DRIVE

HERE TODAY IN OKLAHOMA.

I DO NOT AGREE WITH THOSE WHO PEDDLE DESPAIR AND

DEFEAT. I AM PROUD TO BE A REPUBLICAN. BUT THAT IS NOT TO SAY

THAT REPUBLICANS ARE PERFECT. WE MUST CORRECT WHAT IS WRONG,

STRENGTHEN WHAT IS RIGHT, AND MOVE FORWARD RATHER THAN BACKWARD.

THIS WILL FACILITATE THE PROGRAMS ESSENTIAL TO SOLVE FEDERAL, STATE,

AND LOCAL PROBLEMS IN THE AMERICAN WAY.

AMERICAN FREE ENTERPRISE AND INDIVIDUAL INCENTIVE

HAVE MADE THE UNITED STATES THE GREATEST NATION ON EARTH.

NEVER FORGET THE REPUBLICAN COMPONENT OF AMERICAN GREATNESS.

REPUBLICANS HAVE MADE GREAT PROGRESS TOWARD AN ERA

OF PEACE ABROAD. WE WILL NOW MOVE TO REDUCE FEDERAL CONTROL

WHILE WHIPPING INFLATION. WE WILL OPEN A NEW ERA OF ACHIEVEMENT

IN STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. THE BODY POLITIC AND THE ECONOMIC

RESOURCES OF AMERICA ARE HEALTHY. AMERICA HAS THE STRENGTH

TO HEAL ITSELF AND TO FIND NEW VIGOR AND ENERGY.

WE ARE ENTERING THE FINAL STRETCH OF THE 1974 CAMPAIGN

CONVINCED THAT WE HAVE THE BEST CANDIDATES AND THE BEST POLICIES.

I AM NOT DOWNHEARTED OVER THE FATE OF THE REPUBLICAN

PARTY -- OR THE FATE OF AMERICA. ARE YOU? Not love.

ADVERSITY SHARPENS OUR RESOLVE. LET OTHERS BELIEVE

IN US BECAUSE WE HAVE FOUND NEW FAITH IN OURSELVES.

LET THE REPUBLICAN VICTORY MARCH OF 1974 BEGIN IN

OKLAHOMA. LET THE WINDS OF OKLAHOMA SWEEP INFLATIONARY

SPENDERS OUT OF CONGRESS AND GOOD CANDIDATES IN.

THANK YOU

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