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PORTLAND, OREGON AUCTION  
FOR OREGON MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1974

THANK YOU, BOB, NOT ONLY FOR THE FINE INTRODUCTION  
BUT ALSO FOR LETTING ME KNOW ABOUT THIS FINE EVENT AND FOR  
GETTING ME HERE.

YOU KNOW, I FEEL VERY AT HOME HERE IN PORTLAND.

OUR WHITE HOUSE PHOTOGRAPHER, DAVE KENNERLY, COMES FROM  
PORTLAND AND HE KEEPS MY UP-TO-DATE ON EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENS  
HERE. DAVE, STAND UP AND TAKE A BOW.

AS YOU ALL MUST KNOW BY NOW, DAVE KENNERLY IS  
WASHINGTON'S NUMBER ONE ELIGIBLE BACHELOR. SO AFTER THIS  
TALK, FOR THE MEN, WE'RE GOING TO AUCTION OFF A SET OF PRESIDENTIAL  
CUFFLINKS. FOR THE KIDS, WE'RE GOING TO AUCTION OFF TWO  
AUTOGRAPHED FOOTBALLS. AND FOR THE GIRLS, WE'RE GOING TO  
AUCTION OFF DAVE KENNERLY!

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I'M VERY PLEASED

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, ~~WHEN I LEARNED ABOUT~~  
TO BE HERE AT

OMSI (Pronounced OMzee), ~~I WAS FILLED WITH A HAPPY MIXTURE OF~~

TONIGHT.

~~EMOTIONS THAT INCLUDED AT THE VERY LEAST A SENSE OF AWE, A SENSE~~

~~OF PRIDE, A SENSE OF WARMTH AND A SENSE OF HOPE.~~

~~OMSI AND WHAT IT REPRESENTS CERTAINLY WARRANTS ALL~~

~~OF THOSE EMOTIONS. IT IS SO UNIQUELY AMERICAN. IT REPRESENTS~~

~~SO MANY OF THE THINGS THAT ARE GOOD ABOUT AMERICA.~~

SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY, ~~FOR EXAMPLE~~ ARE CERTAINLY TWO  
AREAS IN WHICH WE EXCEL IN OUR NATION. IT IS ONLY FITTING THAT  
OMSI SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED WORLD-WIDE AS ONE OF THE FINEST MUSEUMS  
OF SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY IN THE WORLD. WE AMERICANS HAVE ALWAYS  
BEEN A STUBBORNLY INDEPENDENT LOT, SO IT IS CHARACTERISTICALLY  
AMERICAN THAT THIS <sup>FINE</sup> INSTITUTION WAS CREATED BY THE PEOPLE --  
AND IT NEITHER ASKS FOR NOR ACCEPTS TAX MONIES. INSTEAD, IT  
SUPPORTS ITSELF WITH FUNCTIONS LIKE THIS ONE PLUS OTHER DONATIONS  
FROM THE PEOPLE, WITH NO HELP FROM GOVERNMENT.

IT IS TRULY AN INSTITUTION OF THE PEOPLE. WHEN YOU  
STARTED ALL THIS, I AM TOLD IT WAS A LOT LIKE A GOOD OLD-FASHIONED  
BARN RAISING -- AND YOU ARE KEEPING IT GOING IN JUST THE SAME WAY.

ALTHOUGH I WOULD NOT SUGGEST SERIOUSLY THAT WE  
MOVE THIS PROJECT TO WASHINGTON, I THINK MEMBERS OF CONGRESS  
COULD BENEFIT BY A VISIT HERE. AS WELL AS A LOT OF OTHER PEOPLE IN AND  
OUT OF GOVERNMENT.

THEY TELL ME THAT THE DAY WE LANDED A MAN ON THE MOON,  
YOU ALREADY WERE TEACHING A COURSE HERE ON MOON TOPOGRAPHY.  
I MADE A SPEECH JUST A FEW WEEKS AGO ABOUT EXPLORING NEW SOURCES  
OF ENERGY, AND I FIND HERE THAT YOU ALREADY HAVE ON EXHIBIT WORKING  
MODELS OF JUST ABOUT ALL OF THESE NEW ALTERNATE SOURCES OF ENERGY.

I AM ALSO INTERESTED IN YOUR LATEST DEVELOPMENT  
HERE, WITH THE COOPERATION OF THE U. S. BUREAU OF STANDARDS,  
OF AN EXHIBIT OF HOW THE METRIC SYSTEM WORKS. I UNDERSTAND  
IT IS SCHEDULED SUBSEQUENTLY TO TRAVEL ALL OVER THE COUNTRY.

SOMETIMES WE THINK OF MUSEUMS AS OLD, DUSTY  
PLACES -- REMNANTS OF A DEAD PAST. BUT OMSI IS AN EXAMPLE  
OF HOW ALIVE, HOW USEFUL AND HOW EXCITING A GREAT MUSEUM  
CAN BE.

TO ME, IT IS ALSO A SYMBOL OF OREGON -- A GREAT  
STATE WITH A PROUD HISTORY BUT AN EVEN MORE PROMISING FUTURE.

I APPRECIATE THE INVITATION TO COME HERE.

I APPRECIATE BOB PACKWOOD'S KIND WORDS AND YOUR WARM  
RECEPTION.

THANK YOU.

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