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THIS PRESIDENT HAS SEEN. *df*

TESTIMONIAL FOR
CONGRESSMAN SAM DEVINE

FEBRUARY 14, 1975

HI THERE, SAM. THIS IS JERRY FORD.

I AM DELIGHTED TO HAVE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN WITH YOU AND THE PEOPLE OF DELAWARE COUNTY IN THIS TRIBUTE TO OUR FIRST REPUBLICAN PRESIDENT.

LIKE ABRAHAM LINCOLN, SAM DEVINE EXEMPLIFIES THE QUALITIES WE MUST HAVE IN OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS -- HONESTY, ABILITY, AND DEDICATION. HE IS ONE OF THE MOST HARD-WORKING MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS AND I CONSIDER IT AN HONOR TO HAVE SERVED WITH HIM IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES -- AND TO CALL HIM A FRIEND.

SAM DEVINE HAS HAD A RATHER UNIQUE CAREER. HE

WAS AN F.B.I. AGENT, A PROSECUTOR -- AND ALSO A FOOTBALL REFEREE.

This
WHICH CAN BE A DEVASTATING COMBINATION. WHEN HE CALLED

A PENALTY, YOU COULD EITHER LOSE FIVE YARDS OR FIVE YEARS.

IF MY SCHEDULE PERMITTED, SAM, I WOULD ENJOY NOTHING
MORE THAN SHARING THIS EVENING WITH YOU. BUT I SEND MY
GREETINGS INSTEAD TO YOU AND TO EVERYONE IN ATTENDANCE AT THIS
LINCOLN DAY DINNER.

BEST WISHES FOR A VERY SUCCESSFUL EVENING.

END OF TEXT

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