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RECEPTION HONORING SENATOR HUGH SCOTT

MAY 18, 1975

(ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS ENDING WITH:

HONORED MEMBERS AND GUESTS OF THE AMERICAN FRIENDS

OF LU-BAH-VITCH SHO-LOME!

LOOK, FOR A GOY THAT ISN'T BAD!
IT IS A GREAT PLEASURE TO BE HERE TODAY TO JOIN
WITH YOU IN HONORING MY GOOD FRIEND AND COLLEAGUE OF SO MANY
YEARS -- SENATOR HUGH SCOTT. HUGH HAS ALWAYS GIVEN ME
HIS SUPPORT AND HIS WISE COUNSEL WHEN IT WAS NEEDED.

I MIGHT EVEN GO SO FAR AS TO SAY THAT HUGH IS ONE OF THE FIRST
PEOPLE I TURN TO WHEN I HAVE SORE-RESS . . . AND IN THE LAST
FEW WEEKS, HAVE I HAD SORE-RESS !
SO TODAY, IT GIVES ME GREAT PERSONAL PLEASURE

to add my voice to yours as we say to Hugh Scott on this

very special occasion --- mahzel-tuff.

WE ARE BLESSED IN COUNTLESS WAYS IN THIS COUNTRY

-- not the least of which is the quality and character of

the men and women who give life to this nation.
THE LEADERSHIP OF A GREAT PEOPLE IN A DEMOCRACY MAKES SPECIAL DEMANDS ON A PUBLIC OFFICIAL. HE MUST HAVE THE DESIRE TO KNOW WHAT IS ON PEOPLE’S MINDS, THE WISDOM TO KNOW WHAT IS IN THEIR HEARTS, AND THE COURAGE TO DO WHAT HE KNOWS IS RIGHT.

ALL OF THESE QUALITIES ARE POSSESSED IN ABUNDANCE BY THE MAN YOU HONOR TODAY. I HAVE KNOWN HUGH SCOTT FOR MORE THAN TWENTY-FIVE YEARS. I HAVE VALUED HIS PERSONAL FRIENDSHIP. I HAVE ADMIREH HIS PROFESSIONAL INTEGRITY.
THERE ARE FEW PUBLIC SERVANTS WHO HAVE SO SUCCESSFULLY COMBINED THE SERIOUS DUTIES OF STATESMANSHIP WITH THE GOOD HUMOR AND GRACE WHICH ARE HUGH SCOTT'S TRADEMARKS.

YOU HONOR HIM TODAY FOR THE STAUNCH SUPPORT HE HAS GIVEN THE STATE OF ISRAEL SINCE ITS CREATION TWENTY-SEVEN YEARS AGO. IT IS AN HONOR HE RICHLY DESERVES. I KNOW HE WILL CHERISH IT.
THE REST OF THE NATION CONTINUES TO HONOR HIM AS A MAN OF CONVICTION WITH A TALENT FOR COMPROMISE; A MAN OF EXPERIENCE WHO LOOKS TO THE FUTURE; A MAN OF INTEGRITY WITH A TWINKLE IN HIS EYE; A MAN OF INTELLECT WHO CAN DO BATTLE WITH THE BEST OF THEM.

THIS IS THE HUGH SCOTT I KNOW, THE HUGH SCOTT THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA LOVES -- THE MAN TO WHOM YOU PAY HIGH TRIBUTE TODAY.
THE LIBRARY CENTER YOU DEDICATE IN ISRAEL IN HIS NAME, AND THAT OF HIS LOVELY WIFE, MARIAN, IS A FITTING HONOR, SIGNIFYING AS IT DOES THE WEALTH OF KNOWLEDGE WHICH MAN HAS GATHERED THROUGH THE AGES AND THE USE OF THAT KNOWLEDGE IN CONSTRUCTIVE PURSUITS.

NOTHING COULD BETTER CHARACTERIZE HUGH'S OWN LIFE NOR REFLECT MORE ACCURATELY THE PHILOSOPHY OF YOUR MOVEMENT.
YOU ARE COMMITTED TO PRESERVING THE DEEP AND ABIDING FAITH
OF THE JEWISH TRADITION FOR THE YOUNG AND SUCCEEDING GENERATIONS.
YOUR DEVOTION HAS WON THE RESPECT AND APPRECIATION OF THOUSANDS,
IN THIS COUNTRY AND AROUND THE WORLD. ONE REASON IS THE
LEADERSHIP OF RABBI SCHNEERSON WHO IS OBSERVING HIS TWENTY-FIFTH
ANNIVERSARY THIS YEAR AS HEAD OF THIS MOVEMENT.

MY WISH FOR YOU TONIGHT WAS BEST SAID BY ONE OF
MY PREDECESSORS IN THE WHITE HOUSE -- AND I QUOTE: "MAY THE
CHILDREN OF THE STOCK OF ABRAHAM WHO DWELL IN THIS LAND CONTINUE
TO MERIT AND ENJOY THE GOOD WILL OF THE OTHER INHABITANTS . . . .
"MAY THE FATHER OF ALL MERCIES SCATTER LIGHT
AND NOT DARKNESS IN OUR PATHS, AND MAKE US ALL IN OUR
SEVERAL VOCATIONS USEFUL HERE, AND IN HIS OWN DUE TIME
AND WAY, EVERLASTingly HAPPY."

THE PRESIDENT WHO WROTE THESE WORDS WAS
GEORGE WASHINGTON. THE YEAR WAS 1790. THE
SPIRIT OF WHAT HE SAID IS AS ALIVE TODAY AS IT WAS THEN.
MY CONGRATULATIONS AGAIN TO SENATOR AND MRS. SCOTT

AND MY THANKS TO YOU FOR LETTING ME JOIN IN THIS TRIBUTE.

MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

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