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SWEARING-IN CEREMONY FOR  
STANLEY HATHAWAY, SECRETARY OF INTERIOR

FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 1975

(ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS)

THANK YOU, KENT (FRIZZELL INTRODUCES YOU)

GOVERNOR AND MRS. HATHAWAY

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE AND SENATE

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR STAFF

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN

I AM VERY PLEASED TO BE HERE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE  
SWEARING-IN OF STAN HATHAWAY AS SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

GOVERNOR HATHAWAY JOINS AN OUTSTANDING TEAM OF POLICY

ADVISORS AND ADMINISTRATORS WHO MAKE UP THE CABINET. I AM

PROUD OF EACH ONE OF THEM -- AND AM PARTICULARLY HAPPY THAT

SECRETARY HATHAWAY IS NOW PART OF THIS TEAM.

HE COMES TO THIS OFFICE AFTER SERVING FOR EIGHT VERY

SUCCESSFUL YEARS AS THE GOVERNOR OF WYOMING. HE IS

RECOGNIZED AS ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR AND MOST HIGHLY-RESPECTED

MEN IN THE HISTORY OF THAT FINE STATE.

STAN HATHAWAY'S SERVICE AS GOVERNOR WAS DISTINGUISHED

BY HIS OUTSTANDING ADMINISTRATIVE SKILLS AND BY HIS STRONG DESIRE  
TO SERVE THE BEST INTERESTS OF HIS PEOPLE.

HE WILL BRING THOSE SKILLS AND THAT SAME STRONG DESIRE  
FOR EFFECTIVE SERVICE TO HIS NEW JOB. AND I AM CONFIDENT THAT  
NOT ONLY THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, BUT THE WHOLE NATION WILL  
BENEFIT FROM HIS LEADERSHIP.

GOVERNOR HATHAWAY HAS ASSURED ME THAT AS SECRETARY OF  
THE INTERIOR, HIS HIGHEST COMMITMENT IS TO A BALANCED PROGRAM  
OF THE PRESERVATION OF OUR ENVIRONMENTAL HERITAGE, THE WISE  
MANAGEMENT OF OUR GREAT NATURAL RESOURCES, AND THE SUPPORT OF  
OUR NATIONAL ENERGY GOALS.

AND I HAVE ASSURED HIM THAT I WOULDN'T WANT IT ANY OTHER  
WAY.

I HAVE TRAVELLED OVER THIS COUNTRY COUNTLESS TIMES IN MY  
PUBLIC LIFE, AND I NEVER CEASE TO BE AMAZED AND AWED BY THE  
STRIKING NATURAL BEAUTY AND THE MAJESTY OF OUR LAND.

I NEVER WANT TO LOSE THAT FEELING. I WANT TO PRESERVE

OUR NATURAL HERITAGE AND OUR ABUNDANT RESOURCES FOR FUTURE

GENERATIONS. AND SO DOES STAN HATHAWAY.

THIS IS A CHALLENGING ASSIGNMENT WHICH SECRETARY

HATHAWAY HAS AGREED TO UNDERTAKE. BUT I KNOW HE'S UP TO IT.

I WISH YOU, SECRETARY HATHAWAY, AND ALL OF YOUR  
ASSOCIATES THE VERY BEST AS YOU DISCHARGE THE VERY IMPORTANT  
RESPONSIBILITIES OF THIS DEPARTMENT.

YOU HAVE MY THANKS, AND MY FULL CONFIDENCE AND SUPPORT.

NOW I TAKE PLEASURE IN CALLING UPON MR. JUSTICE

REHNQUIST TO ADMINISTER THE OATH.

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