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## THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEM.... August 14, 1975

## TALKING POINTS FOR THE PRESIDENT TO USE FOR THE VAIL BICENTENNIAL PRESENTATION, THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 1975

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(1) As a part-time resident but a full-time booster of the Town

of Vail, it is a great personal pleasure to be here tonight. This part of

the country has so much to offer, it doesn't surprise me that Vail is

offering a double celebration. One is the Bicentennial -- America's

200th birthday. The other is Colorado's very own Centennial --

the 100th anniversary of the Great State of Colorado entering the Union.

(2) Here in Vail we will be celebrating the Bicentennial and the

Centennial in many rewarding ways. There will be a Vail Bicentennial Horizons Fund for the support of worthy youth-oriented community projects.

Next July we will have Vail America Week -- seven days of Americana

in action. And dear to the hearts of all skiers will be the new Colorado

Ski Museum opening here in Vail this winter.

(3) The Colorado Ski Museum will provide a permanent home

and exhibition site for artifacts, historic documents, photographs and displays concerned with skiing in Colorado from 1876 to 1976. Skiing that was usually a sport, but often a necessity as well.

(4) I'm proud to say that the museum has also asked me for something that would be representative of <u>my</u> years of skiing at Vail. And they're going to have it -- just as soon as we can figure out a way to preserve a sitzmark.

(5) The spectacular beauty of Vail is a fitting tribute to the sweep and grandeur of all America. I am delighted to see the Town of Vail named a national Bicentennial Community and to present tonight Mayor Dobson with this Certificate of Official Recognition and the

Bicentennial Flag.