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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN...

TALKING POINTS FOR GOP FUNDRAISER

TRAMMELL CROW RESIDENCE

DALLAS, TEXAS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1975

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1. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. AND I EXPECIALLY

WANT TO THANK TRAMMELL AND MARGARET CROW FOR OPENING

THEIR BEAUTIFUL HOME FOR THIS EVENT.

2. I DON'T WANT TO BURDEN YOU WITH A SPEECH.

BUT I DO WANT TO ASSURE YOU THAT REPUBLICAN PRINCIPLES DEMAND
WE CONTINUE TRYING TO HOLD DOWN THE SIZE OF THE FEDERAL BUDGET.
WE'RE MAKING GOOD PROGRESS ON GETTING OUR ECONOMY IN SHAPE.

IT'S NOT WHERE WE WOULD LIKE IT YET -- BUT ALL THE INDICATORS
SHOW WE'RE MAKING HEADWAY. I MAY BE ON THE WAY TO SETTING
A RECORD IN THE NUMBER OF MY VETOES. THE WILD SPENDERS CALL
THESE VETOES NEGATIVE -- BUT THEY HAVE BEEN POSITIVE,
AND I'LL TELL YOU WHY.

3. THE STATISTICAL EXPERTS SAY THAT MY VETOES
WILL SAVE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ABOUT SIX BILLION DOLLARS BY 1977.
THAT'S POSITIVE. THAT'S HELPING KEEP INFLATION IN CHECK.
ANOTHER POSITIVE ASPECT OF THESE VETOES HAS BEEN THIS:
ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS THEY HAVE FORCED THE CONGRESS TO RECONSIDER
AND PASS ACCEPTABLE LEGISLATION.

IN THE FIRST INSTANCE, THEY TOOK MY PROPOSAL, ADDED ALL KINDS
OF UNNECESSARY PROGRAMS, AND PRESENTED ME WITH A BILL
THAT CALLED FOR MORE SPENDING THAN THE BUDGET COULD STAND.
AFTER MY VETO WAS SUSTAINED, THE CONGRESS RESPONDED AND
CAME BACK WITH A BILL ALONG THE LINES I HAD RECOMMENDED --
SAVING BILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN THE PROCESS. THAT'S POSITIVE.

4. AS AMERICA ENTERS ITS THIRD CENTURY OF FREEDOM, I THINK

THIS IS WHAT OUR PEOPLE WANT -- AND THE REPUBLICAN PARTY STANDS FOR:

FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, TAX AND

REGULATORY REFORM THAT GIVES NEW LIFE AND ENERGY TO OUR GREAT

FREE ENTERPRISE SYSTEM, A STRONG NATIONAL DEFENSE THAT WILL

KEEP US NUMBER ONE, LOCAL CONTROL OVER LOCAL CONCERNS, AND --

LAST BUT ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT -- PERSONAL FREEDOM

FOR THE INDIVIDUAL.

5. THE GREAT MAJORITY OF AMERICANS --

REPUBLICANS, DEMOCRATS AND INDEPENDENTS -- WANT THAT.

WITH YOUR HELP, AND THOUSANDS OF OTHERS LIKE YOU, WE'LL DO

EVERYTHING WITHIN OUR POWER TO GIVE IT TO THEM.

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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN....

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