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FORMER

PAUSE THAT CONCLUDES MY REMARKS FOR THIS EVENING. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Thank you, Bill Former Governor Warren Knowles Congressman Bill Steiger Cougressman Bob Kasten In Chairman George Porber National commultiman Ody Fish Finance Chairman Bul Messinger Dinner Chairman Fran Furgison Former Lt. Gov. Jack Olson 1st vice chairmon alice Reed 2nd Vice Chairman Curtis McKay Unitinguished Guisto) or the Druld Ladus and Gentlemen Reed Coleman Pause That concludes my speech Thank you and good night

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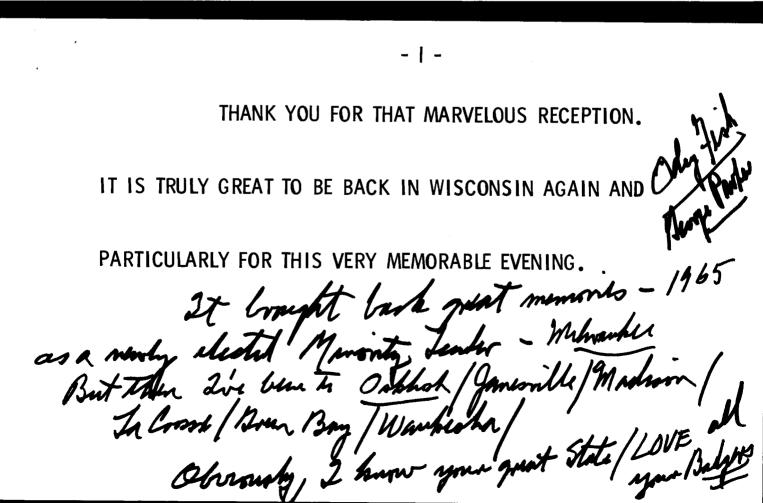
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THANK YOU, FRAN.

(Fran Furgeson, Dinner Chairman, introduces you)

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN



JUST A FEW MINUTES AGO, YOUR OUTSTANDING STATE FINANCE CHAIRMAN, <u>BILL MESSINGER</u>, TOLD ME THAT AS A RESULT OF Y<u>OUR EFFORTS AND YOUR GENEROSITY TONIGHT</u> -- THE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF WISCONSIN WILL BE ABLE <u>TO PAY OFF</u> ALL ITS LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS AND IS NOW VIRTUALLY DEBT FREE!

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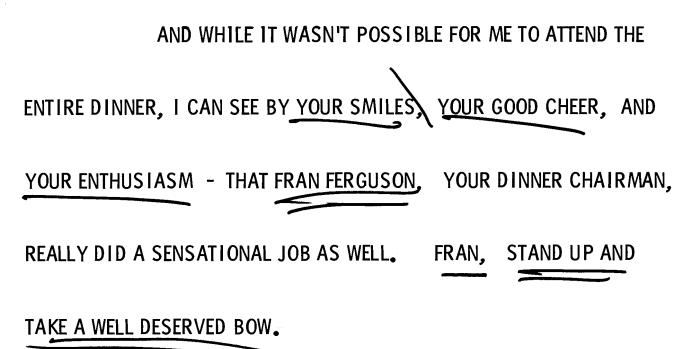
WHEN IT COMES TO REALLY DIGGING IN AND TAKING HOLD UNDER VERY

DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES, I DON'T KNOW OF ANYONE WHO DESERVES

MORE CREDIT OR MORE PRAISE THAN BILL MESSINGER. LET'S ALL

OF US SHOW HIM RIGHT HERE AND NOW HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATE

AND RECOGNIZE THE GREAT JOB HE HAS DONE.



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IT IS A PLEASURE TO SEE SO MANY OLD AND NEW FRIENDS

HERE TONIGHT. I JUST WISH MY BUDDY AND GOLFING PARTNER

OF SO MANY YEARS, MEL LAIRD, COULD HAVE MADE IT.

BUT I'M DELIGHTED TO SEE THAT MEL IS BEING KEPT SO BUSY AT THE READER'S DIGEST -- BECAUSE THE READER'S DIGEST AND WE REPUBLICANS HAVE A LOT IN COMMON. THE READER'S DIGEST TAKES THINGS AND CUTS THEM DOWN TO SIZE -- AND THAT'S JUST WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO TO THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY IN 1976!

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SO I JUST WANTED TO STOP IN TO SHARE A LITTLE OF THIS

HAPPY OCCASION WITH YOU --- AND I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO TALKING

TO YOU AT GREATER LENGTH WHEN WE MOVE INTO THE OTHER HALL.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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LET ME THANK GEORGE PARKER -- MORE AFFECTIONATELY

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KNOWN AS THE STATE PEN -- FOR THAT VERY FINE INTRODUCTION.

IT IS A PLEASURE TO BE BACK IN MILWAUKEE AGAIN --

PARTICULARLY ON THE DAY BEFORE A FAVORITE AMERICAN EVENT --

HALLOWEEN. IN FACT, ON THE WAY IN FROM THE AIRPORT, I

ASKED ODY FISH IF THERE WAS ANY SPECIAL WAY PEOPLE IN

WISCONSIN CELEBRATED TRICK OR TREAT.

ODY SAID, "WELL, FOR THE TREAT WE PRETTY MUCH GIVE OUT THE TRADITIONAL ITEMS LIKE CANDY, APPLES, POPCORN -- THINGS LIKE THAT." I SAID, "AND HERE IN WISCONSIN, DO YOU EVER HAVE ANY TRICKS?" HE SAID, "MR. PRESIDENT, ONLY WHEN THE DEMOCRATS IN THE LEGISLATURE WORK ON THE STATE BUDGET!" ODY SAID, "THIS IS ONE YEAR WISCONSIN REPUBLICANS

COULD HAVE USED HOUDINI. HE WAS AN EXPERT ON GETTING

I COMMEND EVERYONE IN THE REPUBLICAN PARTY ---

PARTICULARLY THE REPUBLICAN STATE LEGISLATORS -- FOR THE BATTLE YOU HAVE FOUGHT THIS YEAR WITH THE DEMOCRATS AGAINST

SECRECY AND FOR OPENNESS IN GOVERNMENT.

SINCE THIS IS OUR BICENTENNIAL YEAR, LET'S

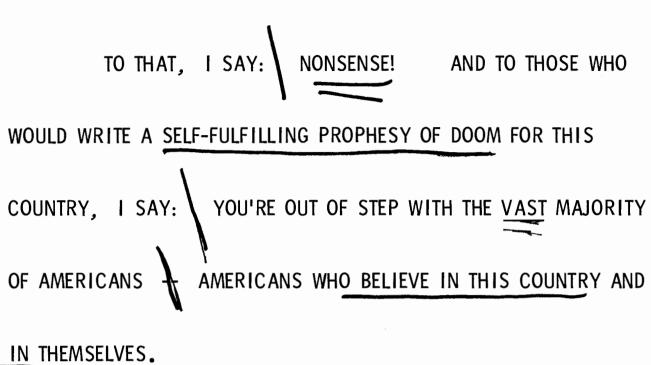
REMEMBER THAT THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE

REPUBLICAN PARTY ARE CLOSELY LINKED. NO HISTORY OF

AMERICA CAN BE WRITTEN WITHOUT THAT OF OUR PARTY.

We have Over 100 gro - J sound principle & good people.

YOU HERE IN WISCONSIN KNOW THAT BETTER THAN ANYONE --FOR MUCH OF THE GROUNDWORK FOR THE REPUBLICAN PARTY WAS LAID HERE IN RIPON IN 1854. OF COURSE, I'D BETTER MENTION JACKSON, MICHIGAN, AS WELL FOR SOMEWHAT OBVIOUS REASONS. TONIGHT, I WANT TO TALK WITH YOU NOT ONLY OF OUR COMMON HERITAGE BUT OF OUR COMMON JOURNEY INTO THE FUTURE --NOT ONLY OF THE PROUD PRINCIPLES OF OUR NATION'S PAST BUT OF THOSE UPON WHICH WE MUST BUILD IN THE FUTURE. THERE IS INCREASING EXPRESSION IN AMERICA TODAY THAT THE BELIEFS AND VALUES OF OUR PAST ARE NO LONGER RELEVANT TO OUR PRESENT NOR PART OF OUR FUTURE. SOME SUGGEST THAT AMERICA HAS SEEN ITS BEST DAYS THAT OUR DECLINE HAS STARTED THAT THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN AMERICA IS SLIDING DOWNHILL THAT OUR ECONOMY IS ON THE SKIDS THAT THE VALUES MOST OF US HOLD HIGH ARE OUT AND THE NEW COUNTERCULTURE IS IN.



LET ME MAKE CERTAIN THERE IS NO MISUNDERSTANDING: I DID NOT TAKE THE SACRED OATH OF PRESIDENT TO PRESIDE OVER THE DECLINE AND FALL OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA I will have REJECT THE SCENARIOS OF PESSIMISM. There are a suff destruct attitude for Amirica.

INSTEAD, I LOOK TO AMERICA'S FUTURE -- A FUTURE WHICH WILL BE BUILT UPON A PROUD PAST. I LOOK TO A NATION THAT NOT ONLY CONQUERS ITS CHALLENGES, BUT PROVIDES ITS CITIZENS

WITH UNMATCHED PERSONAL FULFILLMENT.

BY THE YEAR 2000 -- ONLY A SHORT 25 YEARS FROM

NOW -- I SEE AN AMERICA WHOSE CITIZENS:

--RESIDE IN A COMMUNITY OF PEACE WITH OTHER

NATIONS;

--SHARE THE STILL-HIGHEST STANDARD OF LIVING IN

THE WORLD;

--LIVE LONGER BECAUSE KILLER DISEASES HAVE

BEEN CONQUERED AND THE QUALITY OF LIFE ENHANCED;

--ENJOY OPPORTUNITIES FOR EDUCATION AND HOUSING AND

JOBS LIMITED ONLY BY THEIR PERSONAL INITIATIVES AND LONG-RANGE

OBJECTIVES;

--REEFSH INDIVIDUAL LIBERTIES AND FREEDOMS WHICH HAVE

BEEN NOT ONLY SECURED BUT EXPANDED; AND

--WHOSE CITIZENS SHARE A NATIONAL WILL AND SPIRIT

WHICH IS STILL CLIMBING AS THIS NATION MOVES WELL INTO ITS

THIRD CENTURY.

TO MAKE THIS VISION COME TRUE, WE MUST RETURN GOVERNMENT TO SOUND, (RESPONSIBLE REPUBLICAN PRINCIPLES WE MUST ELECT TO YOUR STATE AND LOCAL OFFICES AND TO THE CONGRESS RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES WHO BELIEVE AS WE DO AND WHO SHARE OUR OBJECTIVES. THE BATTLE LINES FOR 1976 ARE BEING DRAWN BETWEEN

THESE OPPOSING FORCES:

--BETWEEN THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

AND THOSE WHO BELIEVE EVERY PROBLEM WILL GO AWAY IF WE JUST

THROW ENOUGH TAX MONEY AT IT.

--BETWEEN THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN STRONG NATIONAL

DEFENSE AS THE BEST INSURANCE OF PEACE AND THOSE WHO WOULD SPEND YOUR TAX MONEY INSTEAD FOR CONTROVERSIAL SOCIAL EXPERIMENTS.

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--BETWEEN THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN LOCAL CONTROL OVER

LOCAL PROBLEMS AND THOSE WHO BELIEVE UNCLE SAM SHOULD

HELP SOLVE ALL OF OUR PROBLEMS.

--BETWEEN THOSE WHO BELIEVE THAT AMERICAN BUSINESS

SHOULD BE UNSHACKLED FROM GOVERNMENT OVER-REGULATION SO IT CAN EXPAND THE ECONOMY AND CREATE JOBS AND THOSE WHO BELIEVE FEDERAL PAPER-SHUFFLERS KNOW WHAT'S BEST FOR AMERICA AND FOR BUSINESS. -- BETWEEN THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN THE EXPANSION OF

LET ME EMPHASIZE: 1976 IS MORE THAN AN ELECTION YEAR. IT IS ALSO A YEAR OF DECISION FOR ALL REPUBLICANS. IT IS THE REPUBLICAN PARTY'S GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY TO PROVE TO ALL THAT IT HAS THE STRENGTH TO SURVIVE SETBACKS, THE RESOLUTION TO ROUSE THE NATION'S GREATNESS, AND THE WILL TO WIN ELECTIONS. WE CAN DO IT. WE WILL DO IT! BUT TO MAKE SURE, WE REPUBLICANS MUST MAKE

SOME PRACTICAL CHANGES IN OUR POLITICAL WAYS -- NOT IN PRINCIPLES, BUT IN APPROACHES. WE MUST DISCARD THE ATTITUDE OF EXCLUSIVENESS THAT

HAS KEPT THE REPUBLICAN PARTY'S DOOR CLOSED WHILE WE MAKE

SPEECHES ABOUT KEEPING IT OPEN.

WE MUST INVITE INTO OUR RANKS ALL WHO CARE ABOUT THIS GREAT COUNTRY AND ALL WHO SHARE OUR GOALS ENOUGH TO WORK THROUGH THE REPUBLICAN PARTY TO ACHIEVE THEM. WE MUST BUILD A PARTY THAT WORKS YEAR-AROUND AND NOT JUST AT ELECTION TIME.

AND PERHAPS MOST IMPORTANT OF ALL -- WE MUST

EMPHASIZE OUR DIFFERENCES WITH DEMOCRATS RATHER THAN

WITH EACH OTHER. WE MUST CONCENTRATE ON WINNING

ELECTIONS -- INSTEAD OF ARGUMENTS!

AS WE LOOK TOWARD 1976, THE APATHY AND CYNICISM WHICH HAVE OVERTAKEN SOME AMERICANS MUST BE OVERCOME BY OFFERING CANDIDATES OF <u>OUTSTANDING ABILITY</u> AND <u>ROCKHARD</u> INTEGRITY. WE MUST DEVELOP PROGRAMS THAT ARE FORWARD-LOOKING AND PROBLEM-SOLVING -- AND WE MUST ELECT A CONGRESS THAT WILL CARRY THEM OUT.

AS-YOU KNOW, I PROPOSED TO THE 94TH CONGRESS

A PERMANENT ANNUAL CUT IN YOUR FEDERAL TAX BILL OF 28 BILLION DOLLARS AND A CUT IN THE GROWTH IN FEDERAL SPENDING OF THE

BUT ALL I GET SO FAR FROM THIS DEMOCRATIC-

DOMINATED "CAN'T-DO" CONGRESS IS THAT IT "CAN'T BE DONE."

I SAY IT CAN -- AND IT WILL -- BE DONE. IF THIS

CONGRESS ISN'T CAPABLE OF ACTING, LET'S ELECT A REPUBLICAN

CONGRESS WHICH CAN AND WILL ACT!

AMERICA'S VITALITY AND PROSPERITY HAVE BEEN SAPPED

BY THE IRRESPONSIBLE SPENDING OF THIS CONGRESS WHICH IS

CONTROLLED TWO-TO-ONE BY THE DEMOCRATS AND OF PREVIOUS

CONGRESSES WHICH HAVE BEEN CONTROLLED BY DEMOCRATS FOR

38 OUT OF THE LAST 42 YEARS. AND I MIGHT ADD --- FOR 33

OF THOSE 38 YEARS, THERE HAVE BEEN DEFICITS WHICH HAVE RUN

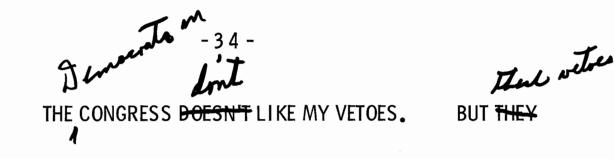
UP THE COST OF LIVING AND RUN DOWN THE VALUE OF THE DOLLARS

YOU EARN.

UNDER THE DEMOCRATIC SPENDERS, THE FEDERAL BUDGET FOR THE FIRST TIME IN OUR HISTORY TOPPED 100 <u>BILLION DOLLARS</u> <u>IN 1962</u>. IT DOUBLED TO 200 <u>BILLION DOLLARS EIGHT YEARS</u> <u>LATER AND WILL MORE THAN DOUBLE AGAIN TO 423 BILLION DOLLARS</u> IN THIS COMING FISCAL YEAR - <u>UNLESS WE ACT</u>. LET ME EMPHASIZE: THE 28 BILLION DOLLAR REDUCTION IN TAXES WHICH I PROPOSED MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY EQUALLY SUBSTANTIAL CUTS IN THE GROWTH OF FEDERAL SPENDING. THIS MEANS THE SPENDING CEILING OF 395 BILLION DOLLARS WHICH

I PROPOSED MUST BE ADHERED TO.

DO YOU KNOW THAT, UNDER THE LAWS DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSES HAVE ALREADY WRITTEN -- WITHOUT A SINGLE NEW APPROPRIATION OR PROGRAM AND DESPITE EVERYTHING I CAN DO AS PRESIDENT BY VETOING FURTHER INCREASES -- OUR FEDERAL EXPENDITURES WILL INCREASE NEXT YEAR BY 50 BILLION DOLLARS?



HAVE ALREADY SAVED THE TAXPAYERS SOME 6.5 BILLION DOLLARS.

AND I WILL GO ON VETOING UNWISE AND UNNECESSARY SPENDING BILLS AGAIN AND AGAIN AND AGAIN \rightarrow AS LONG AS IT SAVES YOUR MONEY - AND OUR NATION'S FUTURE. WHAT CONCERNS ME MOST IS WHAT I SEE AS GOVERNMENT WITHOUT CONSENT -- THE INCREASING ENCROACHMENT OF GOVERNMENT IN OUR LIVES AND FUTURES -- THE IRRESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT ACTION ON THE LOCAL AS WELL AS THE NATIONAL LEVEL. LET'S MAKE SURE WE UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER:

OR A NATION INTO BANKRUPTCY.

AND I CAN ASSURE YOU, THIS PRESIDENT WILL NEVER

ALLOW THE DOORS OF THE U.S. TREASURY TO BE FLUNG OPEN TO

EVERY CITY WITH A HOLE IN ITS FISCAL POCKET.

AS YOU KNOW, I SPOKE TO THIS PROBLEM YESTERDAY. I SAID THAT IF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT GOES ON SPENDING MORE THAN IT HAS, PROVIDING MORE BENEFITS AND SERVICES THAN IT CAN PAY FOR -- THEN A <u>DAY OF RECKONING</u> WILL ULTIMATELY COME TO WASHINGTON AND OUR ENTIRE COUNTRY, JUST AS IT NOW HAS COME TO NEW YORK CITY.

AND TONIGHT, LET ME ASK YOU THAT SAME OMINOUS

QUESTION I ASKED IN WASHINGTON: WHEN THAT DAY OF

RECKONING COMES -- WHO WILL BAIL OUT THE UNITED STATES

OF AMERICA?

BELIEVE ME, IT IS NEITHER RESPONSIBLE NOR COMPASSIONATE TO ERODE THE VALUES OF PEOPLES' HARD-EARNED MONEY THROUGH INFLATION BY PILING GOVERNMENT SPENDING ON SPENDING, <u>PROGRAM ON PROGRAM</u>, WITHOUT THE REVENUES TO PAY FOR THEM. THIS IS NOT COMPASSION. THIS IS PURE AND SIMPLE IRRESPONSIBILITY. I KNOW IT. YOU KNOW IT. AND BY THIS TIME NEXT YEAR, WE SHOULD MAKE DARN SURE EVERY RESPONSIBLE VOTER KNOWS IT AS WELL!

THE MESSAGE OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY AND WHAT IT

STANDS FOR MUST BE CARRIED TO ALL THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

WE MUST LET PEOPLE KNOW THAT THIS IS THE PARTY OF

OPENNESS -- AN OPEN PARTY THAT INSISTS ON OPEN GOVERNMENT --

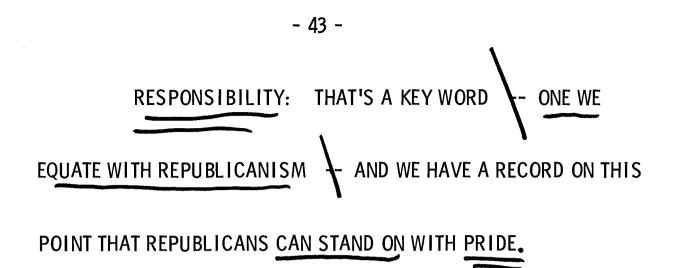
AND THAT IS PRECISELY WHAT YOU ARE DOING HERE IN WISCONSIN.

FOR YOUNG AND OLD. . . RICH AND POOR. . . BLACK AND WHITE. . . INDEPENDENTS AND DISCERNING -- AND DESERTED -- DEMOCRATS. . .

FOR ALL OF THESE AMERICANS AND MORE, WE HAVE SOMETHING

TO OFFER.

-42-WE ARE THE PARTY OF <u>PRINCIPLES</u> NOT <u>PESSIMISM</u>... THE PARTY OF <u>ANSWERS AND SOLUTIONS</u> NOT THE <u>DISSEMINATORS</u> OF <u>DOUBT AND DESPAIR</u>.. THE PARTY OF REASON, <u>RESPONSIBILITY</u> AND <u>RESTRAINT</u> -- NOT THE <u>PURVEYORS OF PROMISES</u> WHICH CAN'T BE KEPT OR PROGRAMS WHICH CAN'T BE ACHIEVED.



BUT WE ARE NOT ONLY A PARTY OF PRINCIPLES, WE ARE A PARTY OF PEOPLE. PRINCIPLES CAN BE CONVERTED INTO ACTION ONLY WHEN THEY ARE SUPPORTED BY <u>A MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE</u>. WE MUST BRING PEOPLE AND PRINCIPLES TOGETHER ACROSS OUR LAND. THAT IS THE ANSWER TO THE PESSIMISTS AND THE DOOM-PUSHERS OF TODAY: PEOPLE AND PRINCIPLES.

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THE REPUBLICAN PARTY'S GOAL IS TO UNITE THE

AMERICAN PEOPLE AND THE PRINCIPLES THAT MADE OUR NATION GREAT. IN 1976, TOGETHER, WE WILL CELEBRATE A JOINT VICTORY --NOT MERELY FOR OUR PARTY, BUT FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES.

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