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THE PRESIDENT HAS SHOW.

TALKING POINTS

FOR

REPUBLICAN CONTRIBUTORS AND FUNDRAISERS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1975

I'M DELIGHTED YOU COULD COME HERE THIS EVENING.

I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO VISITING WITH SOME OF MY OLD FRIENDS

AND GETTING ACQUAINTED WITH THE FEW OF YOU I HAVEN'T MET

BEFORE.

MARY LOUISE AND JERRY ALREADY HAVE TOLD YOU OF THE

VITAL ROLE THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE WILL PLAY IN

NEXT YEAR'S ELECTIONS UNDER THE NEW CAMPAIGN LAW. IT IS

IMPERATIVE THAT THIS NEW IMPORTANCE OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE

BE EMPHASIZED AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.

EVERYTHING POSSIBLE MUST BE DONE TO MAKE THE COMMITTEE STRONG

AND EFFECTIVE -- FOR THE SUCCESS OF THE REPUBLICAN

PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN AND THE KIND OF CONGRESS WE HAVE AFTER

THE 1976 ELECTIONS WILL DEPEND IN LARGE MEASURE ON THE WAY

THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE PERFORMS ITS JOB.

IT WON'T BE EASY. WE CANNOT BECOME COMPLACMENT.

THE COMMITTEE MUST START WORKING RIGHT NOW IF REPUBLICANS

ARE TO ACHIEVE THE ELECTION VICTORIES I KNOW ARE POSSIBLE.

THAT WORK STARTS RIGHT HERE WITH YOU.

REPUBLICAN SUCCESSES AT THE POLLS WILL DEPEND UPON THE EFFORTS

OF ALL OF YOU HERE. I URGE YOU TO GO ALL OUT AND MAKE 1976

A YEAR EVERY REPUBLICAN WILL BE PROUD TO REMEMBER.

ALL OF YOU HAVE SEEN THE POLLS WHICH SHOW THE

REPUBLICAN PARTY IS A MINORITY PARTY IN THIS NATION.

BUT THE VAST MAJORITY OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE BELIEVE IN THE

SAME THINGS WE BELIEVE IN.

YOUR JOB IS TO MAKE CERTAIN THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE HAS THE

RESOURCES TO CONDUCT THE BEST POSSIBLE CAMPAIGNS FOR

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES NEXT YEAR. THE FREEDOM OF CHOOSING

THE KIND OF GOVERNMENT WE BELIEVE IN -- THE VERY FUTURE OF

THIS GREAT NATION -- DEPENDS ON THE KIND OF JOB YOU DO.

ALL REPUBLICANS ARE COUNTING ON YOU --

AND I AM CONFIDENT YOU WON'T LET THEM DOWN.

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