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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN . . .

TALKING POINTS OF SIGNING OF H.R. 6346
WITH LEADERSHIP OF THE KANSAS FARM BUREAU
MONDAY APRIL 5, 1976

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LET ME WELCOME YOU HERE TODAY FOR THE
SIGNING OF H.R. 6346, WHICH EXTENDS THE AUTHORITY FOR
CERTAIN RURAL DEVELOPMENT / RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
ACTIVITIES THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 1979.

MOST IMPORTANTLY, THOUGH, ANOTHER SECTION
OF THIS BILL EXEMPTS CUSTOM COMBINE OPERATORS, HAY
HARVESTERS AND SHEEP SHEARERS FROM THE FARM LABOR
CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION ACT.

I AM ONLY SORRY THAT MY GOOD FRIEND
SENATOR BOB DOLE IS NOT ABLE TO BE HERE TO PARTICIPATE IN
THE CEREMONY SINCE HE LED THE EFFORT TO CLARIFY THE FARM
LABOR CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION ACT.

I UNDERSTAND THAT FAILURE TO CHANGE THIS
ACT COULD LEAD TO SEVERE HARDSHIP FOR THE CUSTOM
COMBINE OPERATORS AND OTHERS.

SINCE THE FARM LABOR ACT WAS INTENDED TO
PROTECT UNSKILLED MIGRANT FARM WORKERS - NOT THE
MORE SKILLED WORKERS EXEMPTED TODAY BY THE LEGISLATION
I AM SIGNING - I THINK THIS ONE EXEMPTION MAKES SENSE.

I AM COMMITTED TO REDUCING AND RESISTING

REGULATION IN AREAS SUCH AS THIS WHERE IT IS NOT

NEEDED OR IS NOT APPROPRIATE.

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