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TALKING POINTS -- VISIT TO NATIONAL FEDERATION OF
REPUBLICAN WOMEN BOARD OF DIRECTORS, SEPTEMBER 17, 1976

1. I am happy to have this chance to meet with the Board of Directors and other distinguished members of the National Federation of Republican Women.

2. I have had the pleasure of meeting with many of you before -- either at your great Biennial Convention last year in Dallas, or campaigning around the country earlier this year.

3. I am grateful to Pat Hutar for serving as a member of my Campaign Steering Committee.

4. Many women have leadership roles in this year's campaign. Many of you served as delegates to the Convention in Kansas City -- others are serving as campaign chairwomen for candidates in local elections -- and I am glad to see increasing numbers of women running for office themselves, especially at the state government level.

5. Since the Federation's founding in 1938, you have made outstanding contributions to the Republican Party and Republican candidates. As the largest volunteer women's political organization in the world -- some 230,000 strong -- you are an incomparable asset for our Party and our Nation.
6. You are doing a grand job of increasing the number of women trained and motivated to become political leaders.

7. The issues this year are Republican issues. America needs and wants a sound Republican approach to government. That includes a policy of peace through strength -- steady fiscal policies to make sure our economy continues on the upswing -- a meaningful job for every American who wants to work -- and more local control over local affairs.

8. We have the winning issues. With your help we will also have what you call "the winning spirit" -- the talent and enthusiasm to bring us a great Republican victory throughout all fifty States on November 2nd.

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