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STATEMENT BY W. J. USERY, JR.

It is a great honor and privilege to become a member of the President's cabinet. I am most grateful to President Ford for his confidence in me. If the Senate confirms my nomination, the American people can be assured that I will administer the laws and programs within the jurisdiction of the Department of Labor fairly and impartially.

Any successor to Dr. Dunlop would have to enter his duties with great humility, for John is a man of extreme talent and practical knowledge. He and I have worked in complete harmony and close friendship. I believe that together we have managed to help maintain a high degree of labor-management peace during a period of considerable economic stress. I will continue to pursue that goal.

In my seven years in government, I believe I have developed and enjoy the confidence of both management and labor. In the past I have tried to conduct myself in a manner of doing what is best for the American people and for the nation. I pledge to continue to do my utmost in the future.

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