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REMARKS OF THE PRESIDENT
AT THE
ROYAL PARK SHOPPING PLAZA

BOCA RATON, FLORIDA

5:53 P.M. EST

Mayor Virgil, I want to thank you, of course, for this warm welcome. I want to thank that wonderful Boca Raton Band and those pretty girls. It's a great band and thank you very much.

I also wish to thank all of the wonderful people who are here who have made this stop one of the finest, biggest, most enthusiastic. It makes a long day seem very short and very, very worthwhile.

We have had a little rain, and I should apologize for my appearance, but there's an old saying, you know that aristocracy is the soul not of the cloth. So I don't look very good, but I think I am a darned good President.

And I want you to know that the things we have done in the last 19 months have all been plus, and the next 48 months are going to be more pluses.

I want to quickly review, and I will, we have had bad inflation -- 12 or 14 percent -- and it is cut in half. We have gone through a recession, the worst since the end of World War II. We are on the way out. Employment is going up. Unemployment is going down. Prices are going down, and we have a good start on a healthy economy. And I ask you to give me a chance to make sure that it is continued.

I ask for your help March 9, and once we win that, we are on our way to win November 2.

Thank you very, very much.

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(AT 5:56 P.M. EST)