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REMARKS BY SENATOR HUBERT H. HUMPHREY

✓ Tourism -
 ✓ 120 miles of Pinet Beach
 ✓ Mayor Deum (Elizabeth) (Mayor Nard - Pres. Elect)
 ✓ Sal Bontempo

- Garden State -

MAY 17, 1972

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

567- municipalities

525- under 25,000
 in popul.

• mostly densely populated state
 3rd oldest state
 65% of area in farms or woodland!

~~most densely populated~~
~~3rd oldest state~~

SPEECH PARAGRAPHS AND THEMES

1. THE CITIES ARE BESET WITH PROBLEMS. AND ONE OF THE
MOST SEVERE IS THAT IN ALL TOO MANY INSTANCES, THE SPIRIT HAS
GONE OUT OF OUR CITIES.

WE TRY TO REPLACE IT BUT WE CANNOT. !

WE FLEE TO SUBURBIA ONLY TO FIND THAT THE PROBLEMS OF THE
CITY PURSUE US: ITS DRUG PROBLEMS, ITS TRAFFIC CONGESTION, ITS
HIGHWAYS, ITS HELTERSKEFTER BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT.

Planning

WHAT HAS BEEN MISSING HAS BEEN THE ABILITY TO LOOK AHEAD,
THE ABILITY TO ASK WHAT ARE OUR REAL PROBLEMS.

~~THE REAL PROBLEMS TODAY ARE CLOSE TO~~
PEOPLE -- IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS, ON THEIR STREETS, IN THEIR
HOMES.

*not just large
but smaller*

*not just inner city -
but in suburbs
not just poor, but middle
America*

GOVERNMENT IS NOT REAL TO PEOPLE UNLESS IT IS CLOSE

TO THE PEOPLE, CLOSE TO THEIR NEEDS AND ACCOUNTABLE TO THEIR

DEMANDS,

Accountability -

L THE AVERAGE CITIZEN DOES NOT DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN THE
DIFFERENT LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT, HE DOES NOT CARE WHO IS

Govt is Govt!

RESPONSIBLE. HE JUST KNOWS THAT WHEN SOMETHING GOES WRONG --

IT IS THE GOVERNMENT'S FAULT.

Government at fault.

WHAT WE NEED TO DO IS TO REFOCUS ON "STREET LEVEL
GOVERNMENT" AND THE ESSENTIALS OF PUBLIC SERVICE.

Street Level + Public Service

L PEOPLE MUST BE ABLE TO CALL CITY HALL TO GET THEIR
SIDEWALKS FIXED, THEIR APARTMENTS INSPECTED, THEIR GARBAGE COLLECTED,
SNOW REMOVED, DEPENDABLE ELECTRICITY AND ENOUGH HEAT.

~~THE CHALLENGE IS THIS:~~

~~WE MUST MAKE STREET LEVEL GOVERNMENT WORK.~~

WHAT HAS HAPPENED ~~IN THIS COUNTRY~~ IS THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT -- AT THE TOP -- ~~IN THE BUREAU OF THE BUDGET AND~~ *in Depts & Bureau of Budget - has.*

NEGLECTED "STREET LEVEL GOVERNMENT"

In fact the neglect is ~~THE NEGLECT OF THE URBAN AREAS IS WORSE THAN~~

"BENIGN NEGLECT OF THE URBAN AREAS." - *No Urban or Rural Strategy!*

~~THE POLICY OF THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION IS SIMPLE AND IT~~ *no consideration of smaller cities* IS DANGEROUS; ~~"IF ITS FOR THE CITIES, THEN CUT IT OUT."~~

- no long term plan -*
- no appreciation of Population movement*
- no understanding of Urban-Rural balance.*

Here are some specifics!

IN THE AREA OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, THE
 ADMINISTRATION IS SEEKING \$1.3 BILLION LESS FOR ITS PROGRAMS THAN
CONGRESS APPROPRIATED IN 1971.

-- A DECREASE OF \$465 MILLION FOR URBAN RENEWAL

-- NO INCREASE IN MODEL CITIES

-- A 50% CUT IN THE REHABILITATION LOAN FUND (neighborhoods)

-- IMPOUNDING \$208 MILLION OF WATER AND SEWER GRANTS

AND SPENDING ONLY 200 MILLION OF \$500 MILLION AUTHORIZED FOR

WATER AND SEWER GRANTS, AT A TIME WHEN THERE IS A BACKLOG OF

ALMOST \$4 BILLION IN UNMET NEEDS.

-- CUTS IN RENT SUPPLEMENTS

-- CUTS IN ^{low Rent} HOUSING

→ No senior citizen
 Housing.

→ Youth Unemployment is critically high - yet

~~INCREASE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD YOUTH CORPS --~~

REQUEST THE SAME LEVEL OF FUNDING FOR THIS SUMMER AS LAST SUMMER.

IN ADDITION, THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION TALKS OF CUTTING INTO THE HIGHWAY TRUST FUND FOR MONEY TO AID MASS TRANSIT.

BUT, WHEN YOU EXAMINE THE PROPOSAL, ~~THE NIXON PROGRAM~~

~~IT~~ *it just doesn't hold up.*

IT WOULD TAKE AWAY MONEY FROM THE PRESENT URBAN MASS

TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION, BUT STILL NOT LET ANY OF THE HIGHWAY

TRUST FUND MONEY BE USED TO PAY FOR OPERATING SUBSIDIES.

*Hold on
Action*

WHAT DO CITIES NEED? THEY NEED FUNDS TO KEEP WHAT

THEY HAVE GOING, ~~YET NIXON REFUSES TO GIVE THE SUPPORT~~

This is the immediate need - then they need to look ahead - new forms of Administration

Recession
Cost to
Cities

And

OUR CITIES NEED A NEW SPIRIT.

~~ON THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.~~

AND WE NEED NEW METHODS OF FINANCING

URBAN NEEDS.

Revenue Sharing

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THAT MEANS: IMMEDIATE PASSAGE OF REVENUE SHARING.

~~IT TAKES A DEMOCRAT TO GET A REPUBLICAN PROGNAT PASS.~~

~~SENATOR~~

HAVE JOINED WITH SENATOR HOWARD BAKER OF TENNESSEE

TO COSPONSOR THE MILL'S REVENUE SHARING BILL IN THE SENATE.

WE WANT TO SEE THIS LEGISLATION MOVE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

I HAVE WRITTEN TO EVERY ONE OF MY SENATE COLLEAGUES, URGING

THEM TO GET BEHIND THIS BILL AND TO SUPPORT IT WHEN IT GETS TO

THE FLOOR OF THE SENATE.

THE COMMUNITIES OF THE UNITED STATES NEED THIS AID. THERE ARE THINGS TO BE DONE. PUBLIC FACILITIES NEED TO BE BUILT. PROPERTY TAXES ARE TOO HIGH. CITIES ARE STRAPPED FINANCIALLY.

Taxes

THERE SIMPLY HAS TO BE SOME TAX RELIEF. AND REVENUE SHARING CAN HELP PROVIDE IT. — *and to Edus*

Califore

~~THIS LATEST MOVE BY SENATOR BAKER AND MYSELF WILL DO WHAT I HAVE BEEN TRYING TO DO FOR THE LAST YEAR. GET THE ADMINISTRATION TO GIVE UP ITS PARTISANSHIP ON THE ISSUE, AND GET THE BILL PASSED.~~

I want THIS ISSUE TO BE ABOVE POLITICS.

and I DO NOT WANT IT TO BECOME AN ISSUE IN THE PRESIDENTIAL

CAMPAIGN — *it ought to be resolved now.*

THE GOVERNORS OF OUR STATES WANT IT PASSED.

THE MAYORS OF OUR CITIES WANT IT PASSED.

AND, THE PEOPLE WANT IT PASSED.

THAT IS WHY I AM WORKING FOR IT. THAT IS WHY I

DO NOT WANT IT TO BECOME A PARTISAN ISSUE.

THAT IS WHY I THINK IT WILL PASS.

new methods of Public financing Bank

IT ALSO MEANS PASSAGE OF THE NATIONAL DOMESTIC DEVELOPMENT

BANK ACT -- LEGISLATION I HAVE SPONSORED TO MAKE LOW COST LOANS

TO COMMUNITIES SO THAT THEY CAN MOVE AHEAD WITH PUBLIC FACILITIES --

THE HOSPITALS, THE PUBLIC BUILDINGS, THE SCHOOLS, THE DAY CARE

CENTERS, THE NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING HOUSES, THE WATER AND SEWER

PLANTS -- SO VITAL TO COMMUNITY LIFE.

40 yr loans -

9ml Cities

525,000

Total 567,000

my proposal
~~THE~~

IS SIMILAR TO THAT OF THE WORLD BANK, THE
INTERAMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK. *↳* IF WE CAN MAKE LOW COST LOANS TO
RIO DE JANEIRO, THEN WE CAN MAKE LOW COST LOANS AVAILABLE TO
NEWARK OR CAMDEN.

Finally

5. I'M RUNNING FOR PRESIDENT BECAUSE I KNOW THE PROBLEMS
OF THE COUNTRY. I KNOW ITS PEOPLE. I KNOW THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS.
AND, I KNOW THAT GIVEN THE RIGHT KIND OF LEADERSHIP, THIS COUNTRY
CAN MOVE AHEAD.

(Reason - not Violence)

*Change with order
order with change*

↳ WE HAVE MASSIVE NEEDS IN OUR CITIES.

WE ALSO HAVE MASSIVE DREAMS OF THE WAY THINGS SHOULD BE.

WE MUST BEGIN NOW TO DEVOTE THE KIND OF ENERGY AND

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FINANCIAL COMMITMENT NECESSARY TO MAKE OUR URBAN AREAS

PLACES WHERE PEOPLE CAN LIVE, AND FAMILIES CAN GROW TOGETHER.



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