

NOTES

VICE PRESIDENT HUBERT HUMPHREY

RESPONSE TO WELCOME TO

GALVESTON, TEXAS

August 4, 1967

Dr Roes
Judge Holbrook
Cong Jack Brooks
+ Charlotte

~~Fidelity~~

Texas City Hi-School Band
The Coronets - Ball Hi-Sch.

Mrs HH

~~Thank you, Mayor Shriver, for these keys~~
~~to your city of Galveston. You never know, I may need~~
~~to use them sometime.~~

Congressman Jack Brooks
9TH DIST

It is a real pleasure to be here -- regretablely,
some three months after I had expected to visit. As many
of you know, I was called back to Washington and could not
carry through my plans in late April.

At that time, I asked Dr. Edward Wenk, of the
National Council on Marine Resources and Engineering
Development, to carry on for me. He reported to me on
the gracious hospitality and the local initiative and
capabilities in marine sciences that I missed.

Apart from that inducement, I assured Congressman Brooks that I would be back, and I am.

This is an opportunity for me to learn more about a unique, highly developed shoreline area.

The three ports of Galveston, Texas City and Houston account for a tremendous volume of cargo movement -- in fact, ranking second in the country.

Shellfish grow in this coastal zone ^{on West Bay and Galveston Bay} ... the beaches afford attractive recreational areas ... there is fine sport fishing. Shrimp provide a significant source of income. And of course there is the development in this area of our vast, off-shore oil and gas reserves.

∟ The seawalls protecting Galveston Island from hurricanes, the Intracoastal Waterway, and the Houston Ship Channel are dramatic examples of using engineering science to modify the marine environment to man's benefit.

And the imaginative studies of Galveston Bay and activities of the air and water pollution agencies show what can be done to arrest the harm to our environment.

I look forward to learning more about the pioneering research in marine biology being carried on at both Texas A&M Laboratory and the BCF Laboratory. *Gov. of Commercial Fisheries*

I have been told something of the possibilities for new oceanographic facilities for Texas A&M University and the Gulf Universities Research Corporation on Pelican Island.

I look forward to seeing the site of the newly authorized public health hospital, a part of the University medical center.

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It will help provide answers to some of man's oldest problems.

Thank you for this chance to be with you.

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