

X/Behind Every Successful Man  
Surprised  
mother-in-law

Bob Baker - Lucann  
(Bishop Hayer) of Edna

REMARKS

Cong. Frank Evans

Steve McMichael  
Mrs. Blue

THE HONORABLE HUBERT H. HUMPHREY

It's a mark  
(never) Rogers

ACHIEVEMENT  
COLORADO WOMAN-OF-THE-YEAR CEREMONY

DENVER, COLORADO

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Woman Power

Be nice to the Ladies  
today, you may be  
working for one  
tomorrow

my  
Married

achievement

This ceremony honoring Colorado's Woman of the Year  
is an unusually appropriate occasion to consider the matter  
of strengthening the American family -- an issue I discussed  
frequently in the Presidential campaign last fall -- yet one  
which never received adequate coverage or discussion on  
television or in the newspapers.

One  
Person  
can  
make  
a  
difference!

At the core of American life is the family: an institution  
as old as time, yet as young and dynamic as our most  
enthusiastic hopes.

Women's Rights  
Dr. Samuel Johnson once said

"Nature has given women so  
much power that the law  
very wisely has given them little"



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*Influence Society*

~~Some persons have said that the family was not a proper issue to raise in a political campaign. I disagreed~~

↳ Society can -- and does -- influence family life.

↳ Government, according to its own integrity and strength of purpose, can alter the opportunities -- and thus the integrity, strength and purpose of individual families, especially the least fortunate.

*National economic Policies for family*

↳ National economic and social policies can affect the child <sup>+ do</sup> at play, the woman in her home, <sup>not work and</sup> or the man at work. (A vigorous, growing economy assures a family of a steady job, a good income, a sense of stability and dignity. A family growing up in a neighborhood free of slums, with good schools, green parks, wide streets, and imaginative cultural activities, can live at peace, and with hope.

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*Family Life Public  
matter of Policy*

National policies <sup>affecting</sup> ~~toward~~ schooling, ~~toward~~ social security and all the rest can dramatically expand -- or contract --

personal horizons. So family life is a proper matter of public policy, and a proper subject for political debate. And that is

why I chose to talk about the family last fall -- and why I raise the issue again today.

I believe that government must place priority on people -- and that government must give special concern to those measures which strengthen family ties -- for families are the bedrock of our society.

It is this question of governmental priorities that has prompted me in recent weeks to speak out against deployment of the Safeguard anti-ballistic missile system. This is why I have urged immediate beginning arms control negotiations with the Soviet Union in an attempt to control both offensive and defensive strategic weapons.

ABIM

*Danger to U.S. - within!*  
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I believe that the clear and present danger to the  
internal security of the United States -- arising from the  
urban crisis, rural poverty, educational deprivation, hunger,  
unemployment, inadequate health care -- makes ~~many~~ *many more*  
 unacceptable the proposition that we should spend billions  
 of dollars to acquire an ABM system which increases little,  
 if at all, the real security of this country.

~~And, I think the American people should speak out on  
 this issue -- speak out clearly and forcefully -- so that  
 Congress knows your views before any decisions are made  
 to proceed with the anti-ballistic missile system.~~

~~We all~~ know, ~~for example~~, how urgently we need these  
 resources to mount a broad-scale program of action to  
 strengthen family life. ~~At a minimum, the program would~~  
 include the following items: *For example -*

*(Enclosure - next Page)*



11 The True Test of Civilization is not the  
census, nor the size of cities, nor the crops  
but the kind of person the country  
turns out. Ralph Waldo Emerson

1 -- First, the extension of comprehensive pre-natal  
care to all women in low-income families, so that, so far  
as possible, every child will be born well. Family planning  
should also be regarded as a natural ingredient of these  
pre-natal health services -- available to any family that  
wanted it.

2 -- Second, increased emphasis should be placed on  
the early years of childhood, the years in which families  
are formed, and in which future lives are shaped. Many  
intellectual, social, emotional and physical problems have  
roots in early life. This is especially true of children from  
poor families, living in a world of bad health, poor housing, and little  
food, little or no clothing, and a hopeless, depressing  
environment.

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Neighborhood Health Centers!

I advocate extending medical care for all children in low-income families during the first year of life, placing special emphasis on nutrition, on dental care, and on crippling disabilities.

Medi  
Care

The hungry or ill-nourished child makes a mockery of a nation of dieters and weight watchers.

The young adult who has never had dental care, or who suffers a crippling disability which might have been prevented, drains his family and enters the world of work a poor second.

Educ

to Be sure Good medical care is essential for the very young. ~~But~~

~~to assure complete well being,~~ But to give each child the chance

to develop his full potential, pre-school programs should be extended as rapidly as possible so that by 1976 every parent who wishes can have pre-school experience for his child

Pre  
School

beginning at the age of four.

Learning!

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→ Hunger is inexcusable and intolerable in Prosperous Productive America. Every American family regardless of income, deserves and must have adequate food and good nutrition

Third, a child cannot thrive on an empty stomach. <sup>The</sup> ~~his~~ <sup>each child</sup> family must provide ~~him~~ with the essentials of life while he is growing up, and this means its income must be maintained at a decent level.

I have proposed increasing Social Security benefits over a four-year period so that every child of a deceased, disabled or retired beneficiary will not live in poverty. And so that a young person can complete his education in an increasingly complex society, his Social Security benefits should continue up to the age of 23 if he is regularly attending school.

Fourth, it is time we took a hard new look at our Nation's public welfare system, recognizing ~~both the enormous number of families it has sustained and kept together, and the many~~ <sup>that many</sup> ~~Americans~~ <sup>are</sup> critical of its standards, its paper work, and its cost.

well  
fare

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*much needed*

While ~~more~~ basic changes are being made by Congress,  
the states should be required to set a minimum standard of  
need for the over 4 million dependent children now on welfare.

*2* Fifth, recognizing the diverse needs and skills of our  
children and young people, and the varied careers they will  
follow when they head families themselves, we must continue  
to increase educational opportunities.

*1* I would propose, for example, to extend and improve  
vocational education. *We must assure*

every boy or girl who wishes to learn a relevant skill the  
chance to do so, *and modern* ~~but~~ to make ~~all~~ vocational education an  
exciting, rewarding and constructive experience.

We must also increase Federal financial aid for college  
students so that children from poor families -- as from all  
families -- will have a fair chance to enter and continue  
college.

*Educ  
Trust  
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from all  
States*

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And since we look on job experience as a useful and  
integral part of education, this nation must provide adequate  
summer jobs and training programs ~~throughout the land~~  
for young men and women.

*Handicapped* -- Sixth, our approach to family life should go beyond  
the recognition that normal children are varied, to a recognition  
of the needs of those with special problems.

*Trainable* For example, I would propose extending job opportunities  
for mentally retarded adults and young people. And I would  
enlarge preventive and rehabilitative services for the mentally  
retarded. The incidence of mental retardation is especially

high in our slums, with their lack of proper health care, *diet,*  
and ~~lack of~~ opportunity. In every segment of society, it is  
a heavy burden for families to bear and they need help.



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↳ The same is true of others who are handicapped -- the deaf or blind child -- the emotionally disturbed. ↳ Often emotionally ill children come to the attention of society, but somehow slip through its fingers and go on to commit deeds of anger and of sorrow.

↳ Equal attention must also be directed toward the gifted-child -- so that these young people can make the fullest contribution to society and lead emotionally-secure and happy lives.

⑤ Seventh, we must approach the problems inherent in strengthening family life with humility, understanding how much there is still to learn about them. We must extend research in all aspect of child life, aiming to prevent disabilities, and assure the constructive development of both parent and child.

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yes

A child is part of a family. His parent's experiences,  
their joy, their bitterness, their success and failure, condition  
him. He grows under the day-in and day-out influence of  
the world as they see it. --

↳ In the same way the family is part of society. It is  
the basic social system which supports children as they grow.  
Society, which profoundly influences the world in which a  
family lives, must try to meet its entire needs so that the  
child's home nurtures him -- and his parents.

↳ To these people who say we cannot afford these services  
to strengthen the American family, I say: Is there anything  
more urgent or more essential in securing the happiness and  
health of our citizens?

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It is just a question of priorities and planning.

Once we seriously address ourselves to the difficult task of shifting our resources from works of war to works of peace, we will discover that all this, and more, will be possible.

~~I say the time has come to sit down with the Soviet Union to see whether the nuclear arms race can be controlled. And I believe the American people agree with me.~~

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IT IS HARD TO THINK OF MARK HOGAN AS ANYTHING BUT A NATIVE COLORADAN BECAUSE HE HAS CERTAINLY TAKEN TO COLORADO AND COLORADO TO HIM. BEFORE COMING HERE FROM CHICAGO WHERE HE WAS BORN, MARK GRADUATED FROM GEORGE TOWN UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, D.C. AND SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY AS A LIEUTENANT, JUNIOR GRADE. SINCE COMING TO COLORADO A LITTLE OVER TEN YEARS AGO, MARK HAS ACCRUED A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF IMPORTANT AND IMPRESSIVE HONORS AND RESPONSIBILITIES. HE IS A PAST PRESIDENT OF THE DENVER JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, PAST CO-CHAIRMAN AND TRUSTEE METROPOLITAN DENVER UNITED FUND, PAST CHAIRMAN CANCER SOCIETY DRIVE, RECIPIENT OF THE DENVER AND COLORADO JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD, RECIPIENT OF THE HISTADRUT FREEDOM AWARD PRESENTED BY THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR LABOR ISRAEL. MARK WAS ELECTED IN 1962 AND IN 1964 TO THE COLORADO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND WAS ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER. IN APRIL OF 1966, MARK ANNOUNCED FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, WON A DECISIVE PRIMARY VICTORY IN SEPTEMBER, AND WENT ON TO WIN THE GENERAL ELECTION.

MARK'S BUSINESS CAREER HAS BEEN EQUALLY SUCCESSFUL. HE IS THE PRESIDENT AND PARTNER OF HOGAN-STEVENSON REAL ESTATE.

AND THAT ISN'T ALL. MARK AND HIS LOVELY WIFE, NANCY, HAVE ANOTHER GREAT SUCCESS - A FINE FAMILY OF FIVE CHILDREN ALL BORN IN COLORADO.

ADDITIONALLY, AND DON'T LET THE CAST FOOL YOU, I UNDERSTAND HE IS QUITE A BASKETBALL PLAYER. POLITICS COULDN'T BE THAT ROUGH. IT MUST BE BASKETBALL!

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THE HONORABLE MARK HOGAN, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF COLORADO.

THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, BOB, FOR THAT KIND INTRODUCTION. BISHOP THAYER AND OUR DISTINGUISHED HONOREES, OUR DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER

THIS EVENING LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

THE BACKGROUND AND RECORD OF HUBERT HUMPHREY IS WELL KNOWN - HOW HE ROSE FROM THE FAMILY DRUG STORE TO BECOME AN IMAGINATIVE TEACHER, A SUCCESSFUL CRIME FIGHTING MAYOR, A CREATIVE SENATOR AND ACTIVIST VICE-PRESIDENT AND A COURAGEOUS PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE. WHAT IS NOT SO WELL REMEMBERED IS HOW MUCH THE LIVES OF ORDINARY PEOPLE IN AMERICA AND IN THE WORLD HAVE BEEN ENRICHED BY HUBERT HUMPHREY. HUMANITY HAS ALWAYS BEEN FIRST IN HIS HEART AND IN HIS MIND. MANY OF THE GUARANTEES OF HUMAN DIGNITY THAT ARE TAKEN FOR GRANTED TODAY WERE FIRST BROUGHT BEFORE THE PUBLIC BY HUBERT HUMPHREY, AND TO RECITE THEM WOULD TAKE MORE TIME TH-T I OUGHT TO TAKE FOR ALL OF US'. WOULD RATHER HEAR HIS IDEAS FOR THE FUTURE THAN REMINISCE ABOUT HIS PAST. I SHOULD TELL YOU THAT, IN THE PAST FEW MONTHS, HE HAS ASSUMED NEW POSITIONS - PROFESSOR OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, McALLISTER COLLEGE IN MINNESOTA, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANNICA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION, MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY AND CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF THE WOODROW WILSON INSTITUTE. IN THESE POSITIONS, AS IN ALL OTHERS, MR. HUMPHREY HAS ALWAYS BEEN AN ACTIVIST, A CATALYST, A MAN FOR PROGRESS AND FOR CHANGE. HIS CHALLENGES TO YOUTH, INDEED TO ALL OF US, ARE TO CARE ENOUGH TO BECOME INVOLVED - TOTALLY INVOLVED, AND I THINK IT MOST APPROPRIATE THAT COLUMBIA SAVINGS AND LOAN HAS BROUGHT THIS MAN OF ACHIEVEMENT TO HONOR COLORADO'S WOMEN OF ACHIEVEMENT. IT IS MY HONOR AND MY PLEASURE TO GIVE YOU A GREAT MAN AND A GOOD FRIEND, THE FORMER VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, THE HONORABLE HUBERT H. HUMPHREY.



THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU VERY MUCH LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, MY VERY DEAR AND GOOD FRIEND, MARK HOGAN AND HIS LOVELY WIFE, NANCY, A SPECIAL FAVORITE OF MINE, BOB BAKER AND LOUANN. BOB, WHILE YOU'VE BEEN SO BUSY OVER HERE, I'VE BEEN TALKING TO YOUR LOVELY WIFE, AND I'M SO PLEASED THAT YOU HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF MARRYING A YOUNG LADY THAT COULD SPEND SEVERAL YEARS IN MINNESOTA HELPING US WITH OUR EDUCATION. YOU, SIR, GETTING ACQUAINTED WITH A LAKE IN THE STATE OF 10,000 LAKES. BISHOP THAYER, MRS. BLUE AND MY FRIEND, STEVE McNICHOLS AND CONGRESSMAN, FRANK EVANS, AND THE RECIPIENTS TONIGHT OF THESE OUTSTANDING AWARDS FOR THE COLORADO WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT AND MY FELLOW AMERICANS:

YOU KNOW IF YOU'RE GOING TO BE INTRODUCED AT A DINNER LIKE THIS, WHICH IS REALLY A LOVELY DINNER, IT IS SO GOOD TO BE INTRODUCED BY A PERSON THAT WILL VIEW YOU WITH LESS THAN OBJECTIVITY, AND MARK IS ONE OF THESE DELIGHTFUL HUMAN BEINGS THAT FORGIVES YOU OF ALL OF YOUR WEAKNESSES AND SINS AND LIMITATIONS AND, WHEN HE GETS UP TO INTRODUCE YOU, HE JUST FEELS SO GOOD. ALMOST FEEL LIKE I WON, MARK.

I LOVE TO COME BACK TO THIS BEAUTIFUL STATE OF COLORADO. IN FACT, SOME PEOPLE HAVE COMMENTED ON IT. THEY SAY THAT IT SEEMS THAT EVERY TIME MR. HUMPHREY HAS A CHANCE TO TRAVEL ANYWHERE TO THE WEST HE STOPS OFF IN DENVER. WHAT'S GOIN' ON? BUT DON'T BE SUSPICIOUS. IT'S JUST THAT I LOVE IT HERE. ONCE I WAS HERE AS A VERY YOUNG MAN ATTENDING SCHOOL AND I HAVE LOVED TO COME BACK. AND MRS. HUMPHREY LOVES TO COME BACK, TOO. SHE, AS A CHILD, AS A YOUNG LADY, USED TO COME HERE WITH HER FATHER AND HER MOTHER TO VISIT IN THE MOUNTAIN AREAS, TO GO FISHING AND TO HAVE GREAT OUTDOOR FUN. SO THE HUMPHREYS ARE KIND OF IN LOVE WITH COLORADO AND PARTICULARLY WITH THIS WONDERFUL, GREAT WESTERN CITY OF DENVER AND WE ARE JUST SO PLEASED THAT YOU

RECEIVE US WITH SUCH KINDNESS AND SUCH HOSPITALITY. TODAY HAS BEEN A GREAT DAY FOR ME HERE IN YOUR STATE. I HAVE BEEN AT ALAMOSA AT ADAMS STATE COLLEGE, ONE OF YOUR FINE STATE COLLEGES, A SMALLER COLLEGE TO BE SURE, BUT I HAD SUCH GOOD FUN IN THAT VALLEY COMMUNITY. IT WAS A DELIGHTFUL EXPERIENCE - WONDERFUL YOUNG PEOPLE, FINE CITIZENS, GOOD FACULTY, AND WE JUST HAD A BALL, AS THEY SAY, AND I LOVED EVERY MINUTE OF IT. AND TODAY I HAVE HAD A CHANCE, OF COURSE, OF BEING HERE AND VISITING WITH SOME OF MY GOOD FRIENDS FROM DENVER AND OTHER PARTS OF THIS STATE, AND TO HAVE FRANK EVANS COME HERE, THIS FINE, GOOD FRIEND FROM - WELL, HOW DO THEY PRONOUNCE IT NOW? IT USED TO BE PUEBLO, PUABLO? AM I DOING BETTER? I REMEMBER BEING THERE WITH FRANK ON AN OCCASION, MY REPUBLICAN FRIENDS WILL FORGIVE ME, WHEN IT WAS VERY HOT AND WINDY. SOME PEOPLE ATTRIBUTED BOTH OF THOSE CLIMATIC CONDITIONS TO MY SPEECH. BUT IT WAS SUCH A PLEASURE. SO I COME HERE TONIGHT AND JUST FEEL WARM AND REWARDED BY ALL THAT HAS TRANSPIRED THUS FAR, THE RECEPTION, THE DINNER, THESE LOVELY YOUNG LADIES HERE THAT GREETED US AS WE CAME INTO THIS FINE BANQUET HALL AND THEY AGAIN HAVE ESCORTED THE RECIPIENTS OF THESE DISTINGUISHED AWARDS TO THIS PLACE OF HONOR WHERE MRS. BLUE COULD, ALONG WITH MR. LORIE, PRESENT THESE AWARDS, AND BOB BAKER. IT'S REALLY QUITE A NIGHT. AND SOMETIMES, YOU KNOW, RATHER THAN BEING SO STUFFY AND FORMAL, WE JUST PLAIN OUGHT TO ENJOY IT. IT'S REALLY THE RIGHT THING TO DO. AND ONE OF THE REASONS I LOVE TO COME TO THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA AND OUT HERE TO THE WEST, AS THEY CALL IT BACK EAST, IS BECAUSE IT'S JUST A LITTLE MORE INFORMAL; BECAUSE THERE'S A LITTLE MORE ROOM TO LIVE AND TO GROW AND TO DEVELOP AND TO BREATHE AND TO BE SOMETHING AND TO BE SOMEBODY AND I COME HERE TONIGHT WITH THAT FEELING IN HEART AND IN MIND ABOUT THIS EVENING.

I WANT TO CONGRATULATE COLUMBIA SAVINGS FOR WHAT THEY'RE DOING HERE TONIGHT. THERE IS SO MUCH BAD NEWS THAT IS PROJECTED TO THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTRY THAT SOMETIMES WE ALMOST LOSE FAITH IN EVERYTHING THAT THIS COUNTRY STANDS FOR. HOW GOOD IT IS TO SEE A CAMERAMAN TAKING PICTURES OF PEOPLE THAT HAVE DONE SOMETHING GOOD - AND EVEN TELEVISION WAS DOING IT. THE TRUTH IS, AN AWFUL LOT OF GOOD THINGS THAT ARE HAPPENING ALL OVER OUR COUNTRY AND IT IS WONDERFUL TO TAKE A FEW MOMENTS OUT, EVEN A FEW HOURS - AND LOUANN SAID "HOW LONG WILL IT BE?" I CAN'T PROMISE YOU THAT IT WILL BE LESS THAN A FEW HOURS, LOUANN - TAKE OUT A FEW MOMENTS TO REALLY RECOGNIZE PEOPLE WHO HAVE GIVEN OF THEMSELVES, WHO HAVE PROVEN THAT ADAGE THAT ONE PERSON CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND ONE PERSON CAN - A GREAT DIFFERENCE. IN FACT, IF YOU ARE IN PUBLIC LIFE, YOU WILL FIND OUT HOW IMPORTANT EACH PERSON IS - PARTICULARLY IN A CLOSE ELECTION. VERY IMPORTANT. AND HOW GOOD IT IS TONIGHT TO RECOGNIZE PEOPLE LIKE MISS GARNETT, MRS. PELLET, MRS. ROSSI AND MRS. NEAL WHO HAVE MADE A GREAT DIFFERENCE; A GREAT DIFFERENCE FOR THIS STATE, FOR THEIR LOCALITIES, THEIR COMMUNITIES, FOR THIS NATION AND FOR OUR WHOLE LIVING ENVIRONMENT. AND I WANT TO JOIN EVERYONE HERE TONIGHT AND I THINK WE OUGHT TO GIVE THEM ONE MORE BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE TO CONGRATULATE THESE WONDERFUL WOMEN OF ACHIEVEMENT OF COLORADO FOR THEIR SINGULAR ACHIEVEMENTS, FOR WHAT THEY HAVE MEANT TO THE STATE OF COLORADO AND TO THIS NATION. NOW I AM FULLY AWARE - AND, BY THE WAY, THE WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT IN MY FAMILY IS NOT HERE. I HAVE TWO WOMEN OF ACHIEVEMENT IN MY FAMILY. NUMBER ONE WOMAN IS IN FORT WAYNE, INDIANA TONIGHT DOING WHAT SHE WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO DO, EVEN THOUGH IT ISN'T EASY BECAUSE IT ISN'T EASY TO GET FROM MINNEAPOLIS TO FORT WAYNE BELIEVE IT OR NOT, BUT SHE IS THERE TONIGHT

ADDRESSING THE STATE ASSOCIATION FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF THE PHYSICALLY AND EMOTIONALLY HANDICAPPED. AS YOU KNOW, MRS. HUMPHREY IS A MEMBER OF THE PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE ON MENTAL RETARDATION AND SHE HAS TAKEN A GREAT INTEREST IN THIS, AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, BECAUSE WE HAVE HAD THE TRAGEDY, OR SHOULD I SAY AT TIMES EVEN THE BLESSING, OF A LITTLE GRAND-DAUGHTER THAT IS MENTALLY RETARDED AND MRS. HUMPHREY HAS GIVEN A GREAD DEAL OF HER LIFE TO HELPING OTHER PEOPLE. SO SHE'S THERE. SHE IS THE WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT, SHE IS THE PERSON OF ACHIEVEMENT BY THE WAY, IN THE HUMPHREY FAMILY, I THINK THE NATION WAS REALLY CHEATED. I MIGHT SAY THAT'S THE ONLY REASON I REGRET THE ELECTION RESULTS AT ALL. AND THEN I HAVE A DAUGHTER, NANCY, WHO IS ALSO A VERY FINE WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT. A YOUNG LADY THAT STUDIED TO BE A NURSE, MOTHER OF THREE CHILDREN, SOON TO HAVE A FOURTH - SHE IS A REMARKABLE WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT. AND THEN MY SONS ARE DOING WELL. THEY'RE MARRYING WOMEN OF ACHIEVEMENT! SO I AM VERY GRATEFUL. AS A MATTER OF FACT, I TELL THESE SONS OF MINE THAT THEY MUST BE VERY, VERY FUSSY. THEY HAVE TO BRING THE GIRLS TO ME FOR GENERAL APPROVAL BEFORE ANYTHING HAPPENS. UP TO NOW, THAT HASN'T HAPPENED BUT FORTUNATELY I'VE BEEN LUCKY. SO WE HAVE MANY WOMEN OF ACHIEVEMENT IN THE HUMPHREY FAMILY. I READ NOT LONG AGO THAT BEHIND EVERY SUCCESSFUL MAN, AND YOU HAVE ALL HEARD IT SO MANY TIMES, STANDS A SURPRISED MOTHER-IN-LAW. AND I AM SURE YOU WOULD AGREE WITH ME THAT THAT IS THE CASE.

I REMEMBER ONE TIME WHEN PRESIDENT JOHNSON WAS ADDRESSING AN AUDIENCE LIKE THIS AT THE WOMEN'S NATIONAL PRESS CLUB AND HE SAID, LOOKING OUT AT ALL THE MEN, HE SAID, "GENTLEMEN, BE NICE TO THE LADIES TODAY, YOU MAY BE WORKING FOR ONE TOMORROW." AND THAT IS SO TRUE. THE AMERICAN

WOMAN - WHAT A REMARKABLE, WONDERFUL PERSON. I TOLD LOUANN THIS, MRS. BAKER, WHILE WE WERE SITTING HERE. I LIKE TO VISIT, YOU KNOW, AT THE TABLE. THIS BUSINESS OF EATING ALL THE TIME'S NOT ENOUGH. AND I SAID, "I HAVE TRAVELED THIS WORLD OVER AND I THINK I HAVE SEEN MANY PEOPLE AND GOTTEN TO KNOW A NUMBER, BUT THERE IS NOBODY IN THE WORLD LIKE THE AMERICAN WOMAN. SHE IS ATTRACTIVE, SHE IS EDUCATED (MORE OF THEM THAN ANY OTHER GROUP OF WOMEN), SHE IS, IN A SENSE, MORE PHYSICALLY HEALTHY, EMOTIONALLY HEALTHY AND SHE IS A PERSON THAT GIVES OF HERSELF TO HER FAMILY, TO HER LOVED ONES AND TO HER COMMUNITY. AND BESIDES THAT, MOST OF THEM ARE DELIGHTFUL CHARACTERS. NOW, OF COURSE, THEY CAUSE US MEN A CERTAIN DEGREE OF TROUBLE BUT THAT COMES WITH THE DEAL, YOU KNOW. WE KNOW THAT. BUT I THINK SOMETIMES WE FAIL TO APPRECIATE THAT BECAUSE WE LOOK AT THE BRITISH NOBILITY AND WE SAY "OH, LOOK AT PRINCESS MARGARET OR QUEEN ELIZABETH OR THE DUCHESS OF THIS OR THE DUCHESS OF THAT." I DON'T WANT TO, IN ANY WAY, CAST ASPERSIONS ON ANYBODY ELSE, BUT I WILL GUARANTEE YOU THAT, WITHOUT NOBILITY, WE HAVE MORE WONDERFUL PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTRY OF THE FEMININE SEX THAN ANY COUNTRY ON THE FACE OF THE EARTH AND FRANKLY I LIKE 'EM AND I'M GLAD I DO. SO TONIGHT I SALUTE NOT ONLY THOSE WOMEN WHO HAVE BEEN HONORED HERE BUT I WANT TO SALUTE ALL OF THOSE THAT ARE HERE AND THOSE THAT ARE NOT HERE. THEY REPRESENT, WHAT I CALL, ONE OF THE GREAT POWER FORCES IN AMERICA. I'VE HEARD NOW OF STUDENT POWER, BLACK POWER, REPUBLICAN POWER AND DEMOCRATIC POWER BUT FELLOWS WATCH OUT. WOMAN POWER! IT'S SOMETHING. WELL, I JOKINGLY OFTEN SAY THAT NO ONE EVER REMEMBERS FATHER'S DAY AND MANY PEOPLE REMEMBER MOTHER'S DAY - I HOPE THEY ALL DO - AND SOMETIMES I TELL MRS. HUMPHREY THAT SHE SHOULDN'T EXPECT TOO MUCH FROM ME. I SAID "WHEN YOU GIRLS COMPLAIN, JUST REMEMBER THAT YOU GET ALL THE HONORS. DID ANYBODY EVER HEAR THEM SING ABOUT FATHER MACHREE." NO, NOT EVEN AN IRISHMAN SINGS ABOUT FATHER MACHREE. AND DID ANYBODY REALLY PAY ANY ATTENTION



TO FATHER'S DAY EXCEPT TO BUY HIM A TIE THAT YOU WERE GOING TO GET HIM ANYWAY, OR THAT HE SPILLED ON IT EARLIER AND THAT YOU NEEDED TO GET HIM A NEW ONE. BUT MOTHERS AND OUR LADIES TAKE A VERY SPECIAL PLACE IN OUR LIVES, AND I THOUGHT THAT MAY BE THE BEST WAY TO SAY THIS, MARK, SINCE YOU ARE QUITE A MAN OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND HAVE A GREAT RECORD IN THIS STATE OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND MUCH MORE I AM SURE TO COME, IS TO REMEMBER WHAT DR. SAMUEL JOHNSON ONCE SAID. AND DR. SAMUEL JOHNSON SURELY KNEW A LOT ABOUT WOMEN, I WON'T GO INTO DETAIL. IF YOU WANT TO SEE ME LATER, I WILL JUST TELL YOU HE REALLY DID - SECOND ONLY TO BENJAMIN FRANKLIN. DR. SAMUEL JOHNSON, SPEAKING AT A TIME WHEN WOMEN WERE DEMANDING MORE RIGHTS, WROTE THE FOLLOWING. HE SAID "NATURE HAS GIVEN WOMEN SO MUCH POWER THAT THE LAW VERY WISELY HAS GIVEN THEM LITTLE." THIS IS WHAT WE MEAN BY EQUAL RIGHTS, FELLOWS. I REMEMBER WHEN WE WERE TRYING TO PASS LEGISLATION, THE CONGRESS, THAT WAS CALLED EQUAL RIGHTS LEGISLATION AND I THOUGHT POSSIBLY THEY WERE GOING TO PASS SOMETHING THAT WOULD HELP THE MEN. BUT IT TURNED OUT I WAS WRONG. BUT I WANT YOU TO KNOW I VOTED FOR IT ANYWAY. I KNEW WHERE THE POWER WAS.

TONIGHT I WANT TO BE JUST A LITTLE SERIOUS WITH YOU ABOUT PART OF OUR LIFE THAT IS SO FUNDAMENTAL AND SO BASIC. I DON'T MEAN TO BE OVERLY SERIOUS OR PONTIFICAL. BISHOP THAYER HAS GIVEN US THE INVOCATION AND HAS GIVEN US THE SPIRITUAL MESSAGE OF THE EVENING. THE CITATIONS HAVE SAID EVERYTHING THAT NEEDS TO BE SAID TONIGHT. BUT I'M HERE AND I MADE A LONG TRIP AND I'M GOING TO SAY WHAT I WANT TO SAY ANYWAY. BUT I WANT VERY MUCH TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE FAMILY TO OUR GOVERNMENT. YOU'RE CONSTANTLY HEARING ABOUT THE GOVERNMENT AND LABOR, THE GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS, THE

GOVERNMENT AND EDUCATION, THE GOVERNMENT AND THIS GROUP OR THAT GROUP, BUT FOR SOME PECULIAR REASON THOSE OF US EVEN IN PUBLIC LIFE HAVE NEVER QUITE SPENT ENOUGH TIME TALKING ABOUT THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE, BY THE PEOPLE AND FOR THE PEOPLE AND IT'S RELATIONSHIP TO THE BASIC STRUCTURE, THE FUNDAMENTAL SOCIAL INSTITUTION CALLED THE FAMILY. I SOMETIMES THINK WE'D BE BETTER OFF IF WE'D JUDGE WHAT GOVERNMENT DOES AND WHAT IT DOESN'T DO AND WHAT IT SHOULD DO AND WHAT IT OUGHT TO DO BY THE MEASUREMENT OR THE YARDSTICK OF THE FAMILY - THE STRENGTHENING OF THE AMERICAN FAMILY. NOW IT'S COMMONPLACE, TRITE BUT IT'S STILL TRUE AND I THINK MOST OF THE PROBLEMS THAT THIS COUNTRY FACES TODAY ARE RELATED TO WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE FAMILY. AND IT'S NOT EASY TO BE A FAMILY THESE DAYS. IT'S NOT EASY WHEN YOU'RE IN PUBLIC LIFE. I'M SURE EVERY PUBLIC OFFICIAL HERE COULD TELL YOU THAT. IF I HAVE ANY REGRETS IN MY LIFE, IT'S NOT THE ELECTIONS THAT I LOST - IT'S THE TIME THAT I DIDN'T HAVE WITH MY CHILDREN, MY WIFE, MY FAMILY. THAT IS ONE OF THE PRICES THAT PUBLIC LIFE SEEMS TO EXTRACT. CORPORATE LIFE DOES EXACTLY THE SAME THING. THE MENFOLK ARE REQUIRED TO TRAVEL HERE AND YON. THE PRESSURES, THE SOCIAL PRESSURES UPON FAMILY LIFE TODAY ARE FAR BEYOND ANYTHING WE HAVE EVERY KNOWN BEFORE. THE MOBILITY OF OUR PEOPLE WITH THE AUTOMOBILE, THE AIRPLANE HAS CHANGED THE WHOLE FAMILY LIFE. INDEED OUR AFFLUENCE HAS CHANGED IT. I THINK THE GREAT QUESTION BEFORE THIS COUNTRY IS DO WE REALLY KNOW HOW TO LIVE WITH PROSPERITY. HAVE WE LEARNED THE KIND OF SELF-DISCIPLINE OR HAVE WE ESTABLISHED THE PERSONAL VALUES THAT PERMITS US TO REALLY ENJOY PROSPERITY? I DOUBT THAT I HAVE. AS A MATTER OF FACT, I'M SURE I HAVEN'T. I HAVE NEVER HAD BETTER ECONOMIC CONDITIONS THAT I HAVE NOW AND LESS TIME FOR WHAT I THINK IS REALLY IMPORTANT AND I KEEP SAYING

TO MYSELF "WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH YOU." AND I THINK MOST OF THE MEN IN THIS ROOM WOULD SAY THE SAME THING. ONE OF THE PRICES THAT WE SEEM TO PAY IN THIS COUNTRY FOR WHAT WE CALL SUCCESS IS BEING TERRIBLY BUSY. TRUTH IS THAT THE PEOPLE THAT ARE MOST SUCCESSFUL ARE CALLED UPON TO BE MORE BUSY THAN EVER. THAT'S WHY WE SAY IF YOU REALLY WANT TO GET SOMETHING DONE, ASK A BUSY MAN TO DO IT OR A BUSY PERSON. AND YET AS I SAY THIS I AM REMINDED OF THE FACT THAT THERE ARE MILLIONS OF WOMEN IN AMERICA THAT ARE ANXIOUS TO DO SOMETHING FOR THEIR COMMUNITY AND FOR THEIR COUNTRY, AND WE HAVEN'T YET LEARNED HOW TO HARNESS, THAT A POOR WORD, BUT WE HAVEN'T LEARNED HOW TO MOBILIZE THAT GREAT WOMAN POWER THAT IS THERE. WOMEN TODAY WHOSE FAMILIES HAVE GROWN COME INTO THEIR MATURITY, ARE HEALTHY, INTELLIGENT, INFORMED AND THEY WANT TO DO SOMETHING. AND THERE IS A KIND OF LONELINESS, AND YOU KNOW IT, AND THERE IS A WONDERING OF WHAT LIFE IS ALL ABOUT, AND YOU KNOW IT. AND THIS IS WHY MANY A WOMAN TODAY AT AGE 40-45 IS RETURNING TO THE UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGE TO STUDY TRYING TO FIND A REASON FOR LIFE. THIS IS WHY TODAY THERE ARE MILLIONS OF PEOPLE IN AMERICA THAT ARE GIVING THEMSELVES TO VOLUNTARY SERVICE WHICH IS THE SAVING GRACE OF THIS COUNTRY, WHICH IS WHAT I THINK BRINGS SOME SENSE OF HUMANITY INTO WHAT WE SEEK TO DO. I HAVE HAD MANY PEOPLE SAY "WELL, THE GOVERNMENT OUGHT TO DO THIS, THE GOVERNMENT OUGHT TO DO THAT" AND I'VE HEARD THAT ALL MY LIFE AND I SOMETIMES BEGIN TO ACT LIKE THAT. THE FACT IS THAT IF THE GOVERNMENT COULD DO EVERYTHING THAT YOU WANTED IT TO DO, IT WOULD BE WRONG TO HAVE IT DO IT. WE DO NOT WANT A SOCIETY IN WHICH PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND PUBLIC POLICY AND LAW AND STATUTE AND ORDINANCE IS WHAT GOVERNS EVERY ACTION OF OURS OR COMMITS OUR ENERGIES TO WHATEVER PURPOSE THAT WE DEEM NECESSARY. WE SIMPLY MUST HAVE THE WILLINGNESS TO GIVE OF OURSELVES VOLUNTARILY OUT OF OUR OWN ENERGIES AND

OUR OWN RESOURCES BECAUSE WE BELIEVE IT'S RIGHT RATHER THAN HAVING GOVERNMENT EDICT TELL US THAT WE OUGHT TO DO IT. THIS IS WHAT WE MEAN BY THE PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE. AND I WANT PEOPLE LIKE IN THIS ROOM, AND THERE ARE THE VERY FORTUNATE PEOPLE IN THIS ROOM. I LOOK OVER THIS AUDIENCE, IT'S A VERY DISTINGUISHED AUDIENCE, AND WE ARE THE FORTUNATE ONES IN THIS SOCIETY AND, BECAUSE WE ARE VERY FORTUNATE, WE HAVE MORE TO GIVE AND WE HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO GIVE MORE. I HAVE NEVER FORGOTTEN THAT I HAVE HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF A HIGHER EDUCATION. I DON'T KNOW WHETHER IT HAD THE PROPER EFFECT BUT I KNOW THE TAXPAYERS AND THE DONORS MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR ME TO HAVE IT AND I TELL YOUNG PEOPLE FROM ONE END OF THIS LAND TO THE OTHER THAT WHEN THEY TELL ME THAT THEY'RE PAYING THEIR WAY THROUGH COLLEGE I SAY, "HOW CAN YOU PAY FOR SHAKESPEARE, FOR RENOIR, FOR REMBRANDT, FOR MICHELANGELO, LEONARDO DAVINCI? HOW CAN YOU PAY FOR THE WRITINGS OF PLATO, ARISTOTLE?" IT'S IMPOSSIBLE, SO WE ARE ALL REALLY VERY SUBSIDIZED PEOPLE, THOSE OF US THAT ARE FORTUNATE, AND I HAVE LOOKED OVER THE BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES, AS WE SAY, OF MANY OF THE PEOPLE IN THIS ROOM TONIGHT AND WE HAVE GONE TO UNIVERSITIES AND TO COLLEGES AND WE HAVE HAD A CHANCE AS FEW OTHER PEOPLE IN THE WORLD HAVE EVER HAD. THEREFORE, WE OWE SO MUCH.

NOW HOW DOES ALL OF THIS THEN FIT IN WITH WHAT WE, I HOPE, STILL BELIEVE IS NECESSARY AND THAT IS THE FAMILY. WHAT DOES PUBLIC POLICY MEAN TO IT? WHAT DOES INDIVIDUAL POLICY MEAN? WELL, I HAPPEN TO THINK THAT THE FAMILY IS STILL, EVEN THOUGH IT'S A RATHER OLD FASHIONED WORD AND TERM, I BELIEVE IT'S YET YOUNG AND DYNAMIC AS OUR MOST ENTHUSIASTIC HOPES. I CAN'T IMAGINE A SOCIAL STRUCTURE WITHOUT A FAMILY AND YET I THINK IT IS ALSO FAIR TO SAY AFTER WE PAY OUR TRIBUTE TO THE FAMILY, WHAT IS THE IMPACT OF OUR SOCIETY ON THAT FAMILY. NOW I HEAR MANY OF MY WELL-TO-DO FRIENDS AND MANY

OF MY FORTUNATE FRIENDS SPEAK ABOUT HOW MUCH THEY DO FOR OTHER PEOPLE. I WANT TO SAY QUITE CADIDLY THAT THE SOCIETY AND THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH YOU LIVE, IT'S STANDARDS WILL HAVE AS MUCH TO DO WITH THE UPBRINGING OF YOUR CHILDREN AS WHAT YOU, AS A MOTHER OR A FATHER, DO. YOUR CHILDREN ARE AWAY FROM HOME MORE HOURS THAN THEY'RE HOME NOWADAYS, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THEY'RE IN THE HANDS OF A TEACHER MORE THAN THEY ARE OF A MOTHER. THEY'RE OUT IN PUBLIC PLAYGROUNDS AND PUBLIC STREETS MORE THAN THEY'RE IN YOUR OWN, DO YOU STILL CALL IT YARD AROUND HERE? IT'S HARD TO KNOW NOWADAYS WHAT WE CALL THESE THINGS. BUT THAT'S THE WAY IT IS AROUND OUR HOUSE. IN OTHER WORDS, WHAT HAPPENS TO THEM IN THAT OTHER PART OF THEIR LIFE, THE COMMUNITY, HAS AS MUCH OR MAYBE MORE INFLUENCE ON THEIR LIVES AND WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU HAVE THEM AT THE BREAKFAST TABLE, THE LUNCHEON, THE DINNER, OR AS WE USED TO SAY IN THE MIDWEST DINNER AND SUPPER, AND WHAT YOU COULD SAY TO THEM. THAT IS WHY EDUCATION IS IMPORTANT. THAT IS WHY THE QUALITY OF TEACHERS IS IMPORTANT. THIS IS WHY PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS ARE IMPORTANT. THAT IS WHY LAW AND ORDER AND ALL THAT IT MEANS IN TERMS OF SOCIAL JUSTICE IS IMPORTANT. THAT IS WHY YOUR CITY IS IMPORTANT. MORE PEOPLE IN AMERICA LIVE IN CITIES EVERY DAY. AND I THINK THAT ALL THE PREACHING ABOUT THE FAMILY IS SHEER HYPOCRISY UNLESS WE ARE GOING TO BUILD CITIES THAT ARE WORTHY OF GOD'S FINEST CREATION - MAN, THE HUMAN BEING. NOW I'M NOT RECOMMENDING THAT EVERYBODY LIVE IN THE CITY BUT I DON'T HAVE MUCH TO SAY ABOUT IT. THERE IS FREEDOM OF CHOICE IN THIS COUNTRY AND BY THE YEAR 2,000 85% OF THE AMERICANS ARE GOING TO BE LIVING IN LARGE CITIES. I WISH IT WERE NOT SO. I THINK THERE'S MANY OTHER VALUES IN THE WORLD, MANY OTHER VALUES IN OUR COUNTRY AND I WANT TO SEE PUBLIC POLICY TRY TO SEE IF WE CAN'T GET SOME SPREAD OF OUR POPULATION. WHATEVER



IT IS, WHETHER IT'S RURAL AMERICA OR URBAN AMERICA, WHATEVER THE FUTURE, THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS THAT URBAN OR RURAL SOCIETY OF YOUR NATION IS GOING TO CONDITION THE LIFE OF YOUR FAMILY - OR HUSBAND, WIFE, FATHER, MOTHER, SON AND DAUGHTER - AS MUCH OR MORE AS ANYTHING THAT HAPPENS AT YOUR FAMILY'S HOME. SO WHEN WE TALK ABOUT HAVING NICE HOMES AND I HEAR PEOPLE - -, WE'RE - AS PARENTS, YOU KNOW, I'VE HAD ALL THE LIMITATIONS AND ALL THE HOPES AND ASPIRATIONS OF THE AVERAGE AMERICAN. I'VE ALWAYS WANTED A NICE HOME FOR MY CHILDREN. I NOW HAVE TWO VERY BEAUTIFUL HOMES. THE CHILDREN ARE ALL GROWN UP. WHEN I HAD FOUR LITTLE CHILDREN, I DIDN'T HAVE A NICE, BEAUTIFUL HOME. THE WHOLE BLAMED BUSINESS WAS UPSIDE DOWN. THE TIME WHEN YOU CAN AFFORD TO HAVE A HOME, YOU DON'T HAVE THE KIDS. THE TIME THAT YOU HAVE THE KIDS, SOMETIMES YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO HAVE THE HOME. THANK GOODNESS FOR SAVINGS. IS THAT ALL RIGHT, BOB? IS THAT ALL RIGHT? BUT I KNOW THIS, THAT NO MATTER HOW GOOD A HOME MRS. HUMPHREY AND I HAVE CREATED FOR NANCY AND HUBERT AND ROBERT AND DOUGLAS, NO MATTER HOW GOOD A HOME WE HAVE FOR OUR LITTLE GRANDCHILDREN, I LOVE THEM WITH A PASSION, WHAT HAPPENS IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD AND IN THEIR COMMUNITY IS GOING TO HAVE AS MUCH EFFECT ON THEIR LIVES AS WHAT HAPPENS IN OUR HOME. WE CAN PREACH INTEGRITY, DECENCY, WE CAN PREACH GOOD MANNERS, WE CAN DO EVERYTHING THAT YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO DO BY EXAMPLE. IF THEY WALK RIGHT ON OUT INTO A DUMP, INTO FILTH AND DEGRADATION AND OBSCENITY AND PROFANITY AND EVERYTHING ELSE WHICH SEEMS TO BE THE PATTERN OF THE TIME AS IF IT WERE INTELLECTUALISM WHICH IT IS NOT, ONLY IT'S KIND OF WHAT I CALL SMUTTY STUPIDITY, AND IF - - -, I CAN SAY THESE THINGS BECAUSE I'VE BEEN AROUND. I HAPPEN TO BELIEVE THAT IT JUST ISN'T ENOUGH FOR ME TO WORK MY HEART OUT OR FOR YOU TO WORK YOUR HEART OUT FOR A DECENT FINE HOME FOR MY CHILDREN AND TO HAVE A COMMUNITY THAT ISN'T OF THE SAME QUALITY. SO

WE'RE ALL CHILDREN TOGETHER. WE'RE ALL--WE'VE BEEN SAYING SO FOR A LONG TIME. I GUESS WE JUST DIDN'T BELIEVE IT. THERE ISN'T ANY WAY THAT YOU CAN ISOLATE YOUR FAMILY ANY LONGER FROM DISEASE OR ANTI-SOCIAL CONDUCT. IT'S JUST IMPOSSIBLE. A NATION HAS TODAY 54% OF THE FAMILIES WITH THEIR SONS AND DAUGHTERS IN COLLEGE. THINK OF THAT. THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE ARE AWAY FROM YOU AT AGE 18. WHAT GOES ON THERE? THINK OF THE MOBILITY OF THIS COUNTRY. IN THE LAST ELECTION THERE WERE 8,000,000 PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTRY THAT COULDN'T VOTE BECAUSE OF STATE REGISTRATION LAWS THAT PREVENTED THEM FROM VOTING BECAUSE THEY WERE IN TRANSIT. OUR ECONOMY CALLS FOR IT. WORKERS GOING TO NEW JOBS. CORPORATE MANAGERS GOING TO NEW JOBS. PEOPLE IN MOVEMENT IN THIS COUNTRY. THERE'S NO PLACE TO HIDE. THEREFORE COMMUNITY AND THE STANDARDS OF A COMMUNITY ARE MAYBE MORE IMPORTANT FOR YOU THAN HAVING A NICE, DECENT HOME WITH A RECREATION ROOM AND A SWIMMING POOL AND EVERYTHING ELSE THAT GOES ON IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD--I MEAN IN YOUR LITTLE PLOT THAT YOU CALL YOUR GROUND. SO I APPEAL TO YOU TO MAKE THIS COMMUNITY. THE WORST PLACE IN THIS COMMUNITY IS YOUR HOME. YOU CAN'T KEEP IT AWAY FROM YOU. JUST AS YOU HAVE A PLAGUE IN THIS COMMUNITY, IF BUBONIC PLAGUE WERE TO HIT THIS CITY OR SMALL POX, YOU CAN ISOLATE AND WE'VE LEARNED HOW TO VACCINATE, YES, BUT THERE'S SOME THINGS. WHEN THE HONG KONG FLU HITS THE LOWLIEST PERSON IN THIS COMMUNITY IN THE WORST HOVEL, I DON'T CARE WHETHER YOU'RE THE PRESIDENT OF THE LARGEST BANK AND YOU HAVE GOT THE BEST DOCTOR IN TOWN, YOU'RE GOING TO CATCH THE FLU SO HELP ME. THE ODDS ARE ON THAT SIDE. I KNOW. I CAUGHT IT TWICE. AND I GOT IT AT A RICH MAN'S HOME. I WAS OUT THERE IN PHOENIX LYING OUT IN THE LUXURY OF THE DESERT. I'VE NEVER BEEN SO SICK IN MY LIFE. SO I HAPPEN TO BELIEVE THERE ISN'T MUCH YOU CAN DO ABOUT ISOLATING YOURSELF FROM THESE THINGS

AND SINCE THERE IS NO PLACE TO HIDE, SINCE THE WORLD IS SHRINKING EVERY DAY, MY VIEW IS THAT WE'D BETTER TAKE A LOOK AT THE COMMUNITY, THE TOTAL AMERICAN COMMUNITY. YOUR DAUGHTER AND YOUR SON MAY BE GOING TO GO TO NEW YORK. HAVE YOU BEEN THERE LATELY? SO YOU THINK THE CRIME PROBLEM IS BAD IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA. WELL, YOU MAY BE GOING TO BE THERE YOURSELF. SO MAYBE THERE IS DIFFICULTY IN THE WEST SIDE IN DENVER. IT CAN HIT YOU ON THE EAST SIDE OR SOUTHEAST OR WHATEVER AREA THERE MAY BE HERE. AS I USED TO TRY TO TELL THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS WHEN I WAS IT'S MAYOR -, WE HAD A LOT OF YOUNG PEOPLE AND OLDER PEOPLE THAT WERE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT CHINA. OH GOSH, THAT WAS 1945, 46, 47. AND MOST OF THEM WERE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT INDEPENDENCE FOR INDIA. HAD BIG MEETINGS ABOUT THAT. AND I USED TO SAY "HAVE ANY OF YOU EVER BEEN ON OLSEN BOULEVARD? IT'S ONLY TWO MILES AWAY BUT DID YOU EVER MAKE IT?" NO, THEY'D NEVER BEEN THERE. BUT THEY WANTED TO TALK ABOUT CHINA. AND I'M FOR TALKING ABOUT CHINA. DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT IT. GLAD TO TALK ABOUT IT, THEREFORE, I CAN REALLY ROAM AND MY MIND CAN REALLY RUN ON IT. MOST OF YOU COULDN'T NAME FIVE NAMES RIGHT NOW OF THE POLITICAL LEADERS OF CHINA. BUT WE CAN TALK ABOUT INDIA. WE USED TO BE TERRIBLY CONCERNED. WE'VE GOT YOUNG PEOPLE CONCERNED ABOUT BIAFRA. I'M CONCERNED ABOUT BIAFRA. I WONDER IF WE'RE EQUALLY CONCERNED ABOUT A PLACE THAT MAY BE FIVE MILES DOWN THE ROAD RIGHT IN OUR OWN COUNTRY BECAUSE A LONG TIME BEFORE YOU GET TO BIAFRA YOU'RE GOING TO GET DOWN THAT FIVE MILE ROAD. IT DOESN'T MEAN THAT WE EXCLUDE THE OTHER; IT MEANS THAT WE INCLUDE WHAT'S HERE. SO GOVERNMENT POLICIES, PERSONAL REACTIONS HAVE A GREAT DEAL TO DO WITH WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO YOU. NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL POLICIES CAN AFFECT A

CHILD AT PLAY, A WOMAN IN HER HOME OR AT HER JOB OR A MAN AT WORK. A VIGOROUS GROWING ECONOMY ASSURES A FAMILY OF A STEADY JOB, A REASONABLY GOOD INCOME, A SENSE OF DIGNITY AND HOPEFULLY OF STABILITY. I HEAR MANY PEOPLE TODAY CRITICAL OF OUR WOMEN THAT GO TO WORK. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN IN THE HOUGH AREA OF CLEVELAND OR HARLEM OR LAWNDALE IN CHICAGO AND I'M SURE YOU'VE BEEN IN ALL THE PLACES IN DENVER. NOW IF YOU WANT PEOPLE TO REALLY BE SELF-SUPPORTING IN THIS DAY AND AGE, THEN YOU HAD BETTER HAVE DAY CARE CENTERS FOR THE CHILDREN THAT ARE GOING TO BE LEFT BY A MOTHER THAT HAS TO GO TO WORK TO BE ABLE TO PAY THE PRICES THAT WE ASK FOR GOODS TODAY IN ORDER TO HAVE A DECENT HOME. AND WE DON'T HAVE DAY CARE CENTERS. SO THE CHILDREN ROAM THE STREETS AND THEY LEARN THE HABITS OF THE STREETS, AND THE LANGUAGE OF THE STREETS, AND THE PUSHER OF THE DOPE IS THERE, AND THE MAN WITH THE PORNOGRAPHIC LITERATURE IS THERE, AND IT'S ALL THERE, AND YOU KNOW IT AND I KNOW IT. WHEN ARE WE GOING TO WAKE UP? WE KNOW THAT IN THIS ECONOMY OF OURS MANY OF OUR WOMEN ARE GOING TO WANT TO WORK AND THEY SHOULD. MORE OF THEM OUGHT TO BE DOCTORS, MORE OF THEM OUGHT TO BE ENGINEERS AND ARCHITECTS BY FAR. YOU GO TO THE SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES AND THEY'VE LEARNED THAT IT CAN BE DONE. AND EVEN IN THE SOCIET UNION. IS THERE ANY RULE OR ANY LAW THAT SAYS THERE SHOULDN'T BE A DECENT PLACE FOR A MOTHER TO LEAVE A CHILD IN WHOLESOME ENVIRONMENT WITH PROPER PROFESSIONAL SUPERVISION WHEN SHE GOES OFF TO EARN AND PRODUCE SO SHE DOESN'T HAVE TO BE ON WELFARE? DON'T TALK TO ME NOW ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT THERE'S A MAN IN THE HOUSE. THERE MAY NOT BE. OUR WELFARE SYSTEM IN THIS COUNTRY HAS DESTROYED MORE FAMILIES THAN IT'S SAVED. BUT IT ISN'T GOOD ENOUGH JUST TO SAY WE OUGHT TO CHANGE WELFARE. WE'VE GOT TO PROVIDE A PLACE FOR CHILDREN

TO BE SO THEY AREN'T THE VICTIMS OF THE MOST UGLY AND THE MOST UNFORTUNATE INFLUENCES IN OUR SOCIETY.

WHAT ELSE? WELL, HAVEN'T WE LEARNED SOME OTHER THINGS. HAVEN'T WE LEARNED BY NOW THAT THE LEARNING PROCESS STARTS VERY EARLY. I WANT TO TALK TO THE YOUNGEST MOTHER IN THE HOUSE TONIGHT. YOUR BABY WILL LEARN MORE FROM AGE ONE TO SIX THAN ANY OTHER TIME IN ALL OF IT'S LIFE AND IF IT'S DIET IS INADEQUATE YOU HAVE STUNTED THAT CHILD PHYSICALLY AND EMOTIONALLY AND I AM NOT A DOCTOR BUT I'M AN INFORMED LAYMAN AND MORE DOCTORS OUGHT TO TELL YOU THAT. DIET, NUTRITION, PROTEIN - AND CANDY BARS AND ROOT BEER ARE NO SUBSTITUTE AND WE'VE GOT TO FIND A WAY IN THIS COUNTRY TO PROVIDE IT AND WHEN AMERICA HAS PEOPLE WHO ARE HUNGRY AT A TIME WHEN WE ARE PAYING FARMERS NOT TO PRODUCE, WHEN THE TAXPAYER IS PAYING HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS TO STORE UP FOOD THAT WE DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH, THERE'S SOMETHING COCKEYED AND SOMETHING IS WRONG AND YOU AND I KNOW IT. AND YOU SAY "WHY DIDN'T YOU DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT?" BECAUSE I DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH OF WHAT THEY CALL HORSEPOWER TO DO IT. I'VE KNOWN THAT IT'S WRONG AND I'VE SAID SO, AND SOME PEOPLE SAID, "IF YOU GIVE PEOPLE FOOD IT DESTROYS THEIR MORAL, EVEN THEIR MORALS." WELL, I'M NOT SURE ABOUT THAT. THERE ARE OTHER THINGS THAT DO A BETTER JOB ON MORALS. I KNOW ONE THING, THAT THE RATE OF MENTAL RETARDATION IN THE SLUMS IS HIGHER THAN ANY OTHER PLACE IN AMERICA. I KNOW THAT A BLACK CHILD HAS LESS CHANCE TO LIVE THREE SCORE AND TEN THAN A WHITE CHILD BECAUSE THEY ARE POOR AND A WHITE CHILD THAT IS POOR HAS LESS CHANCE TO LIVE THREE SCORE AND THEN THAN MY CHILDREN. I KNOW THAT THERE'S HUNGER IN AMERICA AND IT'S ONLY BEEN BROUGHT OUT LATELY. ISN'T INTERESTING HOW WE FIND OUT ABOUT THESE THINGS. YOU KNOW WHY? BECAUSE YOU CAN'T HIDE ANY MORE, THAT LENS IS ON YOU, THAT TRANSISTOR IS TELLING YOU THERE ARE PEOPLE TODAY THAT ARE

LOOKING AT US ALL THE TIME AND I THINK THE PEOPLE ARE ASKING THE WORLD - THE PEOPLE IN THE WORLD ARE ASKING AMERICA "WHAT IS ALL THIS TALK ABOUT YOU GOING TO COMBAT POVERTY ALL OVER THE WORLD?" YOU CAN'T EVEN DO IT AT HOME. AND I KNOW THAT MY FAMILY'S WELFARE IS NO BETTER OFF THAN THE WELFARE OF HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS AND THOUSANDS OF OTHER FAMILIES IN THIS COUNTRY, IN THIS COUNTRY AND, INDEED, IN THIS WORLD, SO THERE'S A GREAT LESSON HERE OF BROTHERHOOD.

YOU KNOW COLONEL FRANK BORMAN, WHEN HE'S A GOOD PERSONAL FRIEND OF MIND, ONE OF THE NICE THINGS ABOUT THE SPACE PROGRAM IS YOU GET TO KNOW THE NICEST PEOPLE. I WAS CHAIRMAN OF THAT PROGRAM FOR FOUR YEARS AND WHEN HE WAS UP THERE AT CHRISTMAS TIME THAT WAS, IF THAT PROGRAM DIDN'T DO ANYTHING ELSE BUT BORMAN AND HIS ASSOCIATES IN THAT APOLLO EIGHT CAPSULE AT CHRISTMAS, TO GIVE US SOME SENSE OF OUR INSIGNIFICANCE AND OUR SIGNIFICANCE, IT'S WELL WORTH IT. WHEN HE READ FROM GENESIS, FOR THE FIRST TIME THERE WAS A RELIGIOUS MESSAGE THAT WENT THROUGHOUT THIS ENTIRE WORLD. THAT WAS ONE OF THE MOST POWERFUL MESSAGES - ALWAYS THE MESSAGE WAS THERE - BUT THE MOST POWERFUL PROJECTION OF THAT MESSAGE SINCE THE TIME OF MOSES AND THE MAN OF GALILEE. PEOPLE BEGAN TO UNDERSTAND THAT WE ARE A FAMILY AND PEOPLE BEGAN TO UNDERSTAND THAT THE EARTH IS A VERY LITTLE BALL AND THERE ISN'T ANY PLACE TO RUN AWAY AND YOU'RE CAUGHT UP IN THE SOLAR SYSTEM AND HERE YOU ARE AND WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT IT. YOUR YOUNG PEOPLE KNOW THAT TODAY BY THE WAY, THAT'S WHY THERE'S A LOT OF RESTLESSNESS. SO, WHAT I GUESS I AM SAYING IS THAT A FAMILY GROWING UP IN A NEIGHBOR-



HOOD THAT IS FREE OF SLUMS WITH REASONABLY GOOD SCHOOLS AND SOME GREEN SPACES - OPEN SPACES - AND WIDE STREETS WITH SOME CULTURAL ACTIVITIES, THAT FAMILY HAS A BETTER CHANCE OF CONTRIBUTING TO SOCIAL ORDER AND TO PEACE AND TO LIVING A DECENT LIFE THAN ONE THAT LIVES IN CONDITIONS THAT ARE CONTRARY TO WHAT I HAVE TALKED ABOUT AND WE KNOW HOW TO DO IT. THERE WAS A TIME WHEN WE DIDN'T KNOW HOW TO LIVE THIS WELL BUT WE KNOW HOW NOW SO I HAPPEN TO BELIEVE THAT POLICIES THAT AFFECT SCHOOLING AND SOCIAL SECURITY CAN EITHER EXPAND OR CONTRACT PERSONAL HORIZONS. SO, AS A MAN THAT JUST LEFT PUBLIC LIFE BUT STILL IS A MAN OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS, I THINK THAT FAMILY LIFE IS A MATTER OF PUBLIC POLICY AND IT OUGHT TO BE AS WE SAY GEARED INTO EVERY DECISION THAT WE MAKE. IT OUGHT TO BE PUT INTO THE COMPUTER SO THAT WHATEVER COMES OUT THAT, THAT ELEMENT CALLED FAMILY IS IN THE EQUATION. THIS IS ONE OF THE REASONS WHY I TOOK THE STAND AGAINST THE DEPLOYMENT OF THE ANTI BALLISTIC MISSILE. NOW I HAVE BEEN A MEMBER OF YOUR GOVERNMENT. I AM AS CONCERNED ABOUT THE SECURITY OF THIS COUNTRY AS ANY PERSON IN THIS ROOM AND THERE ARE HONEST DIFFERENCES. I DON'T CALL THE OTHER PEOPLE WRONG OR DIRTY NAMES BECAUSE THEY DISAGREE. I HAPPEN TO HOLD A POINT OF VIEW. I THINK IT IS ALL A MATTER OF PRIORITIES. I THINK THAT FOR A PERIOD OF TIME WE HAVE HAD SAFETY AND SECURITY IN OUR GREAT DEFENSE STRUCTURE. IF WE HAVEN'T WE'VE BEEN BUYING AN AWFUL LOT OF STUFF THAT WASN'T WORTH WHILE. WE HAVE THE MOST AMAZING, THE MOST POWERFUL MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT THAT THE WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN AND, WHEN YOU HEAR PEOPLE TELL YOU ABOUT OUR 'SILOS' AND OUR ICBM'S' THEY FORGET TO TELL YOU ABOUT OUR LONG RANGE BOMBERS AND OUR POLARIS'S AND OUR OVERSEAS BASES. WE ARE NOT IN DANGER AT THIS MOMENT FROM WITHOUT, WE COULD BE. WE HAVE TO

KEEP OUR GUARD UP. WE HAVE TO WATCH WHAT THE OTHER FELLOW'S DOING AND WE SPEND HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS EVERY YEAR TO DO IT. WE HAVE A VAST NETWORK OF SERVALIENTS JUST EXACTLY AS THE SOCIET UNION HAS. TODAY WE KNOW WHAT THEY'RE DOING AND THEY KNOW WHAT WE'RE DOING WHICH, BY THE WAY, IS ONE OF THE BEST ASSURANCES OF PEACE. SOMEBODY SAID WE HAVE A BALANCE OF TERROR TODAY. I THINK THAT IS AN UNFORTUNATE WAY TO LOOK AT PEACE BUT AT LEAST IT HAS WORKED TEMPORARILY. BUT WE HAVE TO MAKE A CHOICE HERE NOW AT THIS PERIOD IN OUR LIFE. THERE IS THIRTY, SOME THIRTY ONE YEARS LEFT IN THIS CENTURY, JUST THINK OF THAT.

MOST OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF AMERICA TODAY UNDER THE AGE OF THIRTY ARE GOING TO BE ALIVE IN THE YEAR 2,000 SO WE HAVE GOT TO THINK ABOUT WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN IN THAT TIME BETWEEN NOW AND THEN AND I DON'T BELIEVE THAT WE NEED BE SPENDING BILLIONS AND BILLIONS OF DOLLARS ON WEAPONS WHICH MAY BECOME OBSOLETE BEFORE THEY HAVE BEEN DEPLOYED. AS LONG AS WE STILL HAVE A MARGIN OF SAFETY AND A TIME IN WHICH WE COULD NEGOTIATE AND HOPEFULLY INITIATE NEGOTIATIONS AND GIVE OUR BEST TO IT TO SEE IF WE COULDN'T TURN BACK THIS ARMS RACE. I AM NOT SURE WE CAN BUT I WANT TO TRY. I WANT TO TAKE A RISK FOR PEACE. WE HAVE BEEN TAKING PLENTY OF RISKS ON THE BATTLE FIELD. WE HAVE GOT 530,000 MEN TAKING A RISK TONIGHT IN VIET NAM. WE HAVE GOT ANOTHER HALF A MILLION MEN DEPLOYED AROUND THE WORLD. WE HAVE GOT 55,000 MEN ON THE FRONT LINE IN KOREA TAKING A RISK. WHAT'S WRONG WITH US? AREN'T WE WILLING TO TAKE ONE LITTLE RISK WHEN THERE REALLY ISN'T ANY RISK, TO SEE IF WE COULDN'T AT LEAST BE THE MORAL FORCE IN THIS WORLD TO INITIATE DISCUSSIONS THAT MIGHT TURN BACK THIS UNBELIEVABLY COSTLY ARMS RACE THAT'S CONSUMING OUR BUDGET, CONSUMING OUR RESOURCES;

THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD ARE SPENDING 150 BILLION DOLLARS OR MORE THIS YEAR ON ARMS AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ARE SPENDING OVER HALF OF IT. I WANT TO SEE US TRY FOR A MOMENT TO SEE IF WE CAN'T HALT THAT AND THEN TO SEE IF WE CAN'T SWITCH OUR PRIORITIES.

IT WILL DO YOU VERY LITTLE GOOD MY DEAR FRIENDS TO TALK ABOUT WHAT OTHER PEOPLE OUGHT TO DO AND HOW THEY OUGHT TO ACT IF YOU HAVE THEM LIVE LIKE ANIMALS, AND THEY DO. I KNOW. I HAVE BEEN WITH THE POOREST OF THE POOR AND THE RICHEST OF THE RICH. I HAVE BEEN IN THE PENTHOUSES THAT MAKE YOUR EYES GLITTER AND I HAVE BEEN IN THE FILTHY ROTTEN TENEMENTS THAT MAKE YOU SICK AND, MY DEAR FRIENDS, THIS IS WHAT IS GRIPPING THIS COUNTRY TODAY. THIS IS PART OF THE STUDENT UNREST. THIS IS PART OF WHAT IS GOING ON. PEOPLE KNOW THERE IS SOMETHING WRONG AND THEY DON'T QUITE KNOW WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT. WELL, THE ONE THING TO DO ABOUT IT IS TO PUT OUR PRIORITIES RIGHT. THE DANGER TO THIS COUNTRY IS NOT SO MUCH FROM THE OUTSIDE AS IT IS FROM THE INSIDE. OUR FOREIGN POLICY BEING NO BETTER THAN OUR DOMESTIC POLICY AND OUR NATIONAL SECURITY IS NO BETTER THAN OUR INTERNAL SECURITY.

DR. KONETT, GREAT EDUCATOR, ONCE SAID SOME YEARS AGO THAT WE HAVE SOCIAL DYNAMITE IN OUR CITIES AND WE HAVE, AND I THINK IT'S TIME WE STARTED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. RALPH WALDO EMERSON IS A FAVORITE OF MINE.

GREAT AMERICAN PHILOSOPHER, POET, PROSE WRITER, AND HE SAID THESE WORDS AND I JUST JOTTED THEM DOWN HERE, AS MARK SAID TONIGHT, "HUMPHREY'LL NEVER PAY ANY ATTENTION TO REALLY WHAT HE'S GOT IN THAT TEXT, HE'LL GET UP THERE AND JUST TALK TO THEM ANYHOW." AND THAT'S BASICALLY TRUE BUT I NOTED THIS BEFORE I CAME OVER HERE OUT OF A LITTLE BOOK THAT I

CARRY WITH ME. "THE TRUE TEST OF CIVILIZATION IS NOT THE CENSUS NOR THE SIZE OF IT'S CITIES, NOR THE CROPS BUT THE KIND OF PERSON THE COUNTRY TURNS OUT." WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE ARE WE TURNING OUT? THAT'S WHAT IS IMPORTANT AND I THINK WE CAN TURN OUT SOME WONDERFUL PEOPLE AND FRANKLY THIS IS THE BEST TESTIMONIAL TO OUR SOCIETY. WE HAVE BEEN TURNING OUT WONDERFUL PEOPLE. SO WE NEED TO GET AT IT.

WE NEED PRE NATAL CARE FOR OUR CHILDREN. ARE YOU HAPPY TONIGHT DOCTOR? IF THERE IS A DOCTOR IN THE HOUSE TO KNOW THAT THIS NATION IS 16TH IN INFANT MORTALITY, 16TH AND WE SAY WE'VE GOT THE GREATEST MEDICAL PROFESSION IN THE WORLD, AND WE HAVE. ARE YOU HAPPY ABOUT THE FACT THAT WE CAN HAVE KIDNEY TRANSPLANTS, HEART TRANSPLANTS, BUT WE CAN'T EVEN TAKE CARE OF THE MEDICAL NEEDS OF SOME OF THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE JUST ORDINARY LITTLE ILLNESSES AND NEVER GET TO A CLINIC, NEVER GET TO AN OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT, WHOSE TEETH NEVER HAD ANY CARE. I HAPPEN TO THINK THAT WE NEED A COMPREHENSIVE PRE NATAL AND POST NATAL CARE SYSTEM IN THIS COUNTRY AND I DON'T CARE WHO PROVIDES IT. I'D LIKE TO SEE IT DONE IN A WAY WHERE WE CAN HAVE GOVERNMENT AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR WORKING TOGETHER. WHERE WE HAVE FREEDOM OF CHOICE OF OUR DOCTOR AND OUR HOSPITAL AND OUR CENTERS BUT I KNOW THAT A NEIGHBORHOOD HEALTH CENTER IS VITAL AND THEY'VE GOT ONE HERE IN DENVER. WE NEED MORE OF THEM ACROSS THIS COUNTRY.

I KNOW THAT AMERICA'S GREATEST RESOURCE IS IT'S PEOPLE. I THINK WE NEED TO PLACE INCREASED EMPHASIS UPON THE EARLY YEARS OF CHILDHOOD,

IN WHICH THE FUTURE LIVES ARE SHAPED, BECAUSE MANY OF THE INTERLECTUAL, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL AND PHYSICAL PROBLEMS HAVE ROOTS IN EARLY LIFE. THIS IS ESPECIALLY TRUE OF CHILDREN OF DEPRIVED FAMILIES LIVING IN A WORLD OF BAD HEALTH, POOR HOUSING, TOO LITTLE FOOD, A SENSE OF HOPELESSNESS AND DEPRESSION AND SURELY ANYTHING BUT A CLEAN ENVIRONMENT AND, THEREFORE, I HAVE ADVOCATED EXTENDING THIS WONDERFUL CARE THAT WE NOW HAVE FOR OUR SENIOR CITIZENS TO THE CHILDREN OF LOW INCOME FAMILIES. PARTICULARLY TO THE FIRST YEARS OF THEIR LIFE, PLACING ESPECIAL EMPHASIS UPON NUTRITION AND UPON DENTAL CARE AND UPON CRIPPLING DISABILITIES. IT IS SO IMPORTANT TO DO THIS. HUNGRY OR THE ILLNOURISHED CHILD OF THIS COUNTRY MAKES A MOCKERY OUT OF THE NATION OF DIETERS AND WEIGHT WATCHERS. DID YOU EVER REALLY THINK ABOUT IT? SOMEBODY ASKED ME WHAT IS MY FAVORITE DRINK, I SAID, "DIET ROOT BEER" JUST TO MENTION THE WORD DIET AND KNOW THAT THERE ARE FIVE MILLION PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTRY TONIGHT WITH INADEQUATE DIETS BECAUSE OF INCOME AND WE GOT PEOPLE FIGHTING ABOUT WHETHER THEY OUGHT TO HAVE FOOD STAMPS. I THINK WE OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS. SAY YOU CAN'T AFFORD IT. I SAY YOU CAN. I'VE BEEN AROUND, I KNOW WHAT WE WASTE. DID YOU LOOK AT WHAT WE WASTED TONIGHT! I'M NOT SCOLDING YOU FOR IT. MY DADDY NEVER EVER TOLD ME WHAT TIME TO GO TO BED, HE WAS JUST THE BEST 'GETTER UPPER' IN THE COUNTY, THAT'S ALL.

I KNOW WE COULD DO WHAT WE WANTED TO DO. OUR MEDICAL CARE IS IMPORTANT BUT I THINK EVEN MORE IMPORTANT IS THE EDUCATION OF THE MIND FOR PEOPLE

TO DEVELOP THEIR FULL POTENTIAL. PRE SCHOOL PROGRAMS. WE SAY WE'RE THE MOST MODERN NATION IN THE WORLD. WE'VE DEVELOPED THE COMPUTER. WE'RE THE NATION OF THE SPACE AGE AND WE HAVE FEWER PRE SCHOOL CHILDREN IN SCHOOL THAN ANY MODERN NATION ON THE FACE OF THE EARTH. ANY OF THE MODERN INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS. WE'VE GOT MORE GUM! WE HAVE MORE RACE TRACKS AND I ENJOY GOING TO THE RACE, I'M NOT LECTURING YOU, REALLY, I'M NOT, I LIKE ALL THESE THINGS, I SIMPLY SAY THIS, THAT, IF WE DON'T KNOW BY NOW THAT A CHILD'S LEARNING STARTS EARLY, THEN WE'RE NOT REALLY GOOD PARENTS AND MAY BE YOU CAN DO IT ALL AT HOME. IF YOU CAN I'LL SELL YOU A SET OF MY ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANNICA, I WORK FOR THE COMPANY! LIKE TO HAVE YOU BUY ONE! WE GOT LOTS OF EDUCATIONAL AIDS BUT I HAPPEN TO THINK WE CAN DO IT BETTER IN THESE FINE PRIVATE AND PUBLIC PRE SCHOOL PROGRAMS OF OURS BECAUSE I BELIEVE THAT WE KNOW HOW TO DO THESE THINGS AND, AS I HAVE SAID TO YOU, THAT A CHILD CAN'T THRIVE ON EITHER AN EMPTY STOMACH OR A THWARTED OR STUNTED MIND. HUNGER IS INEXCUSABLE AND INTOLERABLE AND THE AMERICAN FAMILY, REGARDLESS OF INCOME, DESERVES BOTH EDUCATION AND FOOD.

THEN THERE IS ONE OTHER THING AND I AM GOING TO LEAVE YOU HERE 'COS I HAVE KEPT YOU TOO LONG. I WANT TO SEE THAT OUR EDUCATION SYSTEM IS MORE THAN JUST FOR THE PRE SCHOOL I WANT TO SEE THE YOUNG PEOPLE LEARN HOW TO DO SOMETHING WITH THEIR LIVES. WE HAVE DOWN-GRADED VOCATIONAL EDUCATION IN THIS COUNTRY FOR YEARS. EVERYBODY WANTS A



LIBERAL ARTS EDUCATION I KNOW, I KNOW, I'M FOR THAT, I LIKE THAT. I HAVE BEEN A TEACHER AND I HAVE BEEN A STUDENT A LONG TIME. I SPENT AN AWFUL LOT OF TIME IN SCHOOL BUT LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING. WHEN THE LIBERAL ARTS EDUCATION WAS FASHION IN THIS COUNTRY THERE WERE TIME FOR DADDIES TO TEACH A BOY HOW TO BE A FARMER ON A FARM. MY FATHER TAUGHT ME HOW TO BE A DRUGGIST LONG BEFORE I CAME TO DENVER. I WAS AN APPRENTICE PHARMACIST WHEN I WAS EIGHTEEN YEARS OLD. I COULD WORK ALONGSIDE OF MY FATHER IN HIS LITTLE STORE. IF I TAKE MY BOY TO THE OFFICE AS A SENATOR OR A CONGRESSMAN THEY CALL IT NEPOTISM. CAN YOU IMAGINE AN AUTOMOBILE WORKER TAKING HIS TEN YEAR OLD SON TO THE GENERAL MOTORS PLANT BECAUSE HE WANTS TO BE CLOSE TO HIS BOY, TEACH HIM THE TRADE. IT'S DIFFERENT FRIENDS, VERY DIFFERENT AND WE NEED TO PUT A BADGE OF RESPECTABILITY ON VOCATIONAL EDUCATION IN THIS COUNTRY. TO TEACH PEOPLE HOW TO DO SOMETHING RATHER THAN JUST HOW TO GET INTO TROUBLE BUT HOW TO DO SOMETHING. I'M FOR THEM TO THINK, TO ENJOY ART. I BELIEVE IN THE HUMANITIES. I AM A TEACHER IN THE HUMANITIES. I WANT THEM TO KNOW ABOUT LITERATURE, I WANT THEM TO KNOW OF HISTORY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE, AND PHILOSOPHY BUT I'D LIKE TO BE ABLE TO HAVE THEM AT LEAST TO BE ABLE TO GREASE THE HINGES ON THE DOOR, TO KNOW HOW TO REPAIR SOMETHING. AND MAYBE WE OUGHT TO BE TEACHING PEOPLE HOW TO KEEP HOUSE, MAYBE WE OUGHT TO TEACH PEOPLE HOW TO COOK. THERE WAS A TIME THAT MOTHER HAD TIME FOR HER DAUGHTER AND THE DAUGHTER WAS HOME. TODAY THE DAUGHTER'S GOT TO GO TO SCHOOL, SHE'S

GOT SCHOOL WORK, EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, DANCE, MUSIC, YOU NAME IT. YOU KNOW THE MORE INCOME YOU GET THE MORE YOU WANT THE KIDS TO DO. EXCEPT THEY NEVER LEARN HOW TO TAKE CARE OF THEIR CLOTHES, HOW TO COOK, HOW TO DO SOME OF THE LITTLE THINGS. NOW, MAYBE I'M OLD FASHIONED AND, IF I AM, I PLEAD GUILTY BUT I SAY AGAIN THERE IS A NEED FOR PEOPLE TO LEARN THE DISCIPLINE OF WORK AND HOW TO DO SOMETHING AND THEN, OF COURSE, WE MUST ALSO MAKE SURE THAT THOSE WHO HAVE SOME POTENTIAL HAVE A CHANCE TO DEVELOP IT IN HIGHER EDUCATION.

AND, FINALLY, HOW ABOUT OUR HANDICAPPED. YOU KNOW IT'S JUST WONDERFUL TO SEE WHAT CAN BE DONE THESE DAYS. THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED WE'RE DOING GREAT THINGS WITH. I KNOW YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN THAT HAVE NO HANDS, NO ARMS. THEY'RE MAKING A LIVING, THEY'RE RUNNING A BUSINESS, THEY'RE REMARKABLE. GOD HAS A WAY OF COMPENSATING IN HUMAN KIND AND WE LEARNED A GREAT DEAL ABOUT THE EMOTIONALLY DISTURBED AND ABOUT THE DEAF AND THE BLIND. LET ME TELL YOU ABOUT A LETTER I RECEIVED, JUST POPPED THROUGH MY MIND. YOU'VE GOT A LITTLE TIME HERE, I MEAN, AFTERALL WHERE'RE YOU GOING TO GO, IT'S TOO LATE ALREADY. I GOT A LETTER - I RECEIVED A LETTER FROM A YOUNG LADY NINETEEN YEARS OF AGE AFTER THE CAMPAIGN AND THE LETTER STARTED OUT AND SAID, "DEAR MR. HUMPHREY, I HAVE BEEN AFRAID TO WRITE TO YOU," SHE THOUGHT I WAS THE IMPORTANT PERSON AND THAT SORT OF STUFF BUT SHE SAID, "I DECIDED I HAD TO" SHE SAID "I HAD SUCH A TIME HELPING YOU IN THE CAMPAIGN, SO MUCH DIFFICULTY, BUT FINALLY SOMEBODY WAS WILLING TO ACCEPT ME." THEN SHE SAYS, "YOU MAY WONDER WHY I SAID THIS BECAUSE, LET ME TELL YOU, I'M NINETEEN YEARS OF AGE AND I HAVE BEEN BLIND SINCE BIRTH." AND SHE SAID, "BECAUSE OF THAT YOUR CAMPAIGN

OFFICE IN SUCH AND SUCH A CITY DIDN'T KNOW THAT I COULD BE OF HELP BUT I FINALLY GOT IN," AND SHE SAID, "THE FIRST THING THEY LET ME DO WAS ANSWER THE TELEPHONE, THEN I TOOK MESSAGES DOWN IN BRAILLE AND THEN I TYPED IT OUT," AND THEN SHE SAID, "AFTER A WHILE MY DOG AND I WENT OUT TO SHOPPING CENTERS AND WE TALKED FOR YOU AND WE HANDED OUT LITERATURE FOR YOU," AND SHE SAYS, "THEN I BECAME A RECEPTIONIST FOR YOU," SHE SAID, "YOU MAY HAVE SUFFERED A DEFEAT BUT I HAVE HAD MY GREATEST VICTORY AND I WANT TO THANK YOU." WELL, I CALLED UP THAT GIRL. I CALLED HER ON THE TELEPHONE, I SAID, "THAT'S THE NICEST LETTER I THINK I'VE EVER RECEIVED." A HANDICAPPED GIRL THAT FOUND A PLACE AND, BELIEVE ME, IF SHE CARRIED HER TOWN, I MIGHT ADD, DID A LOT BETTER THAN SOME OF THOSE THAT CAN SEE AND HEAR. SHOULD HAVE MOBILIZED THE HANDICAPPED EARLIER I GUESS.

AND NOW SOMETHING ELSE, WE'RE BEGINNING TO FIND INDUSTRY IS TAKING A GREAT INTEREST, AS YOU KNOW, IN THIS AND WE'RE BEGINNING NOW TO FIND THAT WE CAN TRAIN SOME OF THE MENTALLY RETARDED SO THAT THEY CAN BE SELF-SUSTAINING. EVERY CHILD IS ENTITLED TO A CHANCE AND THOSE WHO HAVE LESS POTENTIAL ARE ENTITLED TO A GREATER CHANCE. WHEN I THINK OF PUBLIC EDUCATION IN THIS COUNTRY AND THERE'S ALWAYS SOME KIND OF A FEELING THAT, IF YOUR HANDICAPPED OR SOMETHING, YOU DON'T BELONG IN THE SCHOOLS, INDEED YOU DO. CHANGE THE SCHOOLS, AFTERALL PARENTS OF HANDICAPPED ARE TAX PAYERS TOO AND THEIR CHILDREN ARE ENTITLED TO AS MUCH EDUCATION AS THE MOST GIFTED CHILD AND THEN THE GIFTED CHILD IS

ENTITLED TO THE BENEFITS OF A SPECIAL KIND OF EDUCATION, SO YOU SEE, IT ALL BOILS DOWN TO WHAT WE CAN DO WITH THE FAMILY AND WHAT WE CAN DO IN OUR COUNTRY AND, REALLY, WHAT WE NEED TO BE THINKING ABOUT MY DEAR FRIENDS AS WE HONOR THESE WONDERFUL LADIES TONIGHT AND I READ THEIR LITTLE, LITTLE TESTIMONIAL TO EACH. To Miss GARNETT, EDUCATOR, TO Mrs. NEAL, CONSERVATIONIST, TO Mrs. ROSSI, FRIEND TO THE AGED, AND TO MY DEAR FRIEND, Mrs. BETTY PELLET, AUTHOR, LEGISLATOR. THEY'VE DONE GREAT THINGS. THEY'VE GIVEN OF THEMSELVES AND THE TRUTH IS, THE MORE YOU GIVE THE MORE YOU HAVE, AND PUBLIC POLICY TODAY SHOULD BE DIRECTED TOWARDS INDIVIDUAL ENRICHMENT. THAT SHOULD BE THE STANDARD. WHAT DOES IT DO. WHAT DOES IT DO TO MAKE OUR COUNTRY AND OUR COMMUNITY JUST A LITTLE BETTER, A LITTLE MORE DECENT, A LITTLE MORE HUMANE. IS IT NOT TRUE THAT, AS YOU HELP THE LEAST OF THESE, YOU HELP YOURSELF. IS IT STILL NOT TRUE THAT IT REALLY IS BETTER TO MINISTER THAN TO BE MINISTERED UNTO. ISN'T BETTER TO SERVE THAN TO BE SERVED. I THINK SO, AND I HAPPEN TO THINK THAT'S WHAT MAKES A GREAT PEOPLE AND A GREAT NATION AND POSSIBLY THAT'S THE SECRET OF OUR GREATNESS AS A COUNTRY. LET'S NEVER LOSE IT. WE HAVE HELPED AN AWFUL LOT OF PEOPLE, MILLIONS OF THEM AND IN THE HELPING OF MILLIONS AND MILLIONS, WE'RE THE BETTER FOR IT. THE ONLY TIME WE'VE EVER BEEN IN TROUBLE IS WHEN WE TURNED INWARD AND BECAME SELFISH AND WE THOUGHT ONLY OF OURSELF RATHER THAN OTHERS ABOUT US. IF THERE IS A COMMUNITY OF MEN AND WOMEN. IF THERE IS A BROTHERHOOD OF MAN THEN LET'S ACT LIKE IT AND IN ACTING THAT WAY LET'S CONTINUE TO HONOR PEOPLE OF ACHIEVEMENT BECAUSE THEY SET AN EXAMPLE FOR ALL OF US.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

MR. VICE PRESIDENT, WHEN MARK INTRODUCED YOU, HE SAID WE WERE ALL ANXIOUS TO HEAR YOUR IDEAS ABOUT THE FUTURE, AND IF WE HAVE FAILED TO HEAR THE VAST ASSORTMENT OF IDEAS ABOUT THE FUTURE WORTHY OF OUR MOST SERIOUS CONSIDERATION, THEN WE HAD OUR EARS CLOSED OR MORE IMPORTANTLY OUR MINDS CLOSED BECAUSE YOU HAVE CERTAINLY GIVEN US A GREAT DEAL THIS EVENING AND YOU HAVE GIVEN A NEW LEVEL OF STATUS AND AN ALTOGETHER NEW IMPORTANCE AND MEANING TO THE COLORADO WOMEN OF ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM AND I THANK YOU.

LT. GOVERNOR HOGAN AND MRS. BLUE, WE APPRECIATE YOUR ASSISTANCE THIS EVENING. YOUR ATTENDANCE CERTAINLY ADDS DISTINCTION TO THE OCCASION AND, BARRY, I THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP.

OUR THANKS TOO TO THE NUMEROUS ORGANIZATIONS, INDIVIDUALS AND INSTITUTIONS WHO SUBMITTED NOMINATIONS AND, FINALLY, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, OUR MOST SINCERE THANKS TO YOU FOR BEING HERE WITH US TONIGHT.

GOOD NIGHT ALL AND I HOPE YOU ENJOY THE EVENING.

Remarks  
The Honorable HHH  
Colorado Woman-of-the-Year Ceremony  
Denver, Colorado  
April 11, 1969

This ~~occasion~~ ceremony honoring Colorado's Woman of the Year  
is an unusually appropriate occasion to consider ~~the matter of strengthening the American family -- an issue~~  
I frequently discussed in the Presidential campaign last fall--  
yet a ~~matter~~ <sup>one</sup> which never became one of the major issues ~~which~~ <sup>received adequate coverage or discussion</sup>  
~~reported~~ <sup>written</sup> on television or ~~read about in~~ <sup>in the</sup> newspapers.

~~In a number of speeches I discussed~~

At the core of American life is <sup>the family:</sup> an institution ~~which~~ as  
old as time, yet as young and dynamic as our most enthusiastic  
hopes: ~~the family~~. <sup>have said</sup> Some persons ~~may say~~ that the family ~~is~~ <sup>was</sup>  
not a proper issue to raise in a political campaign. I disagree.



STATEMENT OF VICE PRESIDENT HUMPHREY  
TOLEDO, OHIO  
SEPTEMBER 20, 1968

#### A NEW DAY FOR THE AMERICAN FAMILY

At the core of American life is an institution which is as old as time, yet as young and dynamic as our most enthusiastic hopes: the family. Americans depend on their families for warmth, security and sustenance. The family shapes its children, directs their talents, and encourages them as they define their values.

Society cannot--and must not--control the family. No President can instill in a single American child the cardinal virtues of courage, temperance, justice and wisdom. No Administration can direct his energies increase his self-discipline, enlarge his modesty or greatness of spirit, or strengthen the bond between his parents.

But society can--and does--influence family life. <sup>Government</sup> ~~Administrations~~, according to <sup>its</sup> ~~their~~ own integrity and strength of purpose, can alter the opportunities--and thus the integrity, strength and purpose of individual families, especially the least fortunate. National economic and social policies can affect the child at play, the woman in her home, or the man at work. A vigorous, growing economy assures a family of a steady job, a good income, and a sense of stability and dignity. A family growing up in a neighborhood free of slums, with good schools, green parks, wide streets, and imaginative cultural activities, can live at peace, and with hope.

National policies toward schooling, toward social security and all the rest can dramatically expand--or contract--personal horizons.

So family life is a proper matter of public policy, and a proper subject for political debate. *And that is why I chose to talk about the family last fall -- and why I raise the issues again today.*

The decade of the sixties, with its pioneering investments in education, in health care and social services has recognized this fact. American family life has been strengthened with each child entering a Head Start class--with each teenager in an Elementary and Secondary School enrichment program--with each mother trained for a good job, secure in the knowledge that her children are responsibly placed in a day care project--or with each grandparent whose hospital bills are paid under Medicare.

The Humphrey-Muskie Administration will place priority on people--and we will give special concern to those measures which strengthen family ties--for families are the bedrock of our society.

I believe that today government must place priority on people-- and that government must give special concern to those measures which strengthen family ties--for families are the bedrock of our society.

It is this question of <sup>governmental</sup> priorities ~~for~~ that has prompted me in recent weeks to speak out against deployment of the Safeguard anti-ballistic missile system. This is why I have urged instead beginning ~~as soon as possible~~ <sup>in an attempt</sup> arms control negotiations with the Soviet Union ~~seeking~~ to control ~~the~~ both offensive and defensive strategic weapons.

I believe that the clear and present danger to the internal security of the United States--arising from the urban crisis, rural poverty, educational deprivation, hunger, unemployment, ~~inadequate~~ inadequate health care--makes totally unacceptable <sup>spend</sup> the proposition that we should ~~invest~~ billions of dollars ~~there~~ to acquire an ABM system which increases little, if at all, the real security of this country.

And I think <sup>the American</sup> people of ~~this country~~ should speak out on this issue--~~speaking~~ <sup>clearly and forcefully</sup> speak out, so that Congress knows your views before <sup>any</sup> ~~any official~~ decisions are made to proceed with the anti-ballistic missile system.

~~You should tell the Congress~~ <sup>for example,</sup> these  
I know how <sup>to mount</sup> urgently we need ~~additional~~  
resources ~~to~~ <sup>at a minimum</sup> a broad-scale program of action  
to strengthen family life. This program ~~should~~  
would include the following items:

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This Administration will follow a new approach to the strengthening of family life--characterized not by fragmented piecemeal projects--but by programs woven together in a common purpose. We commend this approach especially to American women, who are rightfully concerned about their families--and those of others.

I propose a seven-point program of action for the Humphrey-Muskie Administration:

*the extension of*  
 -- \* First, ~~I would extend~~ comprehensive pre-natal care to all women in low-income families, so that, so far as possible, every child will be born well.

~~Even before birth, each child should be given the chance to strengthen, rather than weaken, family bonds. Now there are hundreds of thousands of unwanted children, born largely to the poor and those with limited education. Now great numbers of mentally retarded children--of children with avoidable physical defects--are born to this same group. And~~

*primarily in low income families*  
*should also be regarded*  
*of these pre-natal health*  
~~I would regard family planning as a natural ingredient in health care--~~  
*services--*  
 available to any family that wanted it. I would extend family planning services, as part of pre-natal care to low-income women, so that every child is born a wanted child.

*should be placed*  
 -- \* Second, ~~I propose to put~~ increased emphasis on the early years of childhood, the years in which families are formed, and in which future lives are shaped. Many intellectual, social, emotional and physical problems have roots in early life. This is especially true of children from poor families, living in a world of bad health, housing, and food, little or no clothing, and a hopeless, depressing environment.

*advocate extending*  
I propose to extend medical care for all children in low-income families during the first year of life, placing special emphasis on nutrition, on dental care, and on crippling disabilities. The hungry or ill-nourished child makes a mockery of a nation of dieters and weight watchers. The young adult who has never had dental care, or who suffers a crippling disability which might have been prevented, drains his family and enters the world of work a poor second. ~~An essential part of our preventive health effort will be the correction of any crippling disabilities suffered by any child--and such care would continue until he reaches the age of 21. Once this program is established, I would extend it over a five-year period so that every child in a low-income family will enjoy~~

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~~medical care until he reaches the age of six.~~

Good medical care is essential for the very young. But to assure complete well being, to give each child the chance to develop his full potential, <sup>should be extended</sup> ~~I would extend pre-school programs, as rapidly as possible so that by 1976 every parent who wishes can have preschool experience for his child, beginning at the age of four. This would also provide full day care facilities for the children of working mothers.~~

~~This would be done through the expansion and meshing of day care services, Head Start, and Title I programs of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. And I would make sure that parents are fully involved in these activities.~~

~~\* Third, I recognize that a child cannot thrive on an empty stomach, that his family must provide him with the essentials of life while he is growing up, and this means its income must be maintained at a decent level.~~

~~Thus I propose to expand and strengthen our on-going Social Security system, the Nation's biggest anti-poverty program, and one that rewards all American workers and their families.~~

<sup>have proposed increasing</sup> ~~I would propose to increase Social Security benefits over a four-year period so that every child of a deceased, disabled or retired beneficiary will not live in poverty. And so that a young person can complete his education in an increasingly complex society, I would continue his Social Security benefits up to the age of 23 if he is regularly attending school.~~

<sup>it is time we took</sup> ~~\*Fourth, I propose to take a hard new look at our Nation's public welfare system, recognizing both the enormous number of families it has sustained and kept together, and the many Americans now critical of its standards, its paper work, and its cost. Our changes will be based on a willingness to experiment, an emphasis on constructive services and opportunities, and an abiding faith in the desire of most Americans to lead independent lives and to help others help themselves.~~

<sup>more are being made by Congress, should be required</sup> ~~While formulating basic changes, I would require all the states to set a minimum standard of need for the over 4 million dependent children on welfare. And so that society can better protect every child from the ill winds of fortune, I would provide greater Federal support for state child welfare services: adoption, protection for neglected and abused children, foster care, licensing of institutions, and all the rest. I will~~



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~~release shortly more detailed task force report on income maintenance.~~

\*Fifth, recognizing the diverse needs and skills of our children and young people, and the varied careers they will follow when they head families themselves, <sup>*and must*</sup> ~~I would~~ continue to increase educational opportunities.

<sup>*for example,*</sup> I would propose ~~to~~ extend and improve vocational education. Our goals would be not only to give every boy or girl who wishes to learn a relevant skill the chance to do so, but to make all vocational education an exciting, rewarding and constructive experience.

<sup>*we must also*</sup> ~~I would propose to~~ increase Federal financial aid for college students so that children from poor families--as from all families--will have a fair chance to enter and continue college.

And since we look on job experience as a useful and integral part of education, <sup>*this nation must provide*</sup> ~~I would see that there were~~ adequate summer jobs and training programs throughout the land for young men and women. ~~A more comprehensive study on education will be released shortly.~~

\* Sixth, our approach to family life <sup>*should*</sup> ~~would~~ go beyond the recognition that normal children are varied, to a recognition of the needs of those with special problems.

For example, <sup>*propose extending*</sup> ~~I would extend~~ job opportunities for mentally retarded adults and young people. And ~~I would~~ enlarge preventive and rehabilitative services for the mentally retarded. The incidence of mental retardation is especially high in our slums, with their lack of proper health care, and lack of opportunity. In every segment of society, it is a heavy burden for families to bear and they need help.

The same is true of others who are handicapped--the deaf or blind child--the emotionally disturbed. Often emotionally ill children come to the attention of society! but somehow slip through its fingers and go on to commit deeds of anger and of sorrow.

Equal attention must also be directed toward the gifted-child-- so that these young people can make the fullest contribution to society and lead emotionally-secure and happy lives.

~~I would follow the recommendations of the Joint Commission on Mental Health of Children, in which the Nation's psychiatric and child-oriented professional communities are engaged.~~

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~~— \* Seventh, We must approach the problems inherent in strengthening family life with humility, understanding how much there is still to learn about them. <sup>We must defend</sup> I would extend research in all aspects of child life, aiming to prevent disabilities, and assure the constructive development of both parent and child. And I would examine ways to strengthen the quality of family life and the complementary and supplementary community support it needs.~~

A child is part of a family. His parents' experiences, their joy, their bitterness, their success and failure, condition him. He grows under the day-in and day-out influence of the world as they see it.

In the same way the family is part of society. It is the basic social system which supports children as they grow. Society, which profoundly influences the world in which a family lives, must try to meet its entire needs so that the child's home nurtures him--and his parents.

~~With the advent of the New Day, we intend to look at social--yes, and economic--policies afresh. We will examine old programs and new proposals and how they fit together, and ask ourselves a key question: Does this strengthen family life?~~

~~This is our commitment to the American family.~~

To those people who say we cannot afford these services to strengthen the American family, I say: Is there anything more urgent ~~or~~ or more essential ~~than~~ in securing the happiness and health of our citizens?

It is just a question of priorities and planning. Once we seriously address ourselves to the difficult task of shifting our resources from works of war to works of peace, we will discover that all this, and more, will be possible.

I say the time has come to sit down with the Soviet Union to see whether the nuclear arms race can be controlled.  
And I believe the American people agree with me.  
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