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"CRISIS" IS BECOMING A WAY OF LIFE IN AMERICA TODAY.

AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE NUMB FROM CRISES. WHEN WE FIND A NEW CRISIS

THESE DAYS, WE SIMPLY ADD IT TO A GROWING LIST THAT ALREADY

INCLUDES:

- THE UNEMPLOYMENT CRISIS
- THE INFLATION CRISIS
- THE DOLLAR CRISIS
- THE HOUSING CRISIS
- THE WELFARE CRISIS
- THE EDUCATION CRISIS
- THE HEALTH CARE CRISIS
- THE ENVIRONMENTAL CRISIS

-- THE CRIME CRISIS

-- THE STATE REVENUE CRISIS

-- THE FARM CRISIS

NOW, NO ONE MAN CAN BE BLAMED FOR THESE CRISES, BUT

AN ENTIRE ADMINISTRATION WITH ITS VAST RESOURCES AND POWER, AND

AN AN ADMINISTRATION THAT HAS HELD OFFICE FOR ³²~~30~~ YEARS AND

~~NINE~~ MONTHS MUST BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR ITS NEGLIGENCE -- FOR ITS

BROKEN PROMISES -- FOR ITS EMPHASIS ON RHETORIC AT THE EXPENSE

OF ACTION.

TONIGHT I MUST ADD TWO ADDITIONAL CRISES TO THE LONG

LIST: A CRISIS OF LEADERSHIP AND A CRISIS OF CONFIDENCE, AND THE

PRESIDENT MUST BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR BOTH.

THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE BEGINNING TO UNDERSTAND THAT THE
GROWING PROBLEMS OF THE NATION CANNOT BE MET BY A PRESIDENT
AND AN ADMINISTRATION PRACTICING THE POLITICS OF CRISIS IN A
VACUUM OF REAL LEADERSHIP.

~~GOVERNMENT BY CRISIS IS BAD GOVERNMENT.~~

THE SOLUTIONS TO THE GREAT, UNMET NEEDS OF THE AMERICAN
PEOPLE CANNOT BE FOUND IN HASTILY DRAFTED PLANS AND IN POLICIES
WHICH DISCRIMINATE AGAINST ONE OR MORE SEGMENTS OF OUR SOCIETY.

WE WILL NEVER GET THIS COUNTRY OUT OF ITS DIFFICULTIES
WITH MILLIONS OF AMERICANS LOSING CONFIDENCE IN THEIR GOVERNMENT'S
ABILITY TO MEET ITS RESPONSIBILITIES.

WHY THE LOSS OF CONFIDENCE?

WHY THE NEVER-ENDING CRISES?

BECAUSE THE PRESIDENT CONTINUES TO TALK THE POLITICS OF
HOPE, BUT DOES LITTLE TO TURN PROMISES INTO ACTION.

L LESS THAN 6 MONTHS AGO PRESIDENT NIXON TOLD THE CONGRESS
HE WAS COMMITTED TO EIGHT IMPORTANT GOALS. LET'S EXAMINE THE
DEPTH OF HIS COMMITMENT.

#1 GOAL NUMBER 1: THE PRESIDENT SAID, "WE NEED A HEALTHY
AND PRODUCTIVE ECONOMY."

THAT WAS THE RHETORIC. LET'S LOOK AT THE REALITY.

L ONLY AFTER 31 MONTHS OF AN ECONOMIC GAME PLAN THAT RESULTED
IN MAJOR UNEMPLOYMENT, ~~DECLINING~~ ^{rising} INFLATION, A WEAKENED DOLLAR,
HIGH INTEREST RATES, SAGGING CONSUMER SPENDING AND INSUFFICIENT
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION DID THE PRESIDENT ACT.

HIS ACTION CAME FAR TOO LATE, AND HE OFFERED A PLAN WHICH IS

UNFAIR TO THE WORKING MAN AND THE CONSUMER WHILE GIVING FAR

TOO MANY ECONOMIC ADVANTAGES TO THE CORPORATE SECTOR.

L THE PRESIDENT'S PHASE II ECONOMIC PLAN OFFERS LOTS OF MACHINERY

TO CONTROL THE ECONOMY BUT FEW DEVICES TO CREATE NEW JOBS NOW.

L AND I STRONGLY BELIEVE THAT THE PRESIDENT'S APPOINTMENTS TO
THE NEW PAY BOARD SHOULD BE CONFIRMED BY THE SENATE. THE CONGRESS
IS ENTITLED TO THIS HISTORICAL AND NECESSARY PARTICIPATION IN THE
GOVERNMENTAL PROCESS. ~~I INTEND TO INTRODUCE LEGISLATION REQUIRING~~

~~THE PRESIDENT TO SUBMIT THESE NAMES TO THE SENATE FOR CONFIRMATION~~
~~IF HE DOES NOT DO SO VOLUNTARILY.~~

#2 GOAL NUMBER 2: "TO HELP THOSE WHO CANNOT HELP THEMSELVES."

THAT WAS THE RHETORIC. LET'S LOOK AT THE REALITY.

PRESIDENT NIXON ASKED CONGRESS ON AUGUST 15 TO POSTPONE

FOR ONE YEAR DESPERATELY NEEDED WELFARE REFORM. AS THE WELFARE

CRISIS GROWS, AS STATES, COUNTIES AND CITIES ARE BANKRUPTED

BY RISING WELFARE COSTS, AND AS THE POOR CONTINUE TO BE NEGLECTED,

THOSE WHO CANNOT HELP THEMSELVES ARE NOT BEING HELPED BY THE

NIXON ADMINISTRATION.

#3/ GOAL NUMBER 3: "TO FEED THE HUNGRY."

THAT WAS THE RHETORIC. LET'S LOOK AT THE REALITY.

THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION HAS JUST EMASCULATED THE SCHOOL

LUNCH PROGRAM BY CHANGING THE REGULATIONS WHICH GOVERN PER

PUPIL EXPENDITURE.

School lunch

TWO MILLION MORE CHILDREN COULD HAVE BEEN REACHED BY THIS
PROGRAM IF THE REGULATIONS HADN'T BEEN TAMPERED WITH BY THE
PRESIDENT AND HIS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

FOR THE CHILDREN OF PENNSYLVANIA, MILLIONS OF HOT LUNCHES
WERE TO BE TURNED INTO COLD PROMISES UNTIL THE CONGRESS ACTED
TO RESTORE THE LUNCH MONEY.

#4 GOAL NUMBER 4: "TO PROVIDE BETTER HEALTH CARE FOR THE SICK."

THAT WAS THE RHETORIC. LET'S LOOK AT THE REALITY.

L PRESIDENT NIXON VETOED A \$2.79 BILLION, THREE-YEAR HOSPITAL
CONSTRUCTION BILL IN JUNE OF LAST YEAR. FORTUNATELY, THE
CONGRESS OVERRODE THE VETO, AND THE HILL-BURTON PROGRAM FOR
CONSTRUCTION AND MODERNIZATION OF HOSPITALS AND HEALTH FACILITIES
-- IN EXISTENCE SINCE 1947 -- BECAME LAW.

PRESIDENT NIXON CALLED THIS PROGRAM "FISCALLY IRRESPONSIBLE."

THE PRESIDENT ALSO VETOED THE FAMILY MEDICAL PRACTICES

ACT WHICH WOULD HAVE GIVEN \$225 MILLION TO HOSPITALS AND MEDICAL

SCHOOLS TO RELIEVE THE SERIOUS SHORTAGE OF DOCTORS. HIS VETO

STILL STANDS.

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#5/ GOAL NUMBER 5: "TO PROVIDE BETTER EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN."

ON MARCH 3, 1970, THE PRESIDENT SAID, "THIS ADMINISTRATION IS PREPARED TO COMMIT ITSELF TO SUBSTANTIAL INCREASES IN FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION -- TO PLACE THIS AMONG THE HIGHEST PRIORITIES IN OUR BUDGET."

THAT WAS THE RHETORIC. LET'S LOOK AT THE REALITY.

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ON AUGUST 11, 1970, PRESIDENT NIXON VETOED THE ENTIRE
\$4 BILLION OFFICE OF EDUCATION APPROPRIATION FOR FISCAL 1971
BECAUSE IT EXCEEDED HIS BUDGET REQUEST BY \$500 MILLION. THE
CONGRESS WAS ABLE TO OVERRIDE THE VETO, AND SUCH VALUABLE
PROGRAMS AS ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION GRANTS, EDUCATION
FOR THE HANDICAPPED, THE TEACHER CORPS, ADULT AND VOCATIONAL
EDUCATION PROGRAMS WERE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE.

#62 GOAL NUMBER 6: "TO PROVIDE MORE FULLY FOR THE AGED."

THAT WAS THE RHETORIC. LET'S LOOK AT THE REALITY.

PRESIDENT NIXON HAS CUT FEDERAL MEDICARE AID TO
"EXTENDED CARE FACILITIES" OR NURSING HOMES FROM \$340 MILLION
WHEN HE TOOK OFFICE TO \$180 MILLION IN 1970.

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THE PRESIDENT'S "GET TOUGH" RHETORIC TO ELIMINATE
SUB-STANDARD NURSING HOMES HAS RESULTED IN FIVE HEW MEDICAID
EMPLOYEES BEING ASSIGNED TO THIS EFFORT WHEN 150 ARE NEEDED
IN WASHINGTON ALONE AND 2,000 MORE IN THE FIELD TO SECURE THE
UP-GRADING OF NURSING HOMES.

#7 GOAL NUMBER 7: "TO RESTORE AND RENEW OUR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT"

THAT WAS THE RHETORIC. LET'S LOOK AT THE REALITY.

FOR FISCAL 1972, PRESIDENT NIXON HAS ASKED FOR ONLY
\$129 MILLION FOR AIR POLLUTION CONTROL -- LESS THAN ONE-THIRD
OF THE AMOUNT AUTHORIZED BY CONGRESS. HE ASKED FOR ONLY \$19.2
MILLION FOR RECYCLING INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS AND WAST MATERIALS
UNDER THE RESOURCES RECOVERY ACT OF 1970, A SMALL FRACTION OF
THE \$151 MILLION AUTHORIZED BY CONGRESS.

THE PRESIDENT HAS FROZEN ALMOST \$700 MILLION FOR
FISCAL 1971 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PROGRAMS FIFTY-SIX MILLION
DOLLARS HAVE BEEN IMPOUNDED FOR RURAL WASTE AND WATER DISPOSAL
GRANTS, \$200 MILLION FOR BASIC WATER AND SEWER GRANTS, AND \$11
MILLION FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY.

#8 GOAL NUMBER 8: "TO PROVIDE MORE AND BETTER JOBS AND MORE
AND GREATER OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL OF OUR PEOPLE."

THAT WAS THE RHETORIC. LET'S LOOK AT THE REALITY.

WHEN PRESIDENT NIXON TOOK OFFICE, UNEMPLOYMENT WAS 3.3
PERCENT. IT NOW STANDS AT 6.1 PERCENT WITH MORE THAN 5 MILLION
AMERICANS WITHOUT A JOB.

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ON DECEMBER 16, 1970, WITH 5 MILLION AMERICANS UNEMPLOYED, THE PRESIDENT VETOED THE FEDERAL MANPOWER TRAINING AND PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYMENT ACT. THIS BILL WOULD HAVE PROVIDED \$2 BILLION FOR MANPOWER TRAINING, \$2.5 BILLION FOR A PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM AND \$3 BILLION TO PREPARE EMPLOYEES FOR BETTER JOBS AND FOR SPECIAL FEDERAL PROGRAMS. IN ADDITION, THIS IMPORTANT LEGISLATION AUTHORIZED \$2 BILLION OVER THREE YEARS FOR A FEDERALLY SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM. THE VETO WAS NOT OVERRIDDEN.

THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION REMAINS ALMOST SILENT IN THE FACE OF UNPRECEDENTED UNEMPLOYMENT AMONG SKILLED WORKERS AND ENGINEERS IN THE AEROSPACE FIELD.

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WHERE ARE THE PROGRAMS TO CHANNEL THE SKILLS AND TALENTS
OF THESE MEN INTO THE CRUCIAL BATTLE TO SAVE OUR CITIES AND
CLEAN OUR AIR?

AND TODAY WHILE THE PRESIDENT TELLS THE NATION ABOUT A
PROGRAM THAT WILL BRING A "NEW PROSPERITY", THERE ARE TRAGICALLY
INADEQUATE PROGRAMS IN PHASE II TO CREATE THE MILLIONS OF NEW
JOBS NEEDED TO REDUCE WIDESPREAD UNEMPLOYMENT.

THE PRESIDENT'S ATTORNEY GENERAL ONCE SAID, "WATCH WHAT
WE DO, NOT WHAT WE SAY."

WELL, THE AMERICAN PEOPLE HAVE WATCHED AND WAITED IN
VAIN. PROMISES, YES; PERFORMANCE, NO.

NEARLY THREE YEARS HAVE BEEN LOST IN THE BATTLE TO GIVE
ALL AMERICANS ADEQUATE HEALTH CARE, DECENT HOUSING, GOOD JOBS,
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, QUALITY EDUCATION, AND LIVEABLE CITIES.

MY FRIENDS, EVERY AMERICAN IS ENTITLED TO BASIC
RIGHTS, TO MINIMUM STANDARDS WHICH BRING HIM SOCIAL JUSTICE
AND HUMAN DIGNITY. EVERY AMERICAN MUST HAVE:

- THE RIGHT TO PEACE
- THE RIGHT TO EMPLOYMENT
- THE RIGHT TO HEALTH
- THE RIGHT TO EDUCATION
- THE RIGHT TO A CLEAN ENVIRONMENT
- THE RIGHT TO JUSTICE

- THE RIGHT TO PUBLIC COMPASSION
- THE RIGHT TO A DECENT HOME
- THE RIGHT TO A SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD
- THE RIGHT TO EQUAL OPPORTUNITY
- THE RIGHT TO RECREATION
- THE RIGHT TO PRIVACY

AS AMERICANS, AS DEMOCRATS, LET US PLEDGE OURSELVES TO
SECURE THESE FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS FOR EVERY AMERICAN. OUR
DEMOCRACY WILL NEVER BE PERFECTED WITHOUT THEM.

THIS NATION CANNOT AFFORD LEADERSHIP THAT HOLDS
OUT THE PROMISE OF LOFTY GOALS, BUT DOES LITTLE TO ACHIEVE
THEM. WE CANNOT AFFORD A LEADERSHIP THAT IS UNWILLING TO
TRANSFORM THE HOPES AND DREAMS OF A PEOPLE INTO REALITY.

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