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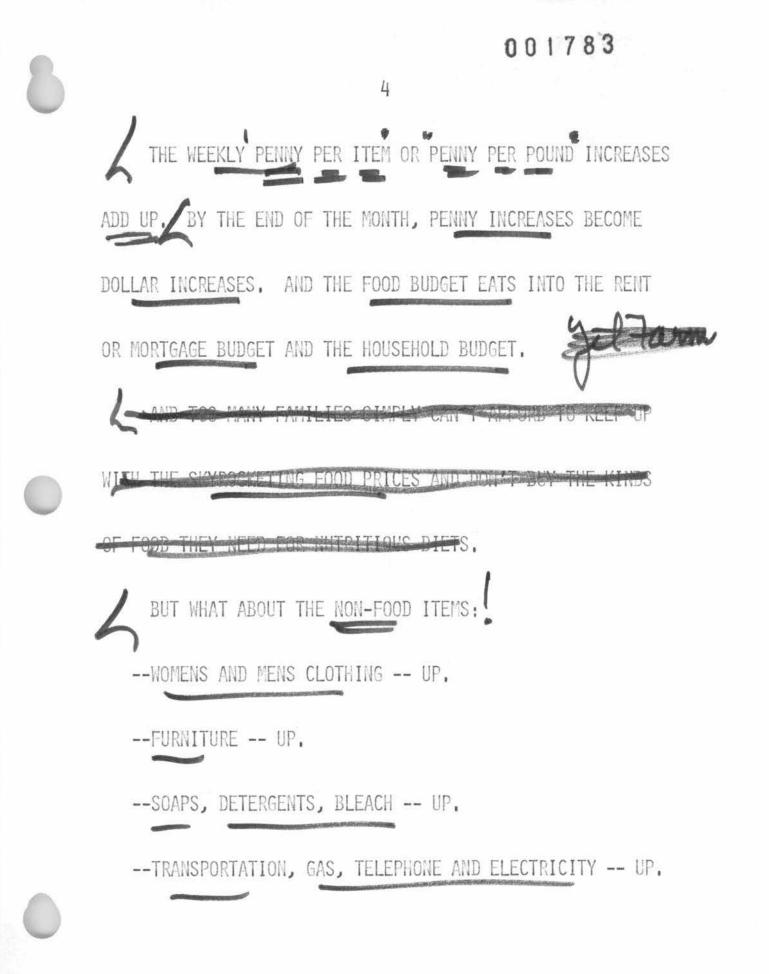
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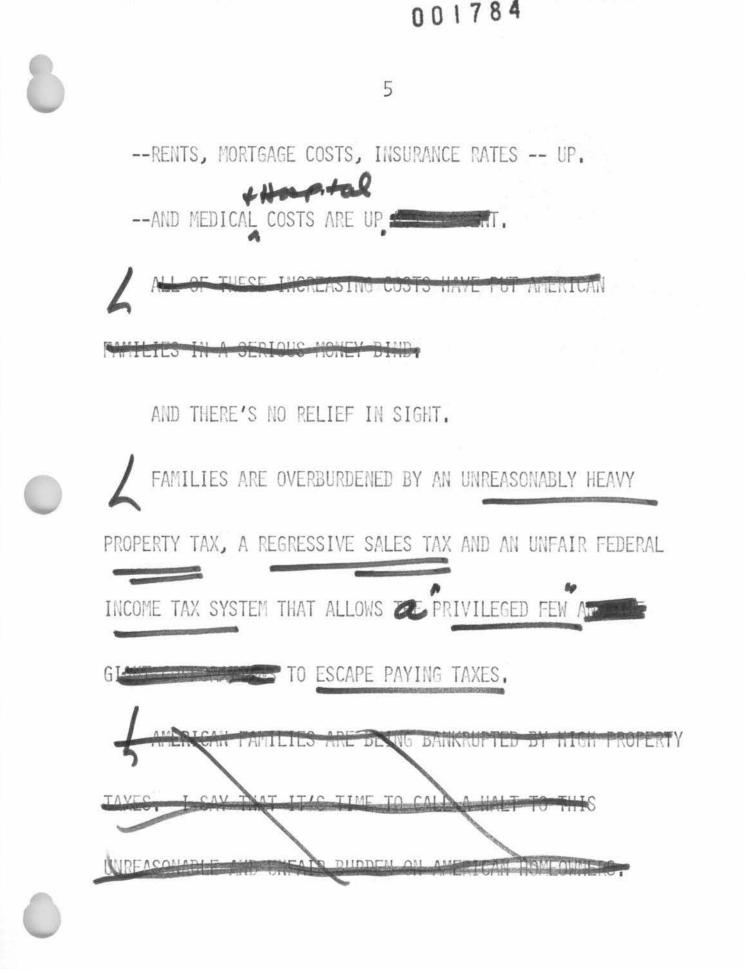
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NO ONE WOULD DOUBT THAT THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN AMERICA IS CHANGING. MORE WOMEN TODAY ARE WORKING. MORE WOMEN TODAY HAVE PROFESSIONAL CAREERS. MORE WOMEN TODAY ARE PLAYING KEY ROLES IN GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP. TODAY I WANT TO TALK ABOUT A CONCERN OF ALL MEN AND OUR FAMILIES. WOMEN: AND I WANT TO ASK: "WHAT'S HAPPENING TO AMERICAN FAMILO 2 Sutth- Pre natal . Post natal

001781 2 رمع OO MANY AMERICAN FAMILIES ARE BEING TORN APART BY SOCIAL FORCES WHICH OFTEN DIVIDE PARENTS FROM THEIR AND TODAY, HIGH TAXES AND HIGH PRICES MUST CHILDREN. BE ADDED TO THE LIST OF STRAINS AND STRESSES OF MODERN LIFE THAT EVERY AMERICAN FAMILY ENDURES. THE STRENGTH OF AMERICA HAS ALWAYS BEEN IN ITS FAMILMSIC AND IT'S THE TASK OF EVERYONE HERE TO MAINTAIN THAT STRENGTH, TO BUILD FAMILY LIFE AND TO MAKE FAMILIES ONE AGAIN. BUT THIS IS NOT AN EASY THING TO DO.

001782 3 ALMOST ALL AMERICAN FAMILIES ARE HAVING A DIFFICULT TIME MAKING ENDS MEET, AND FOR SOME FAMILIES, IT'S BECOMING IMPOSSIBLE TO MAKE ENDS MEET. LIVE VOU LOOK IT COSTS YOUR FAMILY MORE AND MORE torthe Elhity TO LIVE 4 THE SALARIES THAT KEEP YOUR FAMILY GOING ARE BEING DEVOURED BY RELENTLESS PRICE INCREASES AND SPIRALING Justle Elduly on Arc Second workent is donaly cruel INFLATION. GO TO THE SUPERMARKET ANYWHERE IN OHIO. FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES, DAIRY PRODUCTS, CEREAL AND BAKED GOODS, MEAT--THEY'VE ALL INCREASED AND THEY'RE ALL GOING HIGHER. Indown - 37#-127 mildler





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PROPERTY TAX RELIEF MUST BE ONE OF THE FIRST PRIORITIES OF GOVERNMENT, TO DE LOS TODAY, I AM A SPONSOR OF LEGISLATION DESIGNED TO RETURN MILLION TO THE STATE OF OHIO SO THAT YOUR PROPERTY TAXE CAN BE REDUCED BY 30 PERCENT AND YOUR PROPERTY TAXES FOR SCHOOL COSTS CAN BE REDUCED BY AS MUCH AS 50 PERCENT. BUT WORST OF ALL, WHILE TAXES AND PRICES GO UP, FAMILY WAGES AND SALARIES ARE HELD DOWN

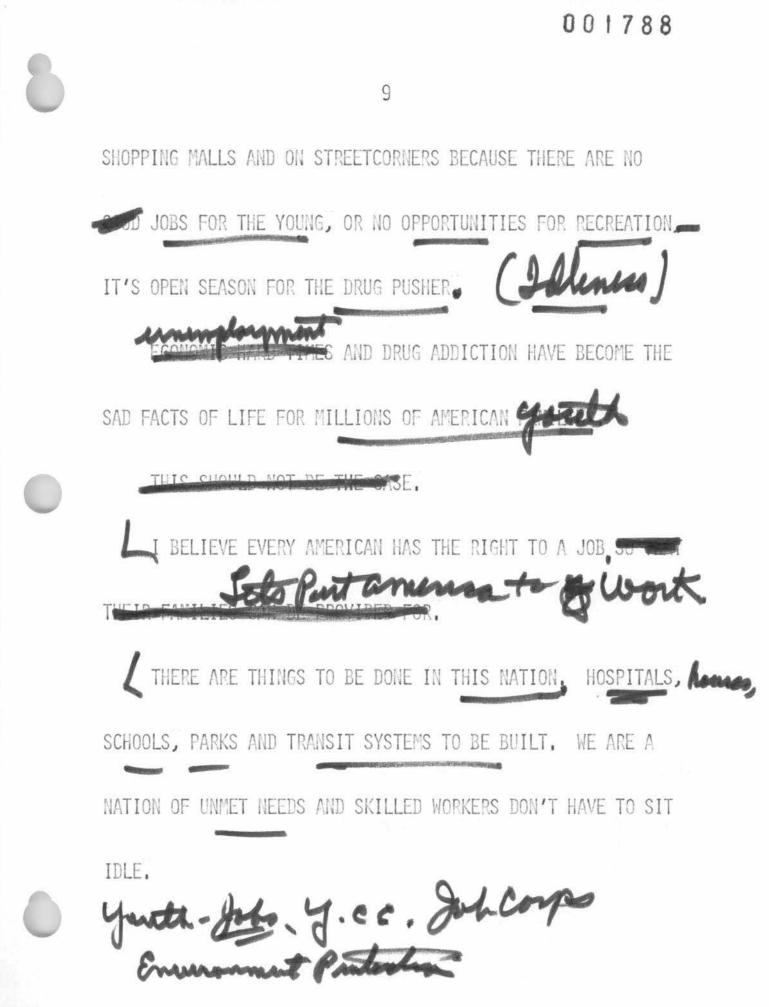
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001786 AND THE MOST FRIGHTENING AND ALARMING IS IS DRUG distro ABUSE IT DOESN'T MATTER WHERE YOU LIVE OR HOW MUCH MONEY YOU MAKE, DRUGS ARE ON OUR STREETS, IN OUR SCHOOLS AND THEY MAY BE NEXT DOOR --400,000 AMERICANS ARE HEROIN ADDICTS. er/ Durine 1. Mar

001787 8 WHAT'S THE RESULT OF WIDESPREAD DRUG ABUSE: --CHILDREN RUNNING AWAY. --PARENTS WONDERING WHAT THEY DID WRONG. -- INCREASED CRIME AND BURGLARIES. -- AND THE WORST OF ALL, DEATHS CAUSED BY DRUG ABUSE. THERE WERE MORE DRUG-RELATED DEATHS IN THE U.S. LAST YEAR THAN AMERICANS KILLED IN VIETNAM. DRUG ABUSE -- THAT'S THE REAL WAR, IT'S KILLING, SPLITTING AND BREAKING OUR FAMILIES. I'M NOT ONE TO SEARCH FOR SCAPEGOATS, BUT I'LL TELL YOU THIS: WHEN THE DOOR TO ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY AND

ADVANCEMENT IS LOCKED TIGHT, WHEN SUMMERS ARE SPENT IN



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WE CAN HOLD THE LINE ON PRICES WITH TOUGH ENFORCEMENT. WE CAN HALT THE ASSAULT OF INFLATION ON THE FAMILY PAYCHECK. WE CAN MAKE THE SUPERRICH PAY THEIR FAIR SHARE OF THE TAX LOAD.

AND WE CAN PUT THE DRUG PUSHER OUT OF BUSINESS IN YOUR COMMUNITY. WE CAN FIGHT AND DEFEAT HIM BY USING OUR SCHOOLS AS CENTERS FOR DRUG EDUCATION WE CAN DEMAND THAT OUR ALLIES JOIN US IN CUTTING OFF THE FLOW OF HEROIN INTO THE COUNTRY. WE CAN INCREASE OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT EFFORT TO CATCH THE PUSHER AND WE CAN HAVE STIFFER PENALTIES THAT WILL KEEP

HIM OUT OF OUR NEIGHBORHOODS FOR GOOD.

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AND WE MUST EXPAND OUR DRUG TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION PROGRAMS.

I DON'T BELIEVE FOR ONE MINUTE THAT AMERICAN FAMILIES HAVE TO BE TORN APART BY ECONOMIC CATASTROPHE OR DRUG ABUSE I KNOW ALL OF US WANT A FAIR SOCIETY WHERE OUR FAMILIES CAN BE SECURE.

WE ALL WANT A FAIR SOCIETY WHERE NO ONE BEARS A SPECIAL BURDEN OR SUFFERS A SPECIAL HARDSHIP.

AMERICAN FAMILIES WANT A FAIR SOCIETY WHERE THEY CAN GROW AND LIVE TOGETHER.

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Ohio State Federation of Women

No one would doubt that the role of women in America is changing.

More women today are working.

More women today have professional careers.

More women today are playing key roles in government

and community leadership.

I've observed these changes and I'm proud that I've then played a role in helping to bring about, these shanges

Today I want to talk about a concern of all men and women: our families.

And I want to ask: What's happening to American families

today?

Too many American families are being torn apart by social forces which often the ente ha parente. And today, high taxes and high prices must of modern life be added to the list of strains and stresses/that every American family must endures.

The strength of America has always been in its families.

And its the task of everyone here to maintain that

strength, to build family life and to make families one again.

But this is not an easy thing to do.

Almost all American families are having a difficult time making ends meet. And for some families, its becoming impossible to make ends meet.

Everywhere you look it costs your family more and more

to live.

The salaries that keep your family going are being devoured by \mathbf{x} relentless price increases and spiraling inflation.

Go to the supermarket anywhere in Ohio. Fresh fruits and vegetables, dairy products, cereal and baked goods, meat -- they've all increased and they're all going higher.

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The weekly penny per item or penny per pound add up. By the end of the month, penny increases become dollar increases. And the food budget eats into the rent or mortgage budget and the household budget.

And too many families simply can't afford to keep up with the skyrocketing food prices and don't buy the kinds of food for nutritious diets.

But what about the non-food items:

-- Womens and mens clothing -- UP

-- Furniture -- UP

-- Soaps, detergents, bleach -- UP

-- Transportation, gas, telephone and electricity - UP

-- Rents, mortgage costs, insurance rates -- UP

-- And medical costs are up 4.1%

All of these increasing costs have put American families in a serious money bind.

And there's no relief in sight.

Families are overburdened by an unreasonably heavy

But worst of all, while taxes and prices go up, family

propery tax, a regressive sales tax and an unfair Federal income tax system that allows the provident and the giant corporations

to escape paying taxes.

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wages and salaries are held down.

It's almost impossible to get a substantial salary increase.

For American families this bleak economic picture can mean the beginning the

And the tragic economic condition of too many families can only be matched by other forces which divide our families. Must fughting and And the scarriest and most alarming force is drug abuse.

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American families are being bankrupted by high property taxes. I say that it's time to call a halt to this unreasonable and unfair burden on American homeowners. Property tax relief must be **thev**privricy one of the first priorities of government.

I amm proud to say that I have been fighting for tax reform since I first came to the Senate in the early 1950's. Today I am a sponsor of legislation designed to return \$827 million dollars to the state of Ohio so that your property taxes can be reduced by 30 percent and your property taxes for school costs can reduced by as much as 50 percent. It doesn't matter where you live or how much money you make, drugs are on our streets, in our schools and they may be next door.

-- Four hundred thousand Americans are heroin addicts.

-- Eighteen percent of college students have used LSD and 51 percent of them have smoked marijuana.

What's the result of widespread drug abuse:

-- Children running away

-- Parents wondering what they did wrong

-- Increased crime and burglaries

-- And the worst of all, deaths caused by drug abuse. There were more drug related deaths in the U.S. last year than there were Americans killed in Vietnam, hast year.

Drug abuse -- that's the real war. It's killing, splitting and breaking our families.

I'm not one to search for scapegoats. But I'll tell you this: When the door to economic opportunity and advancement is locked tight, when summers are spent in shopping malls and on or No opportunities for recreation streetcorners because there are no good jobs for the young, it's open season for the drug pusher.

Economic distance and drug addiction have become the sad facts of life for millions of American families.

This should not be the case.

I believe every American has the right to a job so that he or she can provide for their families can be Provided for

There are things to be done in this nation. Hospitals, schools, parks and transit systems to be built. We are a nation of unmet needs and skilled workers don't have to sit idle.

We can hold the line on prices with tough enforcement. We can halt the assault of inflation on the family paycheck. We can make the super rich pay their fair share of the tax load.

And we can put the drug pusher out of business in your community.

We can fight and defeat him by using our schools as centers for drug education.

We can demand that our allies join us in cutting off the flow of heroin into the country.

We can increase our law enforcement effort to catch the pusher and we can have stiffer penalties that will kepp him out of our neighborhoods for good.

And we must expand our drug treatment and rehabilitation programs.

I don't believe for one minute that American families have to be torn apart by economic catrastophe or drug abuse.

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I know all of us want a fair society where our families can be secure.

We all want a fair society where no one bears a special burden or suffers a special hardship.

American families want a fair society where they can grow and live together.

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