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INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

TO Mr. Speaker DATE July 6, 1981

FROM: Don Roberts

SUBJECT: Speeches for the Licking County Young Democrat and
The Licking County Democratic Club. Note for News Conference.

Date: Tuesday, July 7, 1981. Newark, Ohio

1. News Conference at Newark City Hall; 4 p.m.
2. World Friendship Baseball Series opening, Sheraton-Newark; 5 p.m.
3. Dinner with Licking County Democratic Club (Cork and Cleaver Restaurant) 6 p.m.
4. Visit with and speak to Licking County Young Democrats; 7:30 p.m.
5. Speech to Licking County Democratic Club; 8 p.m.

Notes: Attached are background notes on the budget bill for news conference and speech for Young Democrats.

Speech for Licking County Democratic Club

Jon Hurst will be your driver. Rep. Branstool says he will drive you if you wish and that he will be with you at each event.

You should depart the statehouse by 3 p.m.

NOTES ON INTERIM BUDGET

Am. H.B. 638 -
Four months until Oct. 31, 1981

\$1.85 billion

Is a balanced budget; Keip - Sheridan

Continues state agencies at same spending levels - less 3%
Except - public schools and welfare.

\$75 million in Controlling Board for Emergencies - uneven
cash flow or other unexpected situations that confront state
agencies.

Out - expired - commission on Children and Mental Health and
Mental Retardation Joint Advisory Commission.

By fall we will have a better idea on the Federal budget, the
state's economy and unemployment so as to resume work on Am Sub HB 167
the regular state budget.

CAPITOL IMPROVEMENTS BILL

Am H.B. 552

passed House. Now in Senate
Finance Committee

\$718 million -

Senate leadership says they do not want to move the capitol
bill until a permanent budget is passed.

Debt service money for capitol bill (\$5.2 million -1982
and \$10 million - 1983) is in.

Am. HB 638 - the interim budget bill.

THE PRISON BILL

Am. HB 530

passed House - In Senate Finance Committee
after clearing the Senate Judiciary Committee.

It would place a prison reception center in Chillicothe.

YOUNG DEMOCRATS
LICKING COUNTY YOUNG DEMOCRATS
7:30 P.M., JULY 7, 1981
NEWARK, OHIO
COMMENTS BY OHIO HOUSE SPEAKER VERN RIFFE

FELLOW DEMOCRATS. THANK YOU FOR ASKING ME TO BE WITH YOU
FOR A TIME THIS EVENING.

WHAT A PLEASURE TO SEE YOUR YOUNG AND BRIGHT FACES.

YOU HAVE ENERGY AND ENTHUSIASM. THESE ARE TWO IMPORTANT
ASSETS. THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY NEEDS YOUR ENERGY, YOUR ENTHUSIASM,
YOUR HARD WORK AND YOUR DEDICATION.

THIS IS THE KIND OF ORGANIZATION THAT MAKES AMERICA GREAT.
OHIO IS AN OUTSTANDING STATE BECAUSE SO MANY YOUNG DEMOCRATS
ORGANIZED AND WORKED TOGETHER AND ACCOMPLISHED SO MUCH FOR OUR
FELLOW MEN.

I HAVE JUST A FEW WORDS ABOUT DEMOCRATS. WHAT IS A DEMOCRAT?
WHO ARE WE? WHAT DO WE DO? HOW DO WE THINK?

FIRST--WHAT IS A DEMOCRAT?

CITIZENS FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE. PEOPLE WHO CARE ABOUT PEOPLE AND THEIR WELL BEING.

DEMOCRATS ARE YOUNG, MIDDLE AGED AND SENIOR CITIZENS.

DEMOCRATS LOVE THEIR COUNTRY AND THEIR STATE.

DEMOCRATS SPEAK UP FOR WHAT IS RIGHT - WHAT EVER IS RIGHT.

DEMOCRATS SPEAK OUT AGAINST INJUSTICE AND INEFFICIENCY IN GOVERNMENT.

DEMOCRATS DISAGREE AMONG THEMSELVES SOMETIMES--BUT USUALLY COMPROMISE AND HANG TOGETHER FOR THE MAIN BATTLE AGAINST REPUBLICANS.

DEMOCRATS ARE PEOPLE WHO BELIEVE IN THE GREAT AMERICAN DREAM - THAT A MAN AND A WOMAN MAY ACHIEVE THE BETTER LIFE THROUGH WORK AND CARING ABOUT THEIR BROTHERS - THROUGH

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COOPERATION WITH THEIR FELLOW MAN - THROUGH TEAMWORK AND
GOOD CITIZENSHIP - THROUGH A RESPECT FOR THE RIGHTS OF OTHERS.

DEMOCRATS BELIEVE IN LAW - LAW THAT IS FLEXIBLE AND OPEN
TO CHANGES WITH THE TIMES - LAW THAT IS ALWAYS HUMANE AND
SERVING THE PEOPLE RATHER THAN RULING THE PEOPLE.

DEMOCRATS ARE MANY OTHER GOOD THINGS TOO - BUT THAT COULD
TAKE ALL NIGHT.

WHO ARE WE? WE DEMOCRATS

THOMAS JEFFERSON WAS A REAL DEMOCRAT - HE DRAFTED THE
DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, POSSIBLY THE GREATEST SERVICE
EVER DONE FOR THE COMMON MAN IN ALL THE HISTORY OF THE EARTH.

FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT WAS A DEMOCRAT, HE LED THIS NATION
OUT OF A DEPRESSION AND THROUGH THE MOST TERRIBLE WAR IN

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HISTORY. HIS PROGRAMS WERE FOR PEOPLE.

HARRY TRUMAN WAS A DEMOCRAT. HE PIONEERED CIVIL RIGHTS LEGISLATION, LABOR LEGISLATION AND SO MANY OTHER HUMANE CAUSES.

HUBERT HUMPHREY WAS A DEMOCRAT. ONE OF THE GREAT HUMANITARIAN LAW MAKERS OF ALL TIME WHO SHOULD HAVE BEEN PRESIDENT.

JOHN GLENN IS A DEMOCRAT. THE FIRST AMERICAN TO ORBIT THE EARTH IN SPACE FLIGHT AND NOW ONE OF OUR U.S. SENATORS WHO FIGHTS FOR THE RIGHTS AND WELL BEING OF PEOPLE.

GENE BRANSTOOL IS A DEMOCRAT: AN OUTSTANDING STATE LEGISLATOR.

DAVE MORRIS IS A DEMOCRAT: PRESIDENT OF THE LICKING COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CLUB.

TO FILL IN OTHER NAMES

WHAT DO WE DEMOCRATS DO?

WE WORK HARD AT OUR JOBS - IN PRIVATE BUSINESS, AS
LABORERS, SKILLED CRAFTSPEOPLE, PUBLIC SERVANTS AND THE REST.

WE VOTE. WE SPEAK OUT. WE SHARE IDEAS AND NEW THOUGHTS
WITH OTHERS.

WE CONTRIBUTE TO THE PARTY IN ORDER TO WIN ELECTIONS.

THOSE OF US IN COLUMBUS WORK HARD EVERY DAY TO PASS
LEGISLATION THAT IS BEST FOR ALL OF OUR STATE'S PEOPLE.

JUST SOME HIGHLIGHTS OF WHAT WE'VE DONE

WE HAVE HELPED THE POOR BY PASSING LAWS TO KEEP PEOPLE FROM
STARVING AND TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO HELP PEOPLE GET BACK ON THEIR

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FEET AND FIND JOBS.

DEMOCRATS HAVE PASSED LAWS TO HELP OLDER PEOPLE PAY THEIR
ENERGY BILLS.

DEMOCRATS HAVE PASSED LAWS THAT CREATED A DEPARTMENT OF
ENERGY SO THAT ENERGY PROBLEMS MAY BE SOLVED.

DEMOCRATS HAVE OPERATED OUR GOVERNMENT WELL WHEN THEY
HAD CONTROL.

DEMOCRATS HAVE ALWAYS SUPPORTED EDUCATION SO THAT OUR SCHOOLS
AND UNIVERSITIES CAN BE THE BEST. WE ARE BUSY TRYING TO FIND
SOLUTIONS TO THE SCHOOL MONEY PROBLEMS NOW AND WE WILL.

KEEP BEING GOOD DEMOCRATS.

KNOW ALL THE ISSUES ABOUT YOUR LOCAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTS.

CARE ABOUT YOUR FELLOW MAN.

WORK HARD FOR THE PARTY. IF YOU DO A GOOD JOB FOR THE
PEOPLE YOU WILL DO A GOOD JOB FOR THE PARTY--AND VICE VERSA.

GO OUT AND TALK TO YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS AND MANY
OTHERS THAT YOU FIND, TELL THEM ABOUT THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY AND
ITS CANDIDATES AND WHAT IT HAS DONE AND WILL DO FOR THE PEOPLE.

THANK YOU FOR ASKING ME TO BE WITH YOU. IT IS A JOY TO
SEE YOU ALL.