

one." Mikkelsen also supported the Contract, saying that in it "Republicans offer a vision ... that make the federal government once again a servant of the people": "We began this revolution in November of last year. We need to continue to perpetuate the ideals the Republican party holds dear -- ideals like family, quality education, work ethic, integrity, personal responsibility and accountability for one's actions" (Johnson, MISSOULIAN, 6/24).

***16 NEW JERSEY: DUHAIME OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCES SENATE BID**

Passaic Co. Freeholder Richard DuHaime formally announced his bid for NJ's GOP Senate nomination to oppose three-term Sen. Bill Bradley (D) in '96. In the primary, he will face a "far better-known" opponent, Rep. Richard Zimmer (R-12). DuHaime, a "staunch conservative and abortion foe": "I am running because I feel New Jersey has suffered long enough under the liberal policies of Democrats. Our state and national economy has been hurt, our quality of life has diminished, and our freedoms have been chipped away." He added that he would "eliminate the federal income tax as we know it today, and said that all "federal funding for abortion must end." DuHaime called Bradley "a liberal in every sense of the word": "It's his taxes, his regulation, his immigration policies, affirmative action quotas, and extreme environmentalism that has driven businesses and jobs from our cities, our state, and our country." DuHaime is chair of the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority, a regional agency that distributes federal funds, but he has "little political base" outside of Passaic Co (Voreacos, Bergen RECORD, 6/23). Other possible GOPer: Rep. Marge Roukema (R-05).

***17 VIRGINIA: DEMS ELECT STATE'S FIRST FEMALE PARTY CHAIR**

VA Dems elected Fairfax Co. Dem head Sue Wrenn to replace Mark Warner as chair of the state party. Warner is stepping down to prepare for a run against Sen. John Warner (R) in '96. Warner leaves his post "confident that the party is in better shape than it was when he took over two years ago." The VA Dem party now has a \$277,000 balance and "bucked the national trend" in '94 when it re-elected Sen. Charles Robb (D), as well as six of seven representatives. Wrenn is the first woman to head either major party in VA. She was the choice of Warner and LG Donald Beyer (D), and will serve at least until a party convention in '97. Currently operating a public relations firm in Fairfax Co., Wrenn had worked on Capitol Hill for ex-Sen. Harrison Williams (D-NJ) and Sen. Barbara Mikulski (D-MD). She also served in Pres. Carter's admin. (Whitley, RICHMOND TIMES-DISPATCH, 6/25). Possible GOP primary challenges to Sen. Warner: Reagan OMB dir./'94 Senate cand. Jim Miller and VA GOP Chair Patrick McSweeney.