

**THE TRIP**  
**of**  
**THE PRESIDENT**  
**to**  
**CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

**October 27 - 28, 1997**

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**SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT**

**FOR**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1997**

***REVISED FINAL SCHEDULE***

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**SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT  
FOR  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1997  
*REVISED FINAL SCHEDULE***

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| <b>NOTE:</b> <b>The First Lady will depart the White House for Chicago, Illinois at 7:00 am.</b> |
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| 9:00 am-  | <b>MEETING</b>                                                    |
| 9:30 am   | OVAL OFFICE<br>Staff Contact: Stephanie Streett                   |
| 9:30 am-  | <b>MEETING</b>                                                    |
| 9:45 am   | OVAL OFFICE<br>Staff Contact: Erskine Bowles                      |
| 9:45 am-  | <b>BRIEFING</b>                                                   |
| 10:00 am  | OVAL OFFICE<br>Staff Contact: Sandy Berger                        |
| 10:00 am- | <b>BRIEFING</b>                                                   |
| 10:15 am  | OVAL OFFICE<br>Staff Contact: Sandy Berger                        |
| 10:15 am- | <b>MEETING</b>                                                    |
| 10:20 am  | OVAL OFFICE<br>Staff Contact: Stephanie Streett                   |
| 10:20 am- | <b>BRIEFING</b>                                                   |
| 10:30 am  | OVAL OFFICE<br>Staff Contact: Mike McCurry                        |
| 10:30 am- | <b>MEETING</b>                                                    |
| 11:00 am  | OVAL OFFICE<br>Staff Contact: Mike McCurry<br><b>CLOSED PRESS</b> |

11:10 am-  
11:20 am  
**1996 PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE ON EMPLOYMENT FOR  
PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AWARD WINNERS' PHOTO  
OPPORTUNITY**  
OVAL OFFICE  
Staff Contact: Maria Echaveste  
**WHITE HOUSE PHOTO ONLY**

**Note: There will be 7 award recipients.**

11:25 am-  
11:30 am  
**BRIEFING**  
OVAL OFFICE  
Staff Contact: Daniel Wexler

11:30 am-  
11:35 am  
**MEET AND GREET**  
BLUE ROOM  
Staff Contact: Daniel Wexler  
Event Coordinator: Setti Warren  
**WHITE HOUSE PHOTO ONLY**

Greeters: Ms. Pat Summitt, Head Coach, University of Tennessee  
Basketball Team  
Mr. Lute Olson, Head Coach, University of Arizona Men's  
Basketball Team

11:35 am-  
11:50 pm

**NCAA BASKETBALL EVENT**  
**EAST ROOM**  
Remarks: Laura Capps  
Staff Contact: Daniel Wexler  
Event Coordinator: Setti Warren  
**OPEN PRESS**

- Off stage announcement of **the President**, the Vice President, Ms. Pat Summitt, and Mr. Lute Olson.
- The Vice President makes brief remarks and introduces **the President**.
- **The President** makes brief remarks and introduces Ms. Pat Summitt and Mr. Lute Olson.
- Ms. Pat Summitt makes brief remarks and invites a player tbd to present a gift to **the President** and the Vice President.
- Mr. Olson makes brief remarks and invites a player tbd to present a gift to **the President** and the Vice President.
- **The President** and the Vice President pose for a group photo with the Basketball Teams and proceed to the Blue Room.

11:50 am-  
12:15 pm

**PHOTO RECEIVING LINE**  
**BLUE ROOM**  
Staff Contact: Daniel Wexler  
Event Coordinator: Setti Warren  
**WHITE HOUSE PHOTO ONLY**

**Note: There will be approximately 130 guests in attendance.**

12:20 pm-  
12:50 pm

**BRIEFING FOR DEMOCRATIC LEADERSHIP COUNCIL SPEECH**  
**OVAL OFFICE**  
Staff Contact: Craig Smith

12:55 pm

**THE PRESIDENT** departs the White House via motorcade en route the Omni Shoreham Hotel  
[drive time: 10 minutes]

1:05 pm                   **THE PRESIDENT** arrives at the Omni Shoreham Hotel

Greeters:           Al From, Democratic Leadership Council  
                  Senator Joe Lieberman, DLC Chairman  
                  Will Marshall, Progressive Policy Institute  
                  Sanford Robertson, Robertson, Stephens and Company  
                  Jeanne Robertson

1:10 pm-  
1:50 pm                   **SPEECH TO THE DEMOCRATIC LEADERSHIP COUNCIL**  
                              **REGENCY BALLROOM**  
                              Omni Shoreham Hotel  
                              Remarks: Michael Waldman  
                              Staff Contact: Craig Smith  
                              Event Coordinator: Aviva Steinberg  
                              **OPEN PRESS**

- Off stage announcement of **the President**, Al From, Senator Joe Lieberman, Will Marshall, and Sanford Robertson.
- Sanford Robertson introduces **the President**.
- **The President** makes remarks.
- Al From will present a DLC Declaration on "Fast Track" to **the President**.
- **The President** works a ropeline and departs.

1:55 pm-  
2:05 pm                   **MEET AND GREET**  
                              **VIP ROOM**  
                              Omni Shoreham Hotel  
                              Staff Contact: Craig Smith  
                              Event Coordinator: Aviva Steinberg  
                              **OFFICIAL PHOTO ONLY**

- **The President** will do a receiving line with 15 people.

2:10 pm                   **THE PRESIDENT** departs the Omni Shoreham Hotel via motorcade en route the White House  
                              [drive time: 10 minutes]

2:20 pm                   **THE PRESIDENT** arrives the White House

|          |                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| 2:20 pm- | <b>LUNCH AND PHONE AND OFFICE TIME</b>                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 3:00 pm  | OVAL OFFICE                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 3:00 pm- | <b>FOREIGN POLICY MEETING</b>                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 4:00 pm  | CABINET ROOM                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|          | Staff Contact: Sandy Berger                                                                                                                                                                            |
|          | <b>CLOSED PRESS</b>                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 4:00 pm- | <b>PHONE AND OFFICE TIME</b>                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 6:30 pm  | OVAL OFFICE                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 6:35 pm  | <b>THE PRESIDENT</b> departs the White House via motorcade en route the Reflecting Pool<br>[drive time: 5 minutes]                                                                                     |
| 6:40 pm  | <b>THE PRESIDENT</b> arrives at the Reflecting Pool                                                                                                                                                    |
| 6:45 pm  | <b>THE PRESIDENT</b> departs the Reflecting Pool via Marine One en route Andrews Air Force Base<br>[flight time: 10 minutes]                                                                           |
| 6:55 pm  | <b>THE PRESIDENT</b> arrives Andrews Air Force Base                                                                                                                                                    |
| 7:05 pm  | <b>THE PRESIDENT</b> departs Andrews Air Force Base via Air Force One en route Chicago O'Hare International Airport, Chicago, Illinois<br>[flight time: 1 hour, 45 minutes]<br>[time change: - 1 hour] |

7:50 pm CST      **THE PRESIDENT** arrives Chicago O'Hare International Airport,  
Chicago, Illinois  
**CLOSED PUBLIC**  
**OPEN PRESS**

Greeters:      Colonel John Hughes, Commander of O'Hare International  
                         Airport, Air Reserve Station  
                         Mrs. Ellen Hughes

8:05 pm      **THE PRESIDENT** departs Chicago O'Hare International Airport via  
Marine One en route Meigs Field  
[flight time: approximately 10 minutes]

8:15 pm      **THE PRESIDENT** arrives at Meigs Field  
**CLOSED PUBLIC**  
**OPEN PRESS**

8:25 pm      **THE PRESIDENT** departs Meigs Field via motorcade en route the  
Chicago Cultural Center  
[drive time: 10 minutes]

8:35 pm      **THE PRESIDENT** arrives at the Chicago Cultural Center

Greeters:      none

--      **The President** proceeds to hold.

8:40 pm      **THE PRESIDENT** greets the First Lady upon her arrival at the Chicago  
Cultural Center

--      **The President** and the First Lady proceed to hold (optional).

WASHINGTON, D.C.  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1997

8:45 pm-  
8:55 pm

**HOLD**  
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE  
Chicago Cultural Center

**Note: The President and the First Lady will have 8 greeters on departure from the hold.**

Greeters: Phil and Karen Stefani  
Jerry and Carol Rober  
Bill Strong  
Tracey Pope  
Jay Bridgewater  
Michael Romano

8:55 pm

**THE PRESIDENT** and the First Lady proceed to the Theater

Greeters: Mayor Richard Daley  
Maggie Daley  
Lois Weisberg, Commissioner, Chicago Cultural Center

9:00 pm-  
TBD

**BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR THE FIRST LADY**

GAR HALL

Chicago Cultural Center

Remarks: none

Staff Contact: Patti Solis-Doyle

Event Coordinator: Karen Finney

**POOL PRESS (For remarks only)**

- Bagpipes play.
- Off stage announcement of **the President**, the First Lady, Mayor Bill Daley, and Mrs. Maggie Daley
- Mrs. Maggie Daley makes remarks.
- Mayor Richard Daley makes remarks.
- **The President** makes remarks.
- The First Lady makes remarks.
- Surprise guest leads "Happy Birthday."
- The First Lady is presented with the birthday cake.
- **The President** and the First Lady proceed to Yates Hall for a buffet dinner.
- Upon the conclusion of dinner, **the President** and the First Lady have the option to proceed to dancing.

**Note: There will be approximately 1,000 guests in attendance.**

TBD

**THE PRESIDENT** and the First Lady depart the Chicago Cultural Center via motorcade en route the Ritz Carlton Hotel  
[drive time: 10 minutes]

TBD

**THE PRESIDENT** and the First Lady arrive at the Ritz Carlton Hotel

BC AND HRC RON

**THE RITZ CARLTON HOTEL**  
**CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

STAFF RON

**THE REGAL KINCKERBOCKER HOTEL**  
**CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

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WEATHER:

CHICAGO, IL

Partly cloudy, breezy and warmer.

Wind southwest at 12 to 22 knots.

Low 34 to 39.

High 56 to 61.

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Mostly sunny.

Wind northwest at 10 to 20 knots becoming southwest at 5 to 20 knots by evening.

Low 38 to 43.

High 56 to 61.

**SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT  
FOR  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1997  
*FINAL SCHEDULE***

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| <b>NOTE:</b> | <b>The First Lady will depart the Ritz Carlton Hotel at 8:15 am.</b> |
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8:15 am- **BRIEFING FOR EDUCATION EVENT**  
8:35 am **DINING ROOM**  
The Ritz Carlton Hotel  
Staff Contact: Bruce Reed, Michael Cohen

8:40 am **THE PRESIDENT** departs the Ritz Carlton Hotel via motorcade en route  
the Oscar Mayer Public School  
[drive time: 10 minutes]

Greeters Upon Departure: Nichola Multon, General Manager, Ritz  
Carlton Hotel  
Robert Cima, Resident Manager, Ritz Carlton  
Hotel

8:50 am **THE PRESIDENT** arrives the Oscar Mayer Public School

Greeters: Mayor Richard Daley  
Congressman Rod Blagojevich  
Robert Blitstein, Principal, The Oscar Mayer Public School  
Paul Wallace, CEO, Chicago Public Schools  
Cozette Buckney, Chief Education Officer, Chicago Public  
Schools  
Gary Chico, President, Board of Trustees, Chicago Public  
Schools

9:00 am-  
9:50 am

**EDUCATION EVENT**

**GYMNASIUM**

The Oscar Mayer Public School

Remarks: June Shih

Staff Contact: Bruce Reed

Event Coordinator: Karen Finney

**OPEN PRESS**

- Off stage announcement of Gary Chico, Cozette Buckney, and Paul Wallace.
- Off stage announcement of **the President**, Congressman Rod Blagojevich, Mayor Richard Daley, Robert Blitstein, Maggie Sullivan, Mary and Evaline Medina.
- Robert Blitstein makes welcoming remarks and introduces Congressman Rod Blagojevich.
- Congressman Rod Blagojevich makes brief remarks and introduces Mayor Richard Daley.
- Mayor Richard Daley makes brief remarks and introduces Maggie Sullivan, 6TH Grade Teacher.
- Maggie Sullivan makes brief remarks and introduces Mary and Evaline Medina.
- Mary and Evaline Medina make brief remarks and introduce **the President**.
- **The President** makes remarks.
- Upon the conclusion of his remarks, **the President** works a ropeline and proceeds to the cafeteria.

**Note: The President will do Motorcade Driver photos en route the Cafeteria.**

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| <b>NOTE: Mayor Daley will depart at approximately 9:45 am.</b> |
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9:55 am-  
10:05 am

**DROP BY WITH STUDENTS**  
**CAFETERIA**

The Oscar Mayer Public School  
Staff Contact: Bruce Reed  
Event Coordinator: Karen Finney  
**STILLS ONLY**

-- **The President** works a ropeline with Kindergarten, 1ST and 2ND grade students.

-- **The President** proceeds to the motorcade.

**NOTE:**      **The 3RD, 4TH, 5TH, 6TH, 7TH and 8TH grade students from the school will greet the President upon departure from the school.**

**The President will also do police photos upon his departure from the school.**

10:15 am      **THE PRESIDENT** departs The Oscar Mayer Public School via motorcade en route Meigs Field  
[drive time: 15 minutes]

10:30 am      **THE PRESIDENT** arrives Meigs Field

10:40 am      **THE PRESIDENT** departs Meigs Field via Marine One en route Chicago O'Hare International Airport  
[flight time: 10 minutes]  
**OPEN PRESS**

10:50 am      **THE PRESIDENT** arrives Chicago O'Hare International Airport  
**CLOSED PUBLIC**  
**OPEN PRESS**

Greeters:      Colonel Richard Anders, Agitant Base Commander,  
O'Hare International Airport, Air Reserve Station

11:05 am      **THE PRESIDENT** departs Chicago O'Hare International Airport, Chicago, Illinois via Air Force One en route Andrews Air Force Base  
[flight time: 1 hour, 35 minutes]  
[time change: +1 hour]

1:40 pm EST      **THE PRESIDENT** arrives Andrews Air Force Base

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| 1:55 pm             | <b>THE PRESIDENT</b> departs Andrews Air Force Base via Marine One en route the Reflecting Pool<br>[flight time: 10 minutes] |
| 2:05 pm             | <b>THE PRESIDENT</b> arrives the Reflecting Pool                                                                             |
| 2:15 pm             | <b>THE PRESIDENT</b> departs the Reflecting Pool via motorcade en route the White House<br>[drive time: 5 minutes]           |
| 2:20 pm             | <b>THE PRESIDENT</b> arrives at the White House                                                                              |
| 2:45 pm-<br>3:00 pm | <b>MEETING</b><br>OVAL OFFICE<br>Staff Contact: Erskine Bowles                                                               |
| 3:00 pm-<br>4:30 pm | <b>BRIEFING FOR THE CHINESE STATE VISIT</b><br>CABINET ROOM<br>Staff Contact: Sandy Berger                                   |
| 4:30 pm-<br>5:30 pm | <b>PHONE AND OFFICE TIME</b><br>OVAL OFFICE                                                                                  |
| 5:30 pm-<br>6:00 pm | <b>BRIEFING</b><br>OVAL OFFICE<br>Staff Contact: John Hilley                                                                 |

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS  
WASHINGTON, D.C.  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1997

6:00 pm-  
6:45 pm      **CONGRESSIONAL MEETING**  
                 OVAL OFFICE  
                 Staff Contact: John Hilley  
                 **CLOSED PRESS**

9:00 pm-  
10:00 pm      **MEETING**  
                 RESIDENCE  
                 Staff Contact: Sandy Berger

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| <b>NOTE:</b> <b>The First Lady is scheduled to arrive back at the White House at 12:00 am.</b> |
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| <b>EVENING OFF</b> |
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**BC AND HRC RON      THE WHITE HOUSE**  
**WASHINGTON, D.C.**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1997**

**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON'S 50TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**

**DATE:** Monday, October 27, 1997

**LOCATION:** Chicago Cultural Center

**TIME:** 9:00 pm

**FROM:** Patti Solis Doyle

**I. PURPOSE**

To attend the City of Chicago's birthday celebration in honor of the First Lady.

**II. BACKGROUND**

The First Lady is scheduled to be in Chicago today for an interview at the Chicago Historical Society. The City of Chicago is throwing her a birthday celebration during her visit to the city.

**III. PARTICIPANTS**

There are 800 - 1000 guests expected, including, Mayor Richard Daley, his wife, Maggie, Chicago politicals, electeds, friends, family, and people the First Lady has met on her travels to Chicago since 1993.

**IV. PRESS PLAN**

The program portion of the birthday will be Pool Press.

**V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS**

-The First Lady will meet you at the Chicago Cultural Center and you will both proceed to Hold to meet the Daleys.

-Proceed to GAR Hall with the First Lady, the Daleys, and Lois Weisberg, Chicago Commissioner for Cultural Affairs, led by Emerald Society Bagpipers.

-Offstage announce onto stage, led by the Emerald Society Pipes and Drums.

-Lois Weisberg makes welcoming remarks and introduces Maggie Daley.

-Maggie Daley makes remarks and introduces Mayor Daley.

-Mayor Daley makes remarks and introduces you.

-You make remarks and introduce the First Lady.

-The First Lady makes remarks.

-Lois Weisberg introduces special presentations.

- Mayor Daley introduces Koko Taylor and Buddy Guy.
- Koko Taylor and Buddy Guy perform.
- Buddy Guy asks you and the First Lady to gather around cake as everyone sings "Happy Birthday" and the First Lady blows out the candles..
- You and the First Lady have the option of working a ropeline as you depart GAR Hall.
- Proceed to Taste of Chicago Buffet in Yates Gallery where the First Lady will cut an Eli's Cheesecake/Birthday.
- Options: GAR Hall - Gentlemen of Leisure Band/Dancing  
Yates Gallery - Taste of Chicago Buffet  
Chicago Sinfonietta  
First Floor - Coffee/Cordials/Dessert  
Music by Rockin' Johnny and the Lazy Boys,  
featuring Jimmy Burns

**VI. REMARKS**

Remarks - acknowledgement cards to be provided.

**VII. ATTACHMENTS**

N/A

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

October 27, 1997

**EDUCATION EVENT**

**DATE:** October 28, 1997  
**LOCATION:** Oscar Mayer School  
**BRIEFING TIME:** 8:15 am - 8:35 am  
**EVENT TIME:** 9:00 am - 10:00 am  
**FROM:** Bruce Reed/Michael Cohen

**I. PURPOSE:**

To demonstrate your commitment to high academic standards for students, and highlight your support for Chicago's efforts to end social promotions and intervene in failing schools. You will announce that you are directing the Department of Education to issue guidelines to all school districts on effective approaches to turning around failing schools.

**II. BACKGROUND:**

You will be addressing an audience of 150 parents, teachers, students, community leaders and educators from the Oscar Mayer School community. The Oscar Mayer School serves students from K-8 and has a very racially and economically diverse student body. The school has one of the lowest mobility rates in Chicago and has very active parental involvement.

You will announce that you are directing the U.S. Department of Education to produce and disseminate guidelines on effective approaches to turning around failing schools. These guidelines will be based on the experience's of cities such as Chicago, San Francisco, New York, and Philadelphia, as well as on lessons from business and from education research. You will also direct the Department to develop a plan for helping local school districts use existing federal education programs and resources, such as Title 1, the Charter Schools Program, America Reads, and the 21st Century Schools program, to improve or close down failing schools, and to provide the students from those schools with the extra help they need to catch up academically.

Since the enactment of legislation placing the Chicago school system under the control of Mayor Daley two years ago, the Chicago Public Schools have developed and implemented a comprehensive set of reforms, including a policy to end social promotions and hold students and schools accountable for student achievement. The new promotion policy requires students at grades 3, 6, 8, and 9 to meet academic and attendance standards and

earn passing grades in reading and math in order to be promoted to the next grade. Those who are not promoted are required to attend the Summer Bridge program, a 5-6 week highly structured summer school. Students are retested at the end of the summer program, and are promoted only if they meet the standard. (Note: While this is a tough policy deserving the praise it has received, the academic standards that anchor it are not especially challenging. The standards are simply minimum scores students must earn on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills, reported as grade level equivalents, which are often a full year or more below grade level.)

In the past school year, the average promotion rates of 3rd, 6th and 8th graders throughout the city were as follows: approximately 75% met promotion by the end of the school year in June, an additional 12% met the standards after completing the summer program, and approximately 13% were retained. The Oscar Mayer School was ahead of the city averages with only six students (approximately three percent) who were retained because they did not meet the standards after the Summer Bridge program.

The averages were significantly worse for 9th graders. Only 54% of 9th graders met the standards initially, and only 67% by the end of the summer. Accordingly, nearly a third of the 9th graders were held back.

In addition to holding students accountable, Chicago schools are also held to tough accountability standards. Schools with fewer than 15% of their students meeting the national norms in reading are placed on probation. These schools are reviewed by an external team, which helps develop a corrective action plan. If the school does not follow the plan or if the test scores fail to improve, the school district can take additional steps such as removing the principal and teaching staff.

### **III. PARTICIPANTS:**

#### **Briefing Participants:**

Sylvia Mathews

Rahm Emanuel

Michael Cohen

#### **Event Participants:**

Congressman Blagojevich

Mayor Richard Daley

Principal Robert Blitstein, Principal of the Oscar Mayer School

Teacher Maggie Sullivan, 6th Grade Teacher at the Oscar Mayer School

Parent Mary Medina, Parent of a 4th Grade Student at the Oscar Mayer School

Evaline Mary Medina, 4th Grade Student at the Oscar Mayer School

#### **IV. PRESS PLAN**

Open Press.

#### **V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS**

- Principal Robert Blitstein will make welcoming remarks and introduce Rep. Blagojevich.
- Rep. Blagojevich will make remarks and introduce Mayor Daley.
- Mayor Daley will make remarks and introduce Teacher Maggie Sullivan.
- Teacher Maggie Sullivan will make remarks and introduce Parent Mary Medina and Evaline Medina.
- Parent Mary Medina will make remarks and 4th Grade Student Evaline Medina will introduce you.
- You will make remarks and then depart.

#### **VI. REMARKS**

To be provided by June Shih in Speechwriting.

#### **VII. ATTACHMENTS**

- Presidential Memorandum to the Department of Education.
- Background on Chicago Public Schools.

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

**Standards and Accountability in Chicago Public Schools:  
Ending Social Promotions and Intervening in Failing Schools**

As part of its comprehensive approach to school improvement, the Chicago Public Schools have developed and implemented a particularly strong approach to holding students and schools accountable for student achievement, based on a set of academic standards and measures tied to them.

**Ending Social Promotions:** Chicago's new promotion policy requires students at grades 3, 6, 8 and 9 to meet academic and attendance standards, and earn passing grades in reading and math in order to be promoted. Students who are not promoted are required to attend the Summer Bridge program, a 5-6 week highly structured summer school. Students are retested at the end of the summer program. Those meeting the standard are then promoted, while those who don't must repeat the previous grade.

In addition to summer programs, the Chicago Public Schools have extensive after school programs to provide students with extra help in preparation for meeting the standards. The programs vary from school to school, and include tutorial academies, social centers, extended learning time programs, and after school academics. Many schools use trained, volunteer tutors, drawn from the corporate community and college students majoring in education.

While this is a tough policy deserving the praise it has received, the academic standards that anchor it are not especially challenging. The standards are simply minimum scores students must earn on the Iowa Test of Basic Skills, reported as grade level equivalents. For examples, in order to be promoted, 3rd graders must score at the 2.8 equivalent (second grade, eight month), a full year below grade level. By 8th grade, students must achieve at the 7.2 equivalent, more than a year and a half below grade level. Last year the Chicago Public Schools adopted new, more challenging, district-wide academic standards. Examinations geared to these standards are under development now.

In the past school year, approximately 75% of 3rd, 6th and 8th graders met promotion standards by June, an additional 12% of the students met the standards after the summer program, and approximately 13% on average were retained. The picture was significantly worse at the 9th grade level, where only 54% of the students met the standards initially, and only 67% by the end of the summer. Accordingly, nearly a third of the 9th graders were held back.

Note that the failure rates would be much higher if Chicago were to use the national tests in reading and math for promotion purposes. For example, nationwide, approximately 40% of the 4th graders are unable to read at the basic level of achievement on NAEP, and only xx% read at the more demanding proficient level, the target set by NAEP. Given Chicago's demographics, we would expect even smaller percentages of students to initially meet the national standards. And, for these reasons, it is unlikely that Chicago or other cities that have signed up for the tests

are likely to use them for "high stakes" promotional purposes.

**Intervening in Failing Schools:** Chicago also has a significant effort to intervene in persistently low performing schools. Schools with fewer than 15% of the students reading at national norms are placed on "probation", which means that a team of educators assesses the strengths and weaknesses of the school and designs a set of steps intended to improve the school. The schools is required to implement these corrective actions, and is monitored by an external team. If the school fails either to implement the improvement plan or to make significant progress in terms of student achievement, then the district may take additional steps, such as reconstitution, intervention or school closure. Under these more severe steps, the principal and school staff can be removed or required to reapply for their positions. In addition, the school receives additional assistance and monitoring from the central office.

Schools can be removed from the probation list if at least 20% of the student read at national norms.

In the 1996-97 school year, 109 schools (38 high schools and 71 elementary schools) were placed on probation. Of these, 9 were removed from probation because of improvements in student performance. In June, Superintendent Paul Vallas announced that seven high schools would be reconstituted.

These accountability initiatives, coupled with other management and financial reforms, and curricular and programmatic improvements, have been paying off. Test scores in Chicago Public schools, on the Iowa tests, state tests and the ACT tests have shown significant gains over the past two years.

**EDUCATION EVENT REMARKS  
TO BE  
FORWARDED**

October 27, 1997

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT**

**FROM:** Craig Smith, Minyon Moore and Angelique Pirozzi

**SUBJECT:** Illinois Politics

**PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION RESULTS**

| <b>1992</b> |           |     | <b>1996</b> |           |     |
|-------------|-----------|-----|-------------|-----------|-----|
| Clinton     | 2,453,350 | 49% | Clinton     | 2,341,744 | 54% |
| Bush        | 1,734,096 | 34% | Dole        | 1,587,021 | 37% |
| Perot       | 840,515   | 17% | Perot       | 346,408   | 8%  |

**POLITICAL DATA**

Governor: Jim Edgar (R) 64% in 1994  
U.S. Senate: Dick Durbin (D) 54% in 1996  
Carol Moseley-Braun (D) 53% in 1992  
U.S. House: 10D / 10R  
State Senate: 28D/31R  
State House: 60D/58R  
Electoral Votes: 22

**ILLINOIS AT A GLANCE...**

- \* The current unemployment rate in Illinois is 4.9%, down from 7.2% in 1992.
- \* The most recent estimate of Illinois' population is just less than 12 million, making Illinois the 6th most populous state in the nation.
- \* 74% of Illinois residents are white, 14.8% are African-American, 8.4% are Hispanic and, 2.8% are Asian/Pacific Islander.
- \* 12.5% of Illinois residents are 65 years of age or over.
- \* Median household income is \$35,081.
- \* 76.3% of Illinois residents have a high school degree while 21.1% have a bachelor's degree or more.

**PREVIOUS TRAVEL**

- \* **You and The First Lady** attended a fundraiser in Chicago for Senator Carol Moseley-Braun's reelection campaign and the DSCC on June 25th.
- \* **The Vice President** was in Chicago on September 29, 1997 where he met with Baptist Ministers, did an education event at Galileo Scholastic Academy with Mayor Daley, and visited with the editorial board at Ebony/Jet Magazine. He concluded his day's events at a DNC fundraiser in Highland Park, IL.

### **CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION**

The members of the delegation are:

|                                    |                                       |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Senator Dick Durbin (D)            | Senator Carol Moseley Braun (D)       |
| Representative Bobby Rush (D)      | Representative Jesse Jackson, Jr. (D) |
| Representative Bill Lipinski (D)   | Representative Luiz Gutierrez (D)     |
| Representative Rod Blagojevich (D) | Representative Henry Hyde (R)         |
| Representative Danny Davis (D)     | Representative Phillip Crane (R)      |
| Representative Sidney Yates (D)    | Representative John Edward Porter (R) |
| Representative Jerry Weller (R)    | Representative Jerry Costello (D)     |
| Representative Harris Fawell (R)   | Representative Dennis Hastert (R)     |
| Representative Thomas Ewing (R)    | Representative Donald Manzullo (R)    |
| Representative Lane Evans (D)      | Representative Ray LaHood (R)         |
| Representative Glenn Poshard (D)   | Representative John Shimkus (R)       |

### **STATE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS AND LEGISLATIVE LEADERS**

|                           |                         |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Governor:                 | Jim Edgar (R)           |
| Lt. Governor:             | Bob Kustra (R)          |
| Attorney General:         | Jim Ryan (R)            |
| Secretary of State:       | George Ryan (R)         |
| State Comptroller:        | Loleta Didrickson (R)   |
| Senate President:         | James "Pate" Philip (R) |
| Senate Democratic Leader: | Senator Emil Jones (D)  |
| Speaker of the House:     | Michael Madigan (D)     |
| House Republican Leader:  | Lee A. Daniels (R)      |

### **1998 GUBERNATORIAL RACE**

In August, Governor Jim Edgar made a surprise announcement that he would retire from politics rather than run for re-election or challenge Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun. Edgar said that heart problems and bypass surgery a few years ago "made me realize that there were lots of things in life I'd like to do." With Edgar retiring, Secretary of State George Ryan announced on September 2 he would seek the Republican Party's nomination for Governor. He billed himself as the right person to continue retiring Governor Jim Edgar's work, and touted his ability to work with leaders on both sides of the isle. However, Ryan's opposition to the proposed Equal Rights Amendment in 1982 while serving as House speaker and his long standing support for restrictions on abortion, run the risk of alienating moderate suburban Republican women. In a very recent turn of events Republican leaders have been successful in getting Comptroller Loleta Didrickson to run for Senate (see Senate Race), thus ensuring the gender balance much needed on the Republican ticket. Didrickson's decision could provide Ryan with some leverage in his choice for the party's nomination for lieutenant governor. Before, he had been looking for a moderate female to serve as his running mate, but now he may consider it more important to find a Downstate candidate to provide regional balance to the ticket.

On the Democratic side, Representative Glenn Poshard, John Schmidt (former Associate U.S. Attorney General / former Daley Chief of Staff), former U.S. Attorney James Burns, and former Attorney General Roland Burris, have all announced for the March 1998 primary. They are all

considered to be very viable and credible challengers. Former US Attorney Roland Burris is the only Democrat in the race who has previously campaigned statewide, and in '78 was the first African-American ever elected to an Illinois constitutional office. His political credentials may have weakened with losses at the polls for governor in '94 primary and for Chicago mayor in an Independent bid in '95. Former U.S. Attorney Jim Burns (D), who has made enemies in the Chicago Democratic organization for exposing corruption, indicting federal, state, county and city officials on charges ranging from bribery to ghost payroll, could appeal to the voters demand for a corruption free political environment. Two-thirds of the statewide Democratic primary vote is in Cook County and Burns is well known there.

The alliances so far are as follows: *Burns* -- Mike Madigan; *Schmidt* -- David Wilhelm and probably Mayor Daley; *Poshard* -- John Gianulas and downstate chairs; *Burris* -- possibly the African American Congressional Delegation and Reverend Jesse Jackson, Sr.

### **1998 SENATE RACE**

Senator Carol Moseley-Braun's potential opposition, Governor Jim Edgar, announced his intentions not to run for elected office in the near future. Last month Attorney General Jim Ryan ended his study of a possible run for Senate and is now running for re-election. But in a sudden turn of events on Thursday, Illinois Comptroller Loleta Didrickson reversed her decision on a run for Secretary of State and announced she would take on state Senator Peter Fitzgerald for the Republican nomination. Didrickson's abrupt decision was pushed by Republican Party leaders, who had been searching without success to install a moderate female at the top of the Republican ticket. Her decision will impact Moseley-Braun if she receives the Republican nomination. Secretary of State George Ryan, the presumptive Republican gubernatorial nominee, had been looking for gender balance in shaping the Republican ballot in '98. Democratic insiders feel that the Republican primary will be an extremely divisive one with Fitzgerald willing to spend his \$50 million.

The other announced Republican challenger is Michael Patrick Flanagan. The former Congressman, 34, has yet to raise any money or line up any Republican support. But he argues that the fame he gained from unseating Democratic powerhouse Dan Rostenkowski gives him a head start. He spent two years in the House and was subsequently beaten by Congressman Rod Blagojevich (D) in 1996. Flanagan is also anti-choice even in cases of rape or incest.

Moseley-Braun's campaign finance disclosure statements released June 30, show her successfully retiring her '92 campaign debt with about \$300,000 in the bank for her reelection bid thanks to a fundraiser attended by **The President and The First Lady** in late June. The President has a tentative date to travel back to Illinois in November to do a DNC fundraiser. The Senator has also asked **The First Lady** via letter to do a message event in Illinois in the future.

A September poll shows Senator Carol Moseley-Braun ahead of all her Republican challengers but with marginal approval ratings, she still faces a tough race.

### **General Election Matchup**

|               |     |               |     |               |     |
|---------------|-----|---------------|-----|---------------|-----|
| Moseley-Braun | 43% | Moseley-Braun | 44% | Moseley-Braun | 43% |
| Salvi         | 36% | Fitzgerald    | 29% | Didrickson    | 29% |

## **DOWN-BALLOT RACES**

**Attorney General.** Attorney General Jim Ryan (R) who briefly explored a bid for the Senate, is seeking re-election. Three weeks ago, City Treasurer Miriam Santos (D) said that she will seek the 1998 Democratic nomination for Illinois Attorney General. Santos is of Puerto Rican descent, and is the first Hispanic and the second woman elected to citywide office. She lined up substantial support among members of the state Democratic Central Committee, which will endorse the party's ticket later this fall. Mayor Daley offered a rare political endorsement to Santos, who will be competing with Chicago lawyer Clinton Krislov (D) in the primary. Daley has a history of remaining neutral in contested Democratic primaries. Clint Krislov is already running, but some "dismiss his chances of catching fire." It has been reported that former Department of Justice official John Schmidt, would be a viable candidate if he is willing to go for this post. He is currently running for governor.

**Secretary of State.** As noted above, Secretary of State George Ryan is running for Governor, leaving open the Secretary of State post. It is being reported that former state Representative Al Salvi, the Republican '96 Senate nominee is focusing on a run for this seat. It is also reported that state Representative Robert Churchill (R) will announce on Nov 2.

On the Democratic side, former Secret Service agent Tim McCarthy, who was shot while guarding former President Ronald Reagan, has announced. Other announced Democrats include Senator Penny Severns of Decatur and Cook County Recorder of Deeds Jesse White who launched his campaign on Tuesday.

**Treasurer.** Incumbent Judy Baar Topinka (R) is running again.

**Comptroller.** Dan Hynes, son of Democratic Party heavyweight Tom Hynes, announced his candidacy for Comptroller. Hynes was the Political Director for the Clinton/Gore '96 Illinois reelection campaign and is the second Democrat to announce. Also running is Fred Lebed (D), an aide to Cook County Board President John Stroger (D). On the Republican side, as DuPage County Board Chairman Gayle Franzen (R) was said to be "about 95 percent sure" that he'll seek the office.

**Lieutenant Governor.** Lieutenant Governor Bob Kustra (R) followed Governor Edger's lead and announced he would not run for elective office next year. He had been considered a potential candidate for several seats although he did not rule out a run for office in the future. Kane County Coroner Mary Lou Kearns (D) would like the Democratic nod. On the GOP side, "it's up in the air." especially in light of Didrickson's Senate bid. But pro-choice state Sen. Kathleen Parker (R) could provide "Chicago-area balance on a ticket with George Ryan." if that is what he will be looking for in a lieutenant governor.

## **HOT ISSUES**

### **Alderman Huels**

The controversy swirling around former Alderman Patrick Huels of Ward 11, ended Tuesday when he resigned from his aldermanic post. Huels, Mayor Richard Daley's floor leader and trusted advisor, quit amid mounting evidence that he used his public office to benefit his private security firm. After nearly a week of *Chicago Sun-Times* stories about his alleged conflicts of interest, Huels admitted to poor judgment and apologized for the embarrassment he caused. The company that Huels co-owned received a \$1.25 million loan from Michael Tandin, a trucking contractor who had received a \$1.1 million city subsidy with Huels' help. Although Huels and Daley are both from the same Bridgeport area of Chicago, Daley pressured the resignation. In addition to his political entanglement, Huels neglected to pay a city head tax on employees for about two years, tallying a bill around \$50,000. After Huels' resignation, Daley and the city's aldermen rushed to tighten ethics provisions on Wednesday.

### **Police Brutality**

Chicago citizens once again protested the rampant instances of police brutality and unfair treatment of minorities in downtown Chicago Wednesday. The event resulted from the suspension of two Grand Central District officers accused of beating an 18-year-old West Side man. The crowd of about 300 protesters led by the victim's mother, Colleen Mearday, said the police officers' punishment will never fit the crime. On Tuesday, Police Supt. Matt Rodriguez suspended the two officers after the Police Office of Professional Standards concluded its investigation of alleged verbal and physical maltreatment of Jeremiah Mearday.

Veteran observers of the police discipline process and lawyers who deal with it regularly, however, contend the Mearday case has been unusual--in part because it resulted in a recommendation that the officers be fired. Of more than 3,200 police misconduct investigations completed in 1996 by the Office of Professional Standards, fewer than two dozen resulted in a recommendation for firing, according to department figures. The protest on Wednesday continued the hostility displayed at the rally on the West Side on October 13 where crowds stretched for 1 ½ blocks and drew the states top African American political leaders. Among those present were Representatives Bobby Rush (D), Danny Davis (D), and gubernatorial candidate Roland Burris.

### **Rostenkowski**

Former Congressman Daniel Rostenkowski (D), was released from federal custody this month. Rostenkowski's release came a couple months short of the original 17-month sentence he received after pleading guilty to federal mail-fraud charges relating to the operation of his House office.

### **Operation Silver Shovel**

Former Alderman Lawrence Bloom (5th) is the 5th Alderman and the 13th person, if charged and convicted, to go down in one of the most talked about corruption cases in Chicago. Federal prosecutors, who for the past year have been reinforcing local voter's worst suspicions about corrupt public officials, finally offered a bombshell July 8th, indicting Bloom who had build a reputation as a champion of clean government. The indictment, part of the Operation Silver Shovel investigation, alleged that Bloom brazenly sold out his office by pocketing \$16,000 in cash bribes from a notorious

illegal dumper. This is seen by insiders and Chicagoans alike as a huge shock and by far the biggest surprise in this investigation. Bloom, who was regarded as squeaky-clean before the 14-count indictment, was accused of two other fraud schemes in addition to the Silver Shovel allegations.

The pace of Silver Shovel has quickened in recent months with the conviction of Alderman Jesse Evans (21st), and the indictments of Alderman Ray Frias (12th); Thomas Fuller, former president of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District; and John Bolden, a former city water commissioner, on bribery charges. Aldermen Ambrosio Medrano (25th) and Allan Streeter (17th) pleaded guilty last year and are no longer council members.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

October 25, 1997

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: THURGOOD MARSHALL, JR. TM  
JON P. JENNINGS JPS

SUBJECT: HOT ISSUES -- CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

**Third Airport:** On October 19, Congressmen Henry Hyde and Jesse Jackson Jr. stepped up efforts to push for construction of a third airport in south suburban Peotone. They contend that a third airport is necessary to accommodate increased air travel through the Chicago area. The proposed airport has been dropped from FAA's airport planning list, meaning that it is ineligible for federal funds. (DOT)

**Counter-Narcotics Effort:** Mayor Daley has been critical of Administration counter-narcotics efforts as they impact Chicago. He voiced these criticisms to you and the media at the White House on May 21, 1997. The fundamental problem in counter-narcotics activity in Chicago has been the lack of a mechanism to attack mid-level drug dealers, those who do not generally warrant federal prosecution but who deserve significant attention. To that end, the Cook County District Attorney has formed a strike force to address this problem. The strike force will coordinate with federal authorities to assure that there is an appropriate information exchange. (DOJ)

**Chicago Property Issue:** Mayor Daley and Chicago Public Schools (CPS) CEO Vallas have requested that DOEd release the city from obligations to the department regarding CPS' plans to vacate and sell. DOEd, CPS and GSA, which must approve any agreement, are in negotiations over terms of the release. DOEd and GSA maintain that CPS must pay 14/30ths of the property's value, or \$859,000, to obtain a release from the conditions because the deed required CPS to use the building for educational purposes for 30 years and CPS has only done so for 16 years. (DOEd)

**Food Stamp/Welfare Reform Lawsuit:** The city of Chicago filed a lawsuit July 10 against Secretaries Shalala and Glickman, as well as others, in an effort to invalidate the federal welfare reform legislation involving legal permanent resident aliens because it is felt that the laws are discriminatory and unconstitutional. The city is challenging actions taken that have the intent and effect of denying certain benefits to some residents. There will be a hearing in Federal District Court on November 3. (USDA)

**Operation Silver Shovel Indictment:** The ongoing federal probe of public corruption, expanded its reach into the Chicago Park District with the indictment on October 23 of a former employee who allegedly took thousands of dollars in bribes from contractors and companies to steer business their way. This was reported in the *Chicago Tribune* the following day.

**Empowerment-Zone Controversy:** On October 24, the *Chicago Tribune* reported that the implementation of Chicago's Empowerment Zone has been "stuck in startup mode" after three years into its 10 year obligation. There has been much controversy over whether the program has been effective in eliminating red tape and creating jobs. According to the city, only \$6 million of the \$100 million in federal grants has been appropriated.

## PRESIDENT CLINTON'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

### *Illinois*

#### **EXPANDING ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL:**

- **Unemployment Down to 4.4%:** The unemployment rate in Illinois has declined from 7.2% to 4.4% since 1993.
- **463,000 New Jobs:** 463,000 new jobs have been created in Illinois since 1993 -- an average of 106,846 jobs per year, compared to an average of just 26,425 jobs per year in the previous administration.
- **49,200 New Manufacturing Jobs:** 49,200 new manufacturing jobs have been created since 1993 -- an average of 11,354 jobs per year. In contrast, an average of 13,200 jobs that were *lost* each year under the previous administration.
- **158,000 Have Received a Raise:** Approximately 158,000 Illinois workers benefited from an increase in the minimum wage -- from \$4.25 to \$4.75 -- on October 1, 1996. They, along with about 272,000 more, will receive an additional raise -- from \$4.75 to \$5.15 -- on September 1, 1997.
- **3,692,600 Protected By Family & Medical Leave:** Approximately 3,692,600 Illinois workers are covered by the Family & Medical Leave Law, which allows workers to take up to 12 weeks unpaid leave to care for a new baby or ailing relative [1995 data].

#### **FIGHTING CRIME AND VIOLENCE:**

- **3,422 More Police:** The President's 1994 Crime Bill has funded 3,422 new police officers to date in communities across Illinois [through 6/97].
- **Over \$5 Million to Combat Domestic Violence:** Through the Violence Against Women Act, Illinois was allocated \$5.2 million this year federal funds this year [FY97] to establish more women's shelters and bolster law enforcement, prosecution, and victims' services. Illinois received \$4.6 million under VAWA in FY96.
- **Over \$2 Million in Grants for Battered Women:** In 1998, Illinois will receive an estimated \$2 million in HHS's Family Violence Prevention Program grants to assist women and children fleeing domestic abuse.
- **Over \$23 Million to Keep Drugs & Violence Out of Illinois Schools:** Illinois receives \$23 million in FY97 for the Safe & Drug Free Schools Program, which invests in school security and drug prevention programs.

#### **MOVING ILLINOIS RESIDENTS FROM WELFARE TO WORK:**

- **117,378 Fewer People on Welfare:** There are 117,378 fewer people on welfare in Illinois now than there were at the beginning of 1993 -- a 17% decrease [through 4/97].
- **Child Support Collections Up 33%:** Child support collections have been increased by over \$60 million -- or nearly 33% -- in Illinois since FY92 [through FY96].

#### **EXPANDING ACCESS TO EDUCATION:**

- **Nearly \$149 Million in Head Start Funding:** In FY96, Illinois received \$148.9 million in Head Start funding, benefitting nearly 32,000 students. This year, Illinois receives \$165.6 million, an increase of \$16.7 million over 1996.
- **Nearly \$3 Million for Early Head Start:** In FY 96, Illinois communities received nearly \$3 million in Early Head Start funding to provide basic early education, nutrition, and family development to low-income families with children under three. Early Head Start was established in the reauthorization of the Head Start Act, signed by President Clinton in 1994.

- **\$21 Million in Goals 2000 Funding:** This year [FY97], Illinois receives \$21 million in Goals 2000 funding. This money is used to raise academic achievement by raising academic standards, increasing parental and community involvement in education, expanding the use of computers and technology in classrooms, and supporting high-quality teacher professional development.
- **\$9 Million for Technology Literacy:** This year [FY97], Illinois receives \$9 million for the Technology Literacy Challenge Fund which helps communities and the private sector ensure that every student is equipped with the computer literacy skills needed for the 21st century.
- **\$334 Million for Students Most in Need:** Illinois receives \$344 million in Title I grants providing extra help in the basics for students most in need, particularly communities and schools with high concentrations of children in low-income families [FY97].
- **\$140.5 Million for Students with Disabilities:** This year, Illinois will receive \$140.5 million under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to help ensure high quality educational opportunities for an estimated 267,391 disabled students in Illinois.
- **\$58 Million for Vocational and Adult Education:** This year, \$58 million helps Illinois's students and workers prepare for the 21st Century with technical and academic training. The funding also includes the School-to-Work program, bridging high school with vocational education.
- **\$213 Million in Pell Grants:** Illinois receives \$213 million this year in Pell Grant funding, which helps Illinois's low-income students go to college.
- **Nearly 2000 Volunteers Have Served in Illinois through AmeriCorps:** This year, 132 AmeriCorps participants are serving their communities while earning money for college by working in Illinois's schools, hospitals, neighborhoods or parks. Since the National Service program began in 1994, nearly 2000 volunteers have served Illinois in 156 different programs [through FY97].

#### **INVESTING IN ILLINOIS'S HEALTH:**

- **Helping Illinois Women and Children with WIC:** The Clinton Administration is committed to full funding in the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC). Today in Illinois, 9,378 more women and children in need are receiving health and food assistance than in 1994
- **\$15.7 Million in Ryan White Funds:** Since President Clinton took office, funding for the Ryan White CARE Act has increased by 159% nationwide. In FY97, Chicago received an \$8.2 million Ryan White formula award and a \$7.5 million supplemental grant to care for people living with AIDS and HIV.

#### **PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT:**

- **5 Toxic Waste Sites Cleaned Up:** Since 1993, the EPA has completed 5 Superfund toxic waste cleanups in Illinois, in Taylorville, Pembroke Township, LaSalle, Marshall, and Wauconda [through 6/97]. This is more than the number of sites cleaned up in Illinois during the previous twelve years combined (4).
- **5 Brownfields Pilots in Illinois:** Since 1993, the EPA has awarded 5 Brownfields Demonstration Pilots in Illinois -- regional pilots in Chicago, East St. Louis, and the State of Illinois, and national pilots in West Central Municipal Conference and Cook County. These projects are intended to jump-start local clean-up efforts by providing funds over a two year period to return unproductive, abandoned, contaminated urban properties to productive use.

### ***SPEARHEADING URBAN RENEWAL EFFORTS:***

- ***\$100 Million to Chicago:*** Chicago was designated an Empowerment Zone in December 1994 and was awarded \$100 million to create more jobs, housing, and economic opportunity for city residents. As part of this project, First Chicago has initiated a \$100,000 pilot program to help 75 to 100 qualified families buy their first homes.
- ***\$6 Million to Other Illinois Communities:*** Additionally, East St. Louis and Springfield were both designated Enterprise Communities, and were awarded \$3 million each for similar job creation efforts.

### ***EXPANDING FUNDS FOR TRAVEL IMPROVEMENT:***

- ***Over \$1.3 Billion to Improve Mass Transit:*** The FTA has provided \$1.37 billion since 1993 to improve public transportation in Illinois [through FY97].
- ***\$3.6 Billion in Highway Funds:*** Since 1993, Illinois has received approximately \$3.6 billion in federal highway aid. These funds have helped generate over 150,000 jobs [through FY97].
- ***Nearly \$365 Million in Airport Improvement Funds:*** Since 1993, Illinois has received nearly \$365 million in airport improvement funds [through 6/97].

# ILLINOIS IS MOVING FORWARD WITH MORE JOBS AND TRADE

## *Illinois Is Moving In The Right Direction*

- **Unemployment Is Down.** Since January 1993, the Illinois unemployment rate has declined from 7.2% to 4.4%.
- **471,000 New Jobs In Illinois.** 470,600 new jobs since 1993 have been created in Illinois.- employment growth nearly 5 times faster than the four years before President Clinton took office.
- **Exports From Illinois Are Up 74%.** In the first 6 months of 1997, Illinois' goods exports were running at a rate of \$37 billion -- up 74% since 1992. Illinois' exports of manufactured products were also up 68% from \$20 billion to \$34 billion in 1997\*.
- **433,500 Jobs In Illinois Are Supported By Trade.** Jobs supported by goods exports increased 40% -- up 124,000 to 433,500 in 1997\*-- paying an average of 15% more than non-trade related jobs.
- **Industrial Machinery and Computers Exports Are Up 70%.** Industrial machinery and computers exports have increased 70% since 1993 from \$6 billion to over \$10 billion in 1997\*-- creating more higher paying jobs for more people in Illinois.
- **49,000 New Manufacturing Jobs In Illinois.** 49,400 new manufacturing jobs have been created in Illinois since 1993-- after losing over 52,000 during the 4 years before President Clinton took office.
- **Household Incomes Are Up \$3,879 In Illinois.** Since 1993, real median household income in Illinois has increased by \$3,879 -- from \$35,675 in 1993 to \$39,554 in 1996.

\* All figures for 1997 are annualized based on exports for the first 6 months.

## *America Is Moving In The Right Direction; Now Is Not The Time To Turn Back*

*President Clinton's three part economic strategy of cutting the deficit, investing in our people through education and training and opening more markets to U.S. goods is working. Now is the time to continue that progress by renewing fast track authority to help create more jobs that pay more.*

- **13.2 Million New Jobs.** The economy has created 13.2 million new jobs under President Clinton. Private sector job growth rate nearly 8 times greater than during previous Administration.
- **Unemployment Rate Down To 24-Year Low.** In 1992, the unemployment rate was 7.5%. Today it is under 5% -- as low as it's been at any time in the last 24 years.
- **1.7 Million New Export-Related Jobs -- Paying On Average 15% Higher Wages.** Since President Clinton took office, the number of export-related jobs has increased by 1.7 million.
- **Family Income Up nearly \$2,200.** After stagnating for 20 years, family incomes are rising again. Since 1993, the income of the typical American family increased by \$2,169, after adjusting for inflation.
- **Exports Are Up By Nearly 50%.** Since the beginning of 1993, exports from the U.S. have grown by nearly 50% -- up \$318 billion -- after adjusting for inflation. Exports have accounted for 38% of the overall growth in the economy since 1993.
- **Renewed Growth In Key Industries.** After a decade of enormous job losses in construction, manufacturing, and autos, these industries have made a remarkable recovery -- more than one million new jobs combined under President Clinton.
- **Smallest Deficit in Two Decades.** Under President Clinton, the deficit has been cut by more than 90% -- from a record \$290 billion in 1992 to an expected \$23 billion this year.

**THE TRIP**  
**of**  
**THE PRESIDENT**  
**to**  
**PALM BEACH**  
**and**  
**AMELIA ISLAND, FLORIDA**

**October 31 - November 1, 1997**

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SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT  
FOR

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1997

*FINAL SCHEDULE*

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WEATHER: WASHINGTON, D.C.  
*Partly cloudy with increasing cloudiness  
and a chance of showers late in the day.  
Wind southwest at 10 to 20 knots.  
Low 40 to 45. High 55 to 60.*

WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA  
*Partly cloudy with isolated showers.  
Wind east at 5 to 10 knots.  
Low 67 to 72. High 83 to 88.*

AMELIA ISLAND, FLORIDA  
*Partly cloudy with isolated showers.  
Wind east at 5 to 10 knots.  
Low 75 to 80. High 83 to 88.*

WASHINGTON, D.C.  
PALM BEACH, FLORIDA  
AMELIA ISLAND, FLORIDA  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1997

**SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT  
FOR  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1997  
*FINAL SCHEDULE***

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**NOTE: THE VICE PRESIDENT WILL TAPE THE RADIO ADDRESS THIS WEEK.**

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6:30 am      **THE PRESIDENT** departs The White House en route the Reflecting Pool  
[drive time: 5 minutes]

6:35 am      **THE PRESIDENT** arrives the Reflecting Pool

6:45 am      **THE PRESIDENT** departs the Reflecting Pool via Marine One en route  
Andrews Air Force Base  
[flight time: 10 minutes]

**Note: This departure is closed to staff and guests**

6:55 am      **THE PRESIDENT** arrives at Andrews Air Force Base  
**CLOSED PUBLIC**  
**OPEN PRESS**

7:05 am      **THE PRESIDENT** departs Andrews Air Force Base via Air Force One en  
route Palm Beach International Airport  
[flight time: 2 hours]

9:05 am      **THE PRESIDENT** arrives Palm Beach International Airport  
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**NOTE:      EDGAR MARTINEZ (NEW HOPE CHILDREN'S WISH FOUNDATION)  
AND FAMILY WILL GREET THE PRESIDENT UPON ARRIVAL.**

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Greeters:      Governor Lawton Chiles  
State Senator Tom Rossin  
Burt Aaronson, Palm Beach County Chairman

9:20 am        **THE PRESIDENT** departs Palm Beach International Airport via motorcade  
en route Tropical Shipping Warehouse  
[drive time: 15 minutes]

9:35 am        **THE PRESIDENT** arrives Tropical Shipping Warehouse

Greeters:       Mayor Clara Williams, Riviera Beach  
Rick Murrell, President, Tropical Shipping  
Steven Schwack, Chairman of Port of Palm Beach District  
Commissioners  
Debra Braziel, Worker, Tropical Shipping

9:40 am-       **REMARKS ON FAST TRACK**

10:40 am       **PARKING LOT**  
Tropical Shipping Warehouse  
Remarks: Lowell Weiss  
Staff Contact: Victoria Radd  
Event Coordinator: Laura Graham

**OPEN PRESS**

**Note: There is a pre-program.**

- Off-stage announcement of Governor Lawton Chiles, Representative Peter Deutsch, Representative Mark Foley, Mayor Clara Williams, Riviera Beach, Rick Murrell, President, Tropical Shipping, Steven Schwack, Chairman of Port of Palm Beach District Commissioners, and Secretary William Daley.
- Off-stage announcement of **the President** and accompanied by Debra Braziel, worker, Tropical Shipping, to "Ruffles and Flourishes" and "Hail to the Chief".
- Rick Murrell makes brief welcoming remarks and introduces Governor Chiles.
- Governor Chiles makes brief remarks and introduces Debra Braziel.
- Debra Braziel makes brief remarks and introduces **the President**.
- **The President**/Secretary William Daley makes remarks.
- Upon conclusion of remarks, **the President** works a ropeline and departs.

**Note: There will be 2 group photos (5 person each) prior to departure.**

WASHINGTON, D.C.  
PALM BEACH, FLORIDA  
AMELIA ISLAND, FLORIDA  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1997

10:45 am      **THE PRESIDENT** departs Tropical Shipping Warehouse via motorcade en route  
Lighthouse Elementary School  
[drive time: 20 minutes]

11:05 am      **THE PRESIDENT** arrives Lighthouse Elementary School.

Greeters:      Mayor Karen Golonka, Jupiter  
Una Hukill, Principal, Lighthouse Elementary School  
Jessica Haft, Student, Lighthouse Elementary School

**Note: The President will pose for a photo with the Medical Staff of St. Mary's Hospital (the staff who treated his injury in March).**

**Note: The President will proceed through a student honor guard on the way to the stage.**

11:10 am-  
11:50 am

**BRIEF REMARKS TO STUDENTS**

ATHLETIC FIELD [rain site: tbd]

Lighthouse Elementary School

Remarks: Jordan Tamagni

Staff Contact: Bruce Reed

Event Coordinator: Laura Graham

**OPEN PRESS**

- Off-stage announcement of Secretary William Daley, Representative Peter Deutsch, Representative Mark Foley and Mayor Karen Golonka, Jupiter.
- Off-stage announcement of **the President** accompanied by Jessica Haft, student, Lighthouse Elementary School, and Una Hukill, Principal, Lighthouse Elementary School to "Ruffles and Flourishes" and "Hail to the Chief."
- Una Hukill makes brief welcoming remarks and introduces Jessica Haft.
- Jessica Haft makes brief remarks and introduces **the President**.
- **The President**/Secretary William Daley makes remarks.
- Upon conclusion of remarks, **the President** works a ropeline and departs.

**Note: There will be driver/police photos prior to departure.**

WASHINGTON, D.C.  
PALM BEACH, FLORIDA  
AMELIA ISLAND, FLORIDA  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1997

11:55 am      **THE PRESIDENT** departs Lighthouse Elementary School via motorcade en route  
Private Residence  
[drive time: 30 minutes]

12:25 pm      **THE PRESIDENT** arrives Private Residence

Greeters:      Sidney Kohl, Lunch Co-host  
Dorothy Kohl, Lunch Co-host  
Harriett Zimmerman, Lunch Co-host  
Jerome Zimmerman, Lunch Co-host

12:30 pm-  
1:25 pm

**DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE LUNCH**

LIVING ROOM/DINING ROOM

Private Residence

Remarks: Jordan Tamagni

Staff Contact: Craig Smith

Event Coordinator: Laura Graham

**PRINT REPORTER ONLY (Remarks Only)**

**AUDIO TO FILING CENTER**

**Note: 25 guests will be in attendance.**

- **The President**, accompanied by Sidney and Dorothy Kohl, enters the room and greets guests informally.
- **The President** and guests are seated in the dining room.
- Lunch is served.
- Sidney Kohl makes brief remarks and introduces Harriet Zimmerman.
- Harriet Zimmerman, makes brief remarks and introduces **the President**.
- **The President**/Secretary William Daley makes remarks and departs.

WASHINGTON, D.C.  
PALM BEACH, FLORIDA  
AMELIA ISLAND, FLORIDA  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1997

1:30 pm        **THE PRESIDENT** departs private residence via motorcade en route  
the PGA Golf Resort  
[drive time: 20 minutes]

1:50 pm        **THE PRESIDENT** arrives PGA Golf Resort

Greeters:      Jim Autry, President, PGA of America

1:50 pm-  
7:30 pm        **DOWN TIME/GOLF**  
**PRESIDENTIAL SUITE**  
PGA Golf Resort

**Note: Tee time is 2:00 pm. (estimated sun-down is 6:00 pm).**

7:35 pm        **THE PRESIDENT** departs PGA Golf Resort via motorcade en route  
Boca Raton private residence  
[drive time: 55 minutes]

8:30 pm        **THE PRESIDENT** arrives Boca Raton private residence

Greeters:      John Henry, Dinner Host  
Peggy Henry, Dinner Host

8:35 pm-  
9:10 pm

**PHOTO RECEIVING LINE**  
LIVING ROOM  
Private Residence  
Staff Contact: Craig Smith  
Event Coordinator: Laura Graham  
**CLOSED PRESS**

-- **The President** does a photo receiving line with 75 guests.

9:15 pm-  
10:00 pm

**DCCC DINNER**  
OUTDOOR TENT  
Private Residence  
Remarks: Jordan Tamagni  
Staff Contact: Craig Smith  
Event Coordinator: Laura Graham  
**POOL PRESS (Speaking Program Only)**

**Note: This event is business attire.**

**Note: 75 guests will be in attendance.**

-- **The President** accompanied by Secretary William Daley  
Representative Richard Gephardt and Representative Martin Frost,  
enters the room and proceeds to his seat at the head table.

-- John Henry makes welcoming remarks.

-- Dinner is served.

-- Representative Martin Frost makes brief remarks and introduces  
Representative Richard Gephardt.

-- Representative Richard Gephardt makes brief remarks and  
introduces **the President**/Secretary William Daley.

-- **The President**/Secretary William Daley makes remarks and departs.

WASHINGTON, D.C.  
PALM BEACH, FLORIDA  
AMELIA ISLAND, FLORIDA  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1997

10:05 pm      **THE PRESIDENT** departs the Private Residence via motorcade en route  
Palm Beach International Airport  
[drive time: 35 minutes]

10:40 pm      **THE PRESIDENT** arrives Palm Beach International Airport  
**CLOSED PUBLIC**  
**OPEN PRESS**

10:55 pm      **THE PRESIDENT** departs Palm Beach International Airport via Air Force  
One en route Jacksonville International Airport, Jacksonville, Florida  
[flight time: 1 hour]

11:55 pm      **THE PRESIDENT** arrives Jacksonville International Airport, Jacksonville,  
Florida  
**CLOSED PUBLIC**  
**OPEN PRESS**

Greeter:      Kenneth R. Krauter, President and Chief Executive Officer,  
Jacksonville Port Authority

12:05 am      **THE PRESIDENT** departs the Jacksonville International Airport,  
Jacksonville, Florida via Marine One en route Amelia Island Airport, Amelia  
Island, Florida  
[flight time: 15 minutes]

12:20 am      **THE PRESIDENT** arrives Amelia Island Airport, Amelia Island, Florida

Greeter:      Derek Miller, Island Aviation Services

12:30 am      **THE PRESIDENT** departs Amelia Island Airport via motorcade en route  
Amelia Island Ritz Carlton Resort  
[drive time: 10 minutes]

12:40 am

**THE PRESIDENT** arrives at the Amelia Island Ritz Carlton Resort

Greeters: Scott Nassar, General Manager  
Pat Berry, Executive Assistant  
Steve Bulo, Hotel Manager  
Frank Cavella, Director, Sales and Marketing

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**AMELIA ISLAND RITZ CARLTON RESORT**  
**AMELIA ISLAND, FLORIDA**

HRC RON

**CHEQUERS**  
**LONDON, ENGLAND**

SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT

FOR

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1997

*DRAFT SCHEDULE*

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AMELIA ISLAND, FL

**SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT  
FOR  
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1997  
*DRAFT SCHEDULE***

**NOTE:** The Vice President and Mrs. Gore are scheduled to arrive at 7:00 pm

**NOTE:** All events are casual attire with the exception of the Dinner.  
Senior Staff Room is Amelia Room Advance Office 219-221.

9:30 am- **BRIEFING**  
9:45 am **BOARD ROOM**  
Amelia Island Ritz Carlton Resort  
Staff Contact: Craig Smith

9:45 am- **DROP BY DNC BREAKFAST**  
10:05 am **SALON THREE**  
Amelia Island Ritz Carlton Resort  
Remarks: Michael Waldman  
Staff Contact: Craig Smith  
Event Coordinator: Laura Graham  
**OPEN PRESS**

**Note: Casual Attire.**

- **The President** is announced into the room by Governor Roy Romer
- **The President** makes brief remarks.
- **The President** proceeds to brief hold, while guests proceed to break-out sessions.

10:05 pm- **DRIVER PHOTOS**  
10:10 pm **HALLWAY**  
Amelia Island Ritz Carlton Resort

10:15 am-  
12:00 pm

**DNC BREAK-OUT SESSIONS**  
AMELIA ISLAND RITZ CARLTON RESORT  
Talking Points: Michael Waldman  
Staff Contact: Craig Smith  
Event Coordinator: Laura Graham

**Note: Casual Attire.**

10:15 am- **SESSION ONE - EDUCATION**

10:45 am SALON TWO

**POOL PRESS**

-- **The President** enters the room and takes his seat.

-- Governor Roy Romer, Facilitator, updates **the President** on the discussion and re-engages the group as **the President** observes.

-- **The President** departs.

10:50 am- **SESSION TWO - GLOBALIZATION AND TRADE**

11:20 am SALON ONE

**PRINT REPORTERS ONLY**

**AUDIO TO FILING CENTER**

-- **The President** enters the room and takes his seat.

-- Governor Roy Romer, Facilitator, updates **the President** on the discussion and re-engages the group as **the President** observes.

-- **The President** departs

11:25 am- **SESSION THREE - ARTS AND CULTURE**

11:55 am PLAZA ONE

**PRINT REPORTERS ONLY**

**AUDIO TO FILING CENTER**

-- **The President** enters the room and takes his seat.

-- Governor Roy Romer, Facilitator, updates **the President** on the discussion and re-engages the group as **the President** observes.

-- **The President** departs

12:05 pm-  
1:05 pm

**DNC LUNCH**  
**SALON THREE**  
Amelia Island Ritz Carlton Resort  
Staff Contact: Craig Smith  
Event Coordinator: Laura Graham  
**OPEN PRESS (Speaking Program Only)**

**Note: Casual Attire.**

**Note: The President does not make remarks at this lunch.**

- **The President**, accompanied by Governor Roy Romer, enters the room and is seated for lunch.
- Alan Solomont makes remarks and introduces Abbi Joseph Cohen
- Abbi Joseph Cohen makes remarks.
- Lunch concludes.
- Upon conclusion of lunch **the President** departs.

1:15 pm-  
8:00 pm

**GOLF/DOWN TIME**  
**AMELIA ISLAND RITZ CARLTON RESORT**

AMELIA ISLAND, FLORIDA  
STATEN ISLAND, NEW YORK  
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
WASHINGTON, D.C.  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1997

8:00 pm-  
9:30 pm

**DNC DINNER**  
**SALON 2 AND 3**  
Amelia Island Ritz Carlton Resort  
Remarks: Michael Waldman  
Staff Contact: Craig Smith  
Event Coordinator: Laura Graham  
**OPEN PRESS (Speaking Program Only)**

**Note: The attire for this event is business attire.**

- On-stage Announcement of **the President** and the Vice President into the Room by Carol Pensky, DNC Treasurer.
- Carol Pensky introduces the Vice President.
- The Vice President makes brief remarks and introduces **the President**.
- **The President** makes remarks.
- **The President** and the Vice President proceed to their seats (each will sit at a different table).
- Dinner is served.
- Entertainment by Art Garfunkel and Billy Porter begins.
- **The President** departs.

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**AMELIA ISLAND RITZ CARLTON RESORT**  
**AMELIA ISLAND, FLORIDA**

HRC RON

**AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE**  
**LONDON, ENGLAND**

October 31, 1997

**SPEECH ON FAST TRACK AT  
THE PORT OF WEST PALM BEACH**

|           |                                            |
|-----------|--------------------------------------------|
| DATE:     | October 31, 1997                           |
| LOCATION: | Tropical Shipping, Port of West Palm Beach |
| TIME:     | 9:35 a.m.                                  |
| FROM:     | Victoria Radd                              |

**I. PURPOSE**

Accompanied by Secretary Daley, you will rally support for renewal of traditional trading authority in advance of the House and Senate floor votes scheduled for next week.

**II. BACKGROUND**

**The Location.** Secretary Daley and you will attend an event at warehouses for Tropical Shipping in West Palm Beach. Tropical Shipping was founded in 1960 by a small construction firm that was having trouble finding cargo companies that could meet its shipping needs in the Bahamas at affordable costs. That company - now known as Tropical Shipping - has grown over the past four decades to become a major provider of transportation and logistics in the Caribbean. Tropical now has 900 employees, serves thousands of customers throughout the region, and is the largest containerized cargo carrier in the Caribbean region. The company owns and maintains custom-built ships, containers, freight stations, trucks, warehouse, cranes and cargo handling equipment.

Tropical operates two facilities in the Palm Beach area. One facility is located at the Port of Palm Beach and handles bulk cargo that is shipped directly from supplier to purchaser. The facility you are at is a cargo receiving warehouse. This station takes different U.S. shipments that are going to the same buyer, consolidates the different products into one container that is then received as a complete package by the foreign purchaser. Although this represents a small portion of Tropical's overall business, this service enables smaller U.S. exporters to reach the Caribbean market.

Tropical carries more U.S. exports to the Caribbean market than any other ocean carrier, excluding those in Puerto Rico. From 1993 - 1996, Tropical saw a 30% increase in its export tonnage from 1.1 million tons to 1.43 million tons.

**The Event.** Secretary Daley and you will be highlighting the growing importance of exports to our domestic economy. The Port of West Palm Beach illustrates just how much our current prosperity can be attributed to increases in American exports. Exports from the West Palm Beach and Boca Raton areas are up by 25 percent over the last three years and now total almost \$1 billion a year. Exports from the entire state are up by 50 percent over the past three years.

You will be accompanied by Secretary Daley, Governor Chiles, Congressmen Mark Foley (R - FL 16; leaning towards supporting fast track) and Peter Deutsch (D - FL 20; undecided but "gettable" on fast track.) Governor Chiles will speak and announce that Florida Enterprise, the newly privatized Florida Department of Commerce, has endorsed fast track. You will be introduced by Debra Braziel, a worker who coordinates export shipments for foreign buyers of U.S. goods at Tropical Shipping. Just this week, she was recognized for her tenth year of service at Tropical.

### **III. PARTICIPANTS**

#### Event

Secretary Daley  
Governor Lawton Chiles  
Representative Mark Foley  
Representative Peter Deutsch  
Debra Braziel, Coordinator of Export Shipments, Tropical Shipping  
Rick Murrell, President, Tropical Shipping  
Several hundred audience members, mostly workers from the Port, Motorola, Tropical Shipping and Sikorsky.

### **IV. PRESS PLAN**

Open Press

### **V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS**

**You** will arrive curbside and be met by Riviera Beach Mayor Clara Williams, Rick Murrell, President of Tropical Shipping, Steven Schwack, Chairman of the Port of Palm Beach Commission and Debra Braziel, an employee at Tropical Shipping.

**You** will proceed to stage.

Governor Chiles, Secretary Daley, Cong. Foley, Cong. Deutsch, Mayor Williams, Rick Murrell and Steve Schwack will be announced off-stage.

**You** and Debra Braziel will be announced off stage.

Rick Murrell will make brief remarks and introduce Governor Chiles.

Governor Chiles will make brief remarks and introduce Debra Braziel.

Debra Braziel will make brief remarks and introduce **You**.

**You** may make very brief remarks and introduce Secretary Daley.

Upon conclusion of Secretary Daley's remarks, **you** work rope line , take 2 group photos: first with the Commissioners of the Port of Palm beach and the second with the Directors of Tropical, and then depart.

## **VI. REMARKS**

To be provided by speech writers.

COMMERCE SECRETARY WILLIAM DALEY  
(FOR PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON)  
REMARKS ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE  
RIVIERA BEACH, FL  
October 31, 1997

*President Clinton:* Thank you, Debra. As you can hear, my voice has given out on me. So I've asked our outstanding Commerce Secretary, William Daley, to help out. But before I turn you over to him, I want to announce some very good economic news we received this morning. We have just learned that the economy is growing at the strong annual rate of \_\_%. And half of that growth came from exports of products and services made here in America. With strong growth and low inflation, it's clear -- our economic strategy of balancing the budget, investing in education, and, yes, expanding exports through trade, is working. I am determined to keep America strong. And I call on Congress to stand up for American workers and American businesses, and give us the tools to continue increasing exports and creating jobs. Secretary Daley will tell you about this in more detail.

*Secretary Daley:* Thank you, Mr. President. And thank you all for that warm welcome. I thought you might be all cheered out after all the celebrations this week for your Florida Marlins. Congratulations to you. Now I don't want to give too much credit to my boss here, but you realize that the Marlins got their start right about the time that President Clinton and Vice President Gore got their start in the White House. Personally, I don't think that's a coincidence.

And thank you for putting up with this late substitution. On this Halloween, you were expecting a treat and instead you got a trick. I'm sorry about that. But I think we can all sympathize with the President's plight. Mr. President, I feel your pain.

Acknowledgments: Debra Brazier (who will introduce you); Gov. Chiles (for Enterprise Florida's endorsement of fast track, which he will mention in his remarks); Rep. Peter Deutsch; Rep. Mark Foley; Riviera Beach Mayor Clara Williams; Chairman of the Port of Palm Beach Commission Steve Schwack; Tropical Shipping President Rick Murrell; and other local and federal officials in the audience.

And now if you'll bear with me, the President has asked me to read the remarks that he would have given to you today. I know that's an awkward situation, but there's at least one person here today who's excited about it -- the President's speechwriter. This will be the first time ever that the President's prepared remarks will be given in their entirety.

So here we go:

Six years ago, when I announced my candidacy for President, I said that America had a vital mission for the 21st century -- to keep the American Dream alive for every person responsible enough to work for it; to keep America the world's strongest force for peace and freedom and prosperity; and to bring our people together across all the lines that divide us, into one America.

We started with a new economic policy for the new economy, putting in place a bold three-part strategy to shrink the deficit, invest in our people, and lower unfair trade barriers to our goods.

The strategy has succeeded. Strong annual growth and low inflation. More than 13 Million new jobs. The deficit down 90%, even before the balanced budget law saves a single cent. America leading the world in auto production once again. Unemployment below 5%. Wages on the rise for America's workers. An all-time high in home-ownership. The biggest decrease in welfare rolls in history. Dramatic drops in crime year after year.

We have made all this progress. But we have more to do to prepare America for the 21st Century. And Congress faces a decisive choice: whether to continue with a strategy that has helped give America the strongest economy in a generation. One week from today, the House of Representatives will decide whether or not to keep America's exports growing with its vote on fast track. I applaud Speaker Gingrich for scheduling this vote, and for his commitment to work on a bipartisan basis to enact this important legislation this year.

The arithmetic of the new economy is this: We have 4% of the world's population and 20% of its income; 96% of the world's consumers live outside the United States; the developing countries are growing three times as fast as the developed countries. If we want to keep our income, with our population base, we have to sell even more to the other 96%, especially those who are growing most rapidly.

The workers here at Tropical Shipping know that -- and so do workers throughout the great state of Florida. Exports from Florida have increased over the past four years by more than 50%, to more than \$30 Billion -- and that's one reason why the Florida economy has been able to create a remarkable one Million new jobs during that period. Here in the West Palm Beach/ Boca Raton metropolitan area, exports are up almost \$200 Million since 1993.

Make no mistake: this export success has been spurred, in part, by more than 225 tough trade agreements we have negotiated to open new markets to American products. We have made it clear to our partners that if they want access to our open markets, they must open theirs.

Here's just the most recent example. Yesterday, China's President agreed to eliminate his country's tariffs on computer and telecommunications equipment. That's a big tax cut on the goods sold in China by Florida-based companies like the Harris Corporation, with 8,500 employees in Melbourne. More exports by companies like Harris mean more jobs here in Florida and throughout America.

But there are still too many barriers to American products. For example, agricultural exports, like the ones Tropical Shipping transports, face tariff rates around the world more than three times our own. It is simply not fair to the working men and women of America that the quality goods they are producing -- goods that consumers in other countries are very eager to get -- are being blocked from entry into many foreign markets. We owe it to the working men and women here today and around the country to level the playing field for trade. When our workers are given a fair chance, they can -- and do -- outcompete anyone in the world.

Congress must not take away this opportunity to compete. For more than 20 years, Congress has granted every American President "fast track" authority to negotiate trade agreements and submit them to Congress for a simple up or down vote. If Congress grants this authority, we can use it to open trade in areas where American firms are leading, such as computer software, medical equipment, and environmental technology. America can use it to open foreign markets to our agricultural products. America can use it to open the markets of Chile and other Latin American nations to our goods and services.

If we don't seize these opportunities, our competitors surely will. Last year, for the first time ever, Latin American nations had more trade with Europe than with the United States. Now that Canada has negotiated a trade agreement with Chile, every major economy in this hemisphere has negotiated duty-free access to Chilean markets but one -- the United States. That's a bad deal for our businesses and workers. It's "America Last" -- and it's unacceptable.

And to those who worry about the impact of trade on workers or the environment all around the world, I say: We must do better to raise living standards everywhere. This trade authority will give me the leverage to negotiate agreements that do that. The bills now waiting for a vote on the floor of the House and Senate offer the most detailed and concrete authority to negotiate these issues ever included in this kind of legislation. And because we know that expanded world trade does not always benefit all Americans equally, we're working with members of Congress to develop new initiatives to bring more Americans into the winner's circle. With these initiatives, we will increase our investment in communities that suffer from dislocation and in those workers who lose their jobs because of a trade agreement, technology, or any other reason.

Let's be clear: Walking away from this opportunity will not create or save a single job. It will not keep a single child in another country out of a sweat shop. It will not clean up a single toxic site in another nation. Turning away will not expand our economy, enhance our competitiveness, empower our workers. It will give away markets and jobs. It will jeopardize America's preeminent position in the world. Fast track is the key to U.S. leadership in the world economy, and now is not the time to raise questions about U.S. leadership.

America faces a critical choice. We can rise to the challenges of the future, write the trade rules, and continue America's remarkable economic growth -- or we can turn our back on the world and fail to compete for new markets, new contracts, new business, and new jobs. In Congress, many members are facing severe lobbying pressure to vote "no" on fast track. I believe that Congress will stand up to this pressure and stand up for America's long-term prosperity.

Over the past four and a half years, our three-part strategy for security and growth has worked even better than we had hoped. We have reduced the deficit to the lowest level since the early 1970s. We have invested in our people, with historic new commitments to the education and health of all Americans. And we have raised American living standards by opening new markets to quality American goods and services. Thanks to this strategy and the hard work of the American people, we stand poised at the threshold of a new century stronger than ever before. America must not retreat on the strategy that has brought us to this place of promise. America must not return to a mindset rooted in the past. Instead, America must move forward on all three crucial elements of our strategy. And as you are doing here in south Florida, America must boldly seize the opportunities

of the future.

## TRADE RELATED AGRICULTURAL ISSUES: FLORIDA

Please find below a brief description of the trade-related agricultural issues most likely to arise in the course of your visit to Florida on October 31.

### Tomatoes

As part of the efforts to secure passage of NAFTA, former USTR Kantor undertook to "vigorously utilize the early warning import surge mechanism" under the NAFTA in the event imports of tomatoes from Mexico reached a certain threshold. In 1995 imports of fresh tomatoes from Mexico increased 58% (by volume). Note however, that tariffs on fresh tomatoes were reduced by less than half a penny per pound by virtue of the NAFTA and that many economists attribute the import surge of Mexican tomatoes to the peso crisis.

As a result of the import surge, the domestic industry requested the initiation of a safeguard investigation. However, the ITC issued a negative injury determination in such case; consequently, no relief was granted to the domestic industry.

In 1996 the domestic industry filed an antidumping case which resulted in a suspension agreement that is currently in effect. The suspension agreement has set a floor price for the Mexican tomatoes covered by this agreement.

### Citrus

U.S. exports of citrus to Mexico are currently banned for phytosanitary reasons (*i.e.*, the risk Mediterranean fruit flies and citrus canker could infect Mexican produce). The risk to Mexican produce seems real as Florida recently experienced an outbreak of these pests, which have yet to be eradicated.

Florida agricultural officials in cooperation with USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service officials have mounted an aggressive effort to eradicate these pests by late October. In the meantime, U.S. officials are working with their Mexican counterparts to provide the necessary information regarding U.S. efforts to eradicate these pests. Mexican officials have agreed to provide a final decision regarding Florida citrus as soon as the Mediterranean fruit fly is declared eradicated in Florida.

### Food Safety Initiative

Recent Congressional attacks on the NAFTA and fast track authority have been fueled by press reports on the safety of imported foods. In anticipation of growing concerns, and in order to improve the safety of the food supply, a Presidential initiative on food safety was announced. This initiative seeks to improve the inspection and monitoring process for imported foods.

Specifically:

- The initiative calls for increased funding for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to expand its inspection capabilities and legislation to provide FDA with additional authorities to require that all produce presented for sale in U.S. markets meets U.S. food safety requirements. FDA will take action based on a risk assessment and in keeping with scientific principles.
- The initiative involves proposed legislation which must first be adopted before the initiative goes into effect. The Administration is in the process of preparing draft legislation with the participation of the relevant agencies.

Note that this issue has raised concerns among U.S. trading partners who fear that the initiative will seriously hamper exports of their products to the U.S.

### Country of Origin Labeling

Representative Kaptur, along with several members of the House of Representatives, cosponsored Representative Bono's bill that would require country of origin labeling of perishable agricultural commodities imported into the United States and would establish penalties for violations of such labeling requirements. Senator Graham, Craig and Johnson as co-sponsors, have introduced similar legislation in the Senate and have requested that the Administration include country of origin labeling in the President's food safety initiative.

A number of concerns have been raised regarding the proposed legislation including:

- The U.S. agricultural community has expressed concerns when foreign governments have instituted country of origin labeling on imported products because such measures can adversely affect our exports by raising costs and have the potential to be used as unjustified barriers to trade. The same concerns are likely to be raised by our trading partners with respect to the proposed legislation.
- Certain industry sectors are opposed to country of origin labeling because of the costs involved in providing separate bins for produce from different countries, for example.
- The U.S. has strongly opposed labeling regulations proposed by the E.U. on genetically modified organisms, on the basis that such regulations are not based on sound scientific evidence. Supporting country of origin labeling could weaken the arguments we have made to the E.U.

Note that at the request of Senator Daschle, the Administration has agreed to develop guidelines to assist the domestic meat and poultry industry in voluntarily labeling their products as being of U.S. origin. [If pressed, the Administration is likely to support this proposal which poses fewer potential problems than the mandatory labeling scheme described above.]

### Methyl Bromide

In the recent Conference of Parties to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, the participants agreed to an accelerated phase out for methyl bromide – a crop fumigant. The new agreement commits developed countries to begin phasing out the use of methyl bromide in 1999, with a total phase out by 2005. (Developing countries will begin phasing out the use of this substance in 2005 with a total phase out by 2015).

The U.S. environmental community generally supports the agreed upon phase-out while the agricultural community has concerns regarding the potential impact of the phase out on the competitiveness of the crops grown with the use of methyl bromide. The agreed upon phase out was an attempt to balance the concerns of both the environmental and agricultural communities. For example:

- Prior to the agreement, other developed countries were permitted to continue the use of methyl bromide nine years beyond the phase out date mandated under the Clean Air Act (*i.e.*, until 2010). Furthermore, developing countries were not required to phase out use of the product.
- The Administration continues to support exceptions to the phase out for quarantine and preshipment use for any crop important to Florida farmers. There will also be critical use exemptions.

### Sugar Auctioning Proposal

The National Audubon Society has proposed an auctioning arrangement for the tariff-rate quota on imports of raw cane sugar. The intent behind this proposal is to allow the Federal Government to capture some of the quota “rent” and use this to help fund restoration of the Florida Everglades. However, while other environmental groups also support the Audubon Society proposal, U.S. sugar growers and several Caribbean countries have expressed their opposition to Senator Graham.

USTR has reviewed the proposal and, while not opposed in principle to an auctioning scheme, has a number of questions about how this proposal would operate – including how the details of the arrangement would relate to U.S. international obligations under the WTO.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

October 30, 1997

**VISIT TO THE LIGHTHOUSE SCHOOL**

|                    |                                    |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>DATE:</b>       | October 31, 1997                   |
| <b>LOCATION:</b>   | Lighthouse School, Jupiter Florida |
| <b>EVENT TIME:</b> | 11:05 am - 11:45 am                |
| <b>FROM:</b>       | Bruce Reed                         |

**I. PURPOSE:**

To visit the Lighthouse School, which you were unable to visit on your previous trip because of your knee injury.

**II. BACKGROUND:**

The event will take place on the athletic field of the Lighthouse School. There will be an audience of approximately 2,000 students, parents, teachers, and community leaders from the Lighthouse School. The Lighthouse School has approximately 1,500 students in grades Kindergarten through fifth grade. On your original trip, you had planned to speak about school construction because of the significant overcrowding at the school. (Many classes are taught in trailers.) This event will not call attention to the overcrowding issue, but instead highlight the reading parental involvement programs in the school. Also, please note that the school serves few students from low income families and does not receive federal assistance, such as Title I funds.

The Lighthouse Elementary School has approximately 200 parent volunteers who contribute a total of 1,000 volunteer hours per month to assist teachers in the classroom, help prepare documents, and provide assistance in the library.

The school also participates in Florida's Sunshine State Young Readers program, which is a statewide reading motivation program that encourages students to read high quality literature and participate in a statewide vote for their favorite book. Students honored as Sunshine Readers must complete book reports on all 15 books on the Sunshine State reading list. In 1996, over 1,000 Florida public schools participated and over 75,000 students read enough books to qualify for voting in the statewide balloting for their favorite book of the year.

Upon arrival you will be greeted by stage participants. Jessica Haft, a fifth grade student who is also a candidate for Student Council President, will present you with a student's

drawing of a lighthouse. You will then proceed through a student honor guard up to the stage. **You will only be expected to briefly greet the audience. Secretary Daley will make prepared remarks.**

### **III. PARTICIPANTS:**

- Secretary Daley
- Principal Una Hukill
- Student Jessica Haft, Candidate for Student Council President

Also seated on stage:

Representative Peter Deutsch, Representative Mark Foley and Mayor of Jupiter Karen Golonka.

### **IV. PRESS PLAN**

Open Press.

### **V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS**

- Principal Una Hukill will make welcoming remarks and introduce Student Jessica Haft.
- Student Jessica Haft will make remarks and introduce you.
- You will make very brief remarks and introduce Secretary Daley.
- Secretary Daley will make remarks and then you will depart.

### **VI. REMARKS**

To be provided by Speechwriting.

SECRETARY WILLIAM DALEY  
TALKING POINTS FOR  
VISIT TO LIGHTHOUSE ELEMENTARY  
JUPITER, FLORIDA  
October 31, 1997

**Acknowledgments:** Rep. Mark Foley; Rep. Peter Deutch [doytch]; Mayor Karen Golonka (Jupiter) [go-lon-kah]; Principal Una Hukill [OO-nuh HEW-gull ]; Darlene Kostrub [KOSS-trub], Exec. Dir. Palm Beach County Literacy Coalition; Coordinator of Palm Beach America Reads Now; Dr. Eduardo Padron [pah-DRONE], District President Miami-Dade Community College, Steering Committee - College Presidents for America Reads; Jessica Haft, student.

**The President has called on all Americans to work with him to make sure every 8-year old can read, every 12-year old can log on to the Internet, and every 18-year old can go to college.**

**Lighthouse Elementary is a powerful example of how a whole community can pull together to make this vision a reality.** 250 volunteers -- parents, seniors and other community members -- contribute at least 1,000 hours of their time to helping the students and teachers of this school every month.

**The students are doing their part to prepare for the future as well.** Many of you are participating in the Sunshine State Readers program, doing your best to improve your reading skills by reading 15 books a month and writing reports on them.

**The President is committed to helping every single child in America read on his or her own by the end of the third grade.** His America Reads initiative will mobilize a volunteer army of reading tutors to help our children read independently.

**Finally, we must make sure that every child in America masters the basics -- and that means high national standards and voluntary tests in fourth grade reading and eighth grade math to measure them.** As the President says, these tests will lift our children up and help them learn the skills they need to succeed in the 21st Century.

**Mary McLeod Bethune, the great African-American educator -- and a native of Florida -- once said, "the whole world opened up to me when I learned to read."** President Clinton is committed to giving every child that gift -- here at Lighthouse, and all across the country.

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE  
BUSINESS COUNCIL LUNCHEON  
HONORING PRESIDENT BILL CLINTON

Date: Friday, October 31, 1997  
Venue: Home of Dorothy and Sidney Kohl  
Time: 12:20 pm  
From: Fran Katz, DNC National Finance Director

**I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this luncheon is to raise funds for the Democratic National Committee.

**II. BACKGROUND**

Attendees at the luncheon are new and renewing members of the DNC's Democratic Business Council. The guests are business and community leaders in the Palm Beach area. These guests represent a variety of business interests such as healthcare, the produce trade industry, real estate and the legal profession. They contribute generously to the arts and religious organizations.

Sidney and Dorothy Kohl hosted you in their home in 1992 before the New York primary. Sidney Kohl is the brother of Senator Herb Kohl.

**III. PARTICIPANTS**

Please see attached guest list.

**IV. PRESS PLAN**

This event is open to the press for one pool and one local print reporter for formal remarks only.

**V. SEQUENCE**

11:45 pm Guests arrive.

12:20 pm YOU arrive.

YOU are greeted by event chairs, Sidney and Dorothy Kohl and Harriet and Jerome Zimmerman. Please note that Sidney Kohl is Senator Herb Kohl's brother.

YOU greet guests in the foyer for informal mix and mingle. Candid photos will be taken at this time.

YOU proceed to the head table for lunch.

At the conclusion of the main entree, speaking program begins.

**PROGRAM**

Harriet Zimmerman, event co-host makes brief remarks and introduces Sidney Kohl. Sidney Kohl, event host, who makes brief remarks and introduces YOU.

YOU make brief remarks.

YOU depart.

**VI. REMARKS**

Your remarks will be provided by speechwriting.

SECRETARY WILLIAM DALEY  
DNC LUNCHEON  
PALM BEACH, FLORIDA  
October 31, 1997

Acknowledge: Rep. Peter Deutsch; Dorothy and Sidney Kohl [Hosts; Event Co-Chairs]; Harriet and Jerome Zimmerman, [Event Co-Chairs].

President Clinton, I feel your pain.

Six years ago, President Clinton had a vision for an America where we would keep the American Dream alive for all of our people, keep America the world's strongest force for peace, security, and freedom, and keep coming together across the lines that divide us into one America. It is a vision we all share.

And it was a vision he put into effect, with a bold economic plan that was passed without a single Republican vote and in the face of withering political criticism. Since then, we have come a long way toward realizing that vision. Our economy is growing steady and strong -- at over [3%], with 13.2 million new jobs in 4 ½ years, unemployment under 5%, and low inflation. The deficit has been cut by over 90% even before the new balanced budget law takes effect. Crime is down all over America for five years in a row. And we've seen the biggest drop in the welfare rolls in history. On issue after issue, problems that once seemed impossible to solve are now being solved -- by the common sense policies of this Democratic President.

Now, we have reached a new milestone -- for this country and for our party. The balanced budget law that the President signed into effect is not just the first balanced budget in a generation. It is also the most important investment in education in a generation -- the biggest investment in higher education since the GI Bill a half century ago. With college tax cuts, including the Hope Scholarship the President fought so hard for, it will make it possible for every American to attend the first two years of college. It includes the biggest investment in children's health since the Medicaid program was passed in 1965, with \$24 billion to cover up to 5 million uninsured children. And it secures Medicare for a decade.

This is extraordinary progress in a short span of time. This administration, led by this President, has given this country a government that reflects our values. Bit by bit, our nation's confidence has returned. We know that we can meet our challenges, and do it together.

Now we have more to do to prepare the American people for the challenges and opportunities of the 21st Century. You know and I know how hard President Clinton is fighting for education standards in our schools, and for the America Reads program to teach every child to read independently. You know and I know how hard President Clinton has fought to protect our children from the dangers of tobacco, and how important it is that we pass sweeping legislation that stops the marketing campaigns aimed at our children. You know and I know that -- as grateful as we are for your support -- we must break the filibuster that has bottled up campaign finance reform for years. You know and I know how important it is to keep our economy

growing by passing fast track legislation to give this President the same authority to make trade agreements given by Congress to every President since Gerald Ford. You know, and I know, there is more, much more, to do.

President Clinton is determined to keep fighting for those things that will keep America strong and growing into the next century. He is determined to fight for our values and to protect our families. And he will be able to lead toward these goals if he has a Democratic House. This election will be won or lost in narrow races on local issues. And those issues -- the environment, jobs, education -- those issues are Democratic issues. Thank you for your support.

DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSIONAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE (DCCC)  
SPEAKERS' TRUST EVENT  
HONORING PRESIDENT BILL CLINTON

DATE: October, 31, 1997  
VENUE: Home of John & Peggy Henry  
TIME: 8:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

**I. PURPOSE**

The Speakers' Trust Event will raise funds for the DCCC. The funds will be used to support Democratic candidates in the 1998 elections.

**II. BACKGROUND**

The Speakers' Trust program is the DCCC's major donor program. The donors have contributed \$10,000 per couple to attend, with co-chairs contributing a minimum of \$20,000 per couple. The hosts of the event have been very generous to the Committee through their contributions and the use of their home for this event.

**III. PARTICIPANTS**

Please see the accompanying guest list.

**IV. PRESS PLAN**

The event is open to pool press.

**V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS**

8:30 p.m.

- YOU arrive
- YOU are greeted by John & Peggy Henry, and their one year old daughter Sarah.
- YOU proceed to a photo-receiving line with approximately 25 couples.
- YOU will proceed to a brief photo-receiving line with the Event Co-chairs.
- YOU will proceed to the head table for dinner.
- **PROGRAM**
  - Congressman Frost makes brief remarks and introduces Cong. Rangell.
  - Cong. Rangell makes brief remarks and introduces Mr. John Henry.
  - Mr. Henry makes brief remarks and introduces Cong. Gephardt.
  - Cong. Gephardt makes brief remarks and introduces **YOU**.
- YOU make brief remarks.
- YOU depart.

**VI. REMARKS**

Your remarks will be provided by speechwriting.

SECRETARY WILLIAM DALEY  
DCCC DINNER  
PALM BEACH, FLORIDA  
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October 31, 1997

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT**

FROM: Craig Smith and Nick Baldick

SUBJECT: Florida Political Briefing

**PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION RESULTS**

**1992**

|                 |           |     |
|-----------------|-----------|-----|
| Bush/Quayle     | 2,171,781 | 41% |
| Clinton/Gore    | 2,071,651 | 39% |
| Perot/Stockdale | 1,052,481 | 20% |

**1996**

|              |           |     |
|--------------|-----------|-----|
| Clinton/Gore | 2,545,968 | 48% |
| Dole/Kemp    | 2,243,324 | 42% |
| Perot/Choate | 483,776   | 9%  |

**MOST RECENT PRINCIPAL TRAVEL**

**YOU** were in Miami on March 11 to address a fundraising dinner for Senator Bob Graham. It was on this trip that **YOU** injured your knee at Greg Norman's house.

**The Vice President** was in Orlando on October 15 for a Welfare-to-Work event. He also attended a luncheon for the New Yorker's NEXT conference.

**The Vice President** was in Tampa for the state Democratic Convention on October 3-4 where he delivered the keynote address. In addition he met with regional Democratic activists in four meetings and attended a tobacco event at Roland Park Middle School.

**The Vice President** was in the Metro-Dade area on June 17 to attend an Everglades event and to speak at a DNC luncheon.

**The First Lady** was in Miami on September 30 to attend a Miami Herald dinner and a WLF fundraiser.

**The First Lady** was in Tallahassee on April 7 for an Education Week event at a local school.

**1998 GUBERNATORIAL RACE**

Governor Chiles (D) is term-limited. Lt. Governor Buddy MacKay (D) is the frontrunner for the Democratic nomination, but state Senator Rick Dantzler (D) and state Representative Keith Arnold have also announced they are running. MacKay has been prominent in Florida's political scene for years, having run unsuccessfully against Connie Mack (R) for the U.S. Senate in 1988. It should be noted that MacKay lost the race by less than a point while being on the Democratic ticket with Governor Dukakis (D), who lost the state by 24 points. Some Democrats fear that MacKay is not a strong enough candidate. In fact, the *Miami Herald* went so far as to dub MacKay the "'Bob Dole' of Florida. . . He's waited his turn; he's at the head of the line; he's

respected, perhaps beloved in his party--but he is destined to finish No. 2 in statewide races."

However, MacKay has raised over \$1.4 million, in increments of \$500 or less, and **YOU** will be attending a fundraiser for MacKay on December 11. At the State Democratic Convention in early October, MacKay captured 82% of the vote in the straw poll, including a strong showing from the constituents of Broward County, Attorney General Bob Butterworth's (D) home turf. In a video shown during the convention, Governor Chiles formally endorsed MacKay. The convention solidified MacKay's position as the frontrunner for the party's nomination. MacKay also announced in October that he would not raise taxes if elected, an apparent attempt to avoid the liberal label which cost him his 1988 Senate bid.

A self proclaimed conservative Democrat who considered switching parties in '89, Dantzler is trying to stake out the "middle ground" between Jeb Bush's "conservatism" and MacKay's "liberalism." Because he has never been a big political player in Florida and has limited name recognition, Dantzler faces an uphill fight in the primary. While even Dantzler concedes his challenge of MacKay is akin to "David against Goliath," he will have the financial support of the agricultural interests, including the sugar growers who oppose MacKay's stance on the Everglades cleanup. Dantzler has currently raised over \$500,000 and received 10% of the vote at the straw poll during the State Democratic Convention in October.

State Representative Keith Arnold is also trying to paint himself as a more moderate Democrat. In addition to being the only anti-choice candidate, Arnold is also running as the education candidate, advocating that dollars be diverted from transportation and social service programs to public school funding. In addition to this, Arnold is also a strong advocate for the environment. He has been quoted as saying that "it's time for the torch to be passed to a younger generation." He only captured 8% of the vote in the straw poll.

Speculation had surrounded the plans of Attorney General Bob Butterworth (D) and whether he would run for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination against MacKay. With an \$11.3 billion tobacco settlement giving him higher name recognition, most political observers believed Butterworth would be a strong candidate if he entered the race. However, on October 22, Butterworth announced that he would not run for the Democratic nomination against MacKay and that he would run for an unprecedented fourth term as Attorney General. Saying he believed that MacKay would follow in the steps of great former Florida governors Rubin Askew, Bob Graham, and Lawton Chiles, Butterworth all but formally endorsed MacKay's candidacy.

With Butterworth's refusal to seek his party's nomination, MacKay might still face a challenger in Insurance Commissioner Bill Nelson who has said he "is again eyeing" the gubernatorial race. He had said he would only run if Butterworth did not. Tensions are high between Nelson and MacKay because it was MacKay who recruited Chiles to run against Nelson in the 1990 Democratic gubernatorial primary. Most political observers believe that Nelson will eventually backdown and run for reelection.

Businessman Jeb Bush (R) is currently the only Republican candidate. There had been speculation that state Senate President Toni Jennings (R) would join the race, but it now appears that she will remain in the state Senate through November of 2000. She has garnered enough votes to retain her position as Senate President for a second term, which is unprecedented in Florida's Senate history. Political observers have speculated that Jennings' Republican colleagues will reelect her in order to keep her in the senate so that she will therefore stay out of the gubernatorial race. A contested primary would have benefited the Democratic candidate because Bush would have been forced to spend funds early on in the race, but with Jennings out of the race, Bush will be able to save his funds for the general election.

Bush, with his fundraising machine and high name recognition is considered the favorite, but he has a reputation for making political blunders. Bush has never held elected office and has demonstrated on numerous occasions his ability to slip up such as when he said underage smoking was not a major issue confronting society. During the campaign, Bush's prior business practices will also most likely come into question.

Recent polls suggest that the general election matchup between MacKay and Bush will be very close. A *Florida Voter* poll of 601 people conducted September 9-21, confirms how close the race is likely to be.

#### General Election Matchup

|        | <u>9/97</u> | <u>7/97</u> | <u>5/97</u> | <u>3/97</u> | <u>1/97</u> | <u>7/96</u> | <u>9/95</u> |
|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Bush   | 46%         | 47%         | 47%         | 45%         | 40%         | 45%         | 45%         |
| MacKay | 40%         | 41%         | 41%         | 43%         | 43%         | 43%         | 45%         |

#### **1998 SENATE RACE**

Senator Bob Graham (D) is seeking election to a third term in 1998. Last year it was widely speculated that Graham would run for governor in 1998, an office he held from 1979 to 1987. However, in November 1996, he announced his plans to run for a third term in the Senate. **YOU** attended a fundraiser for Graham and the DSCC in Miami on March 11th and as of June, Graham had over \$2.2 million on hand. Graham is very popular, and after eight years as governor and twelve years in the Senate, is extremely well known. A Mason-Dixon/PMR poll of 810 likely voters conducted 3/21-24 for the *Tampa Tribune* and *Orlando Sentinel* showed Graham with a 57% favorability rating and 96% name recognition.

The likely Republican nominee is State Senator Charlie Crist (R). Crist has been very active in the state Senate and has gotten a great deal of media attention. His sponsorship of the bill that brought chain gangs back to Florida earned him the name "Chain-gang Charlie." However, Crist has not been able to raise a large amount of money for this campaign, and the Mason Dixon poll showed him with only 29% name recognition. The financial cost of raising his name recognition in Florida will be very high.

Considering Senator Graham's popularity and fundraising advantages, and Crist's low name recognition, it is likely that Graham will win reelection in 1998. This early assessment is confirmed by the Mason-Dixon poll and the *Florida Voter* polls taken in July and September.

General Election Matchup

|        | <u>Florida Voter</u> | <u>Florida Voter</u> | <u>Mason Dixon</u> |
|--------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
|        | (9/97)               | (7/97)               | (3/97)             |
| Graham | 61%                  | 58%                  | 57%                |
| Crist  | 24%                  | 17%                  | 26%                |

**HOT ISSUES**

**Tobacco**

**Legislative Issues**

The Governor's 1997-98 budget established the Tobacco, Education and Child Health (TEACH) Project to steer kids away from cigarettes and other drugs. Governor Chiles proposed a 10 cent per pack increase in Florida's tax on cigarettes to fund the project. The increase would have generated more than \$120.9 million in its first year, bringing Florida's tax rate to 44 cents per pack. However, the Governor's initiative was killed in the Legislature.

The even bigger legislative issue was the Republican's effort to repeal the 1994 anti-tobacco law that allowed the state to sue cigarette makers for the public health costs associated with smoking. In 1995, the Legislature passed a resolution to repeal the 1994 law, but it was vetoed by Chiles. Chiles was then able to withstand a strong challenge to override his veto in '96. On the subject of the Republican efforts to repeal his 1994 anti-tobacco legislation, the Governor said, "I intend to fight it with my last breath." Once again, there were not enough votes to repeal the bill in the '97 session.

**Tobacco Lawsuit**

Florida is one of the many states which sued tobacco companies in an effort to recoup monies paid out by the state to Medicaid providers for the costs associated with treating tobacco-related diseases. Governor Chiles led this fight, with help from Attorney General Bob Butterworth, and they secured an \$11.3 billion settlement.

There is concern that the federal government will try to recover its 55% share of the money. Chiles has argued that the money Florida recovered was Florida's 45% share of Medicare and Medicaid pay outs. At the time this brief was being written, the issue has yet to be resolved. (see separate brief on this issue)

The trial lawyers who helped secure the settlement are angered over the issue of how much they will be paid and by whom. Originally, the lawyers signed on for 25% of any recovery. The question now is whether or not that includes the whole \$11 billion or the first year's payment of \$1 billion, meaning a difference of \$2.5 billion dollars for the attorneys. Chiles, in an address to the Palm Beach County Bar Association said, "The idea that \$250 million is not an adequate

attorney's fee is a little hard for this Cracker to understand." At the core of the debate is whether or not the tobacco companies have to pay the legal fees of the state. The settlement with the tobacco companies established a board of arbitrators to determine the attorney's fees. There is also a dispute over whether or not the state's attorneys secured the settlement or whether it was the trial lawyers hired by the state. This debate is likely to continue on for quite a while, especially considering how much money is involved.

### **Divesting of Tobacco Stock**

In light of the state's tobacco lawsuit, Florida decided to dump its \$840 million worth of tobacco stock. The stock had been owned under the Florida Retirement System Trust Fund which covers nearly all of the state's retired and current teachers, police officers, firefighters, and city, county, and state employees. State Comptroller Bob Milligan (R), one of the three members of the State Board of Administration which was deciding the issue, lobbied hard against selling the stock, citing its strong performance and economic benefit to the state. However, Milligan was overruled when State Insurance Commissioner Bill Nelson (D), another member, changed sides and voted with Governor Chiles who has been pushing to divest the stock all along.

### **Education Reform**

#### **School Overcrowding**

Florida's public schools are anticipating a 15% growth in enrollment over the next decade, necessitating 6,000 new schools. At the same time Florida is facing a \$4.9 billion deficit in its school construction budget, and 330,000 students are already learning in portable classrooms. The Public Education Capital Outlay (PECO) fund is the main source of school construction funds, and is supported by a tax on gas and electric utilities. The Governor's Commission on Education, which Chiles convened earlier this year, recommended expanding the PECO tax to apply to cable television, water, sewer, and waste collection in order to deal with the shortage. However, Republicans blocked the proposed tax in the Legislature, and no other action was taken to address overcrowding during the legislative session.

Because of the dire situation, Gov. Chiles convened the Governor's Education Reform Commission consisting of business, community, and education leaders in addition to the House Speaker and Senate President, to search for solutions to the overcrowding situation. The commission is due to issue their report sometime in the near future.

On September 24, Chiles called for a special legislative session to deal with this problem starting on November 3. Chiles said in his announcement that, "Florida can't treat its schoolchildren like 'second-rate citizens.'" The goal of the session would be to find funding to "build new schools, repair shabby and unsafe facilities and give relief to students jammed into packed classrooms and more than 17,000 portables around Florida." Lawmakers will consider several ways of funding the deficit including, but not limited to, allowing school boards to increase sales and property taxes and expand utility taxes as the Governor's Commission on Education had recommended.

## **Standards**

On April 2, 1997, Governor Chiles signed the Education Standards Bill, which requires a 2.0 average to graduate from high school. Last year it was tied to a school prayer bill which was vetoed. The Legislature also raised high school requirements by mandating high school students take algebra and earn at least a "C" average in order to compete in school sponsored sports or participate in the band.

## **Teacher Tenure**

There was significant disagreement between the parties on the issue of reviewing teacher performance. While Democrats fought for protection of teachers' rights, Republicans strove to roll-back arbitrary renewal of teacher contracts. The compromise, which mandated that only first year teachers could be fired within their first ninety days if just cause existed, was seen as a Democratic victory.

## **Lottery Funds**

When the lottery was originally created, a majority of the revenue was intended to go to expanding the Education budget. At that time, 40% of the state budget went to Education, but this number has since dropped to 35%. This year, the Legislature took two important steps to ensure that Lottery revenues go towards enhancing educational programs this session. The first and most important step was a bill requiring that a portion of the Lottery funds be sent directly to each school to be spent at the discretion of the local School Advisory Committee, comprised of parents, teachers, and administrators.

The second reform was the creation of a Lottery Scholarship fund which is expected to reach \$75 million in the next four years. The new scholarships will be available to approximately 10,000 high school graduates this year, about 25% of the graduating class. The scholarship will be based on merit, requiring recipients to graduate with a "B" grade point average or better and score at least 970 on the Scholastic Aptitude Test. Observers are worried about the scholarship fund because of the dramatic growth Florida's classrooms are expected to experience in the coming years. While more and more students are expected to qualify for the scholarship each year, tuition at Florida Schools is going up and lottery proceeds are expected to stay constant.

## **Election Reform**

Bills were passed and signed in the last session to deal with a laundry list of election regulations. These bills mandated: a disclaimer on telephone solicitations, campaign finance reports, an increase in the fines for late filing of campaign finance reports, an increase in the penalties for violating contribution caps, a broadening of the disclaimer requirements, a revision of the \$50,000 cap on political party contributions, and a limit on the amount of surplus funds that a candidate can give to his or her political party.

A bill was also passed to bring under the domain of state election law, any expenditure made through, controlled by, coordinated with, or in consultation with the national, state, or county committee of a political party. Clearly these bills were designed in response to the 1996 election

in which the RSCC spent \$726,000 on an "independent expenditure" to benefit Republican state House and Senate candidates.

### **Public Election Financing**

Public election financing has been under fire, especially by Republicans, since 1994, when Governor Chiles used state matching funds to keep up with private contributions raised by Jeb Bush. The public financing law calls for various funds to be deposited into the Election Campaign Financing Trust Fund from which qualifying candidates are to be paid. Public financing is crucial to Lt. Governor Buddy MacKay's (D) chances in the 1998 gubernatorial election against Jeb Bush (R) and his fundraising machine.

In 1994, voters approved a sunset date for every trust fund unless the trust was reenacted by a super majority. The campaign financing trust fund was not reenacted. Secretary of State Sandy Mortham (R) brought a suit claiming that because the trust fund no longer existed, public financing therefore no longer existed. Chiles and Comptroller Bob Milligan (R) have argued that because the law enacting public financing remained on the books, public financing was still in effect regardless of any fiscal concerns. Chiles and Milligan noted a 1994 court decision which deemed that payments be made to qualifying candidates from the general revenue when the public financing trust had insufficient funds. On April 1, the Leon County Circuit Court ruled that Mortham had to keep certifying candidates and collecting money even though the Legislature had allowed the trust fund to "sunset." Secretary Mortham is appealing this decision to the Florida Supreme Court.

Republicans tried to circumvent the Leon County Circuit Court ruling by passing a bill which forbids appropriations from trust funds that have "sunseted." In mid-October the Florida Department of State, headed by Secretary of State Sandra Mortham (R), ruled that the law meant there would be no public financing in 1998 because the trust fund for public financing had "sunseted." Governor Chiles has said he will appeal this ruling, and also said that if he had thought the legislation would end public financing, that he would have then vetoed the bill. A ruling in the previous case between Chiles, Milligan and Mortham "could ultimately override Tuesday's ruling," because it addresses a separate issue from the law which was passed. At issue in this debate is whether or not a trust fund must exist in order for public financing to exist, and if not, where the money for public financing will come from.

At the same time the Republicans have tried to repeal the actual public financing law, but the initiative died in the Senate under threat of veto.

### **Welfare Benefits**

Under last year's federal welfare reform bill, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) for all aliens was due to end in August 1996. SSI, which pays up to \$470 a month, is intended to assist individuals in maintaining a minimum level of subsistence. Although Congress extended the deadline for all aliens already receiving assistance, the possibility of losing SSI still looms for many immigrants.

Debate has waged over whether the state of Florida or the federal government should be responsible for the thousands of residents who could have their benefits striped. On Tuesday June 10, Metro-Dade Mayor Alex Penelas joined mayors from several cities with large immigrant populations at a conference on Ellis Island in New York. Penelas and the mayors issued a proclamation demanding that Congress speed-up the pace of naturalization and restore legal benefits. Governor Chiles also has voiced his strong opposition to Florida bearing the economic burden for the immigrants. The State Legislature allocated \$25 million in the 1997 budget for temporary aide to curb the impending multi-million dollar crisis. However, this allowance is far shy of the estimated \$56 million that the state Division of Children and Family Services says is the minimum amount needed to stave off disaster for thousands of people--most of them elderly Cuban immigrants--who will soon lose their benefits.

### **Florida Constitutional Review**

The Florida state Constitution provides that every 20 years a panel be created to consider proposals to change the Constitution. This year the panel has been convened and they are currently looking at over 400 proposals for change. They will make their decisions in the following months and Florida voters will vote on the referendums in 1998.

### **POLITICAL DATA**

|                  |                                                               |
|------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Governor:        | Lawton Chiles (D) 50.8% in 1994                               |
| Senate:          | Bob Graham (D) 65.4% in 1992<br>Connie Mack (R) 70.5% in 1994 |
| U.S. House:      | 8D/15R                                                        |
| State House:     | 59D/61R                                                       |
| State Senate:    | 17D/23R                                                       |
| Electoral Votes: | 25                                                            |

### **1996 STATE ELECTION RESULTS**

Florida was a major victory for **YOU** in 1996. It was the first time Florida voted for a Democratic presidential candidate since 1976. Governor Lawton Chiles (D) and Lt. Governor Buddy MacKay (D) were instrumental in the victory by pushing the Clinton/Gore campaign to target Florida, assisting with fundraising efforts, and traveling a combined 40 days for the campaign.

All of the incumbent Democratic congressional candidates won reelection, and Democrats were able to retain the three open Democratic seats. In what was expected to be the closest race, Jim Davis (D) defeated Mark Sharpe (R) 58% to 42% to hold Sam Gibbon's (D) seat in Tampa.

The State Senate Democrats lost only one seat in 1996, but Democrats lost the State House for the first time since Reconstruction. The Democrats in the State House and State Senate raised and spent record amounts of money, but were limited by Florida election law to \$50,000 of assistance by the State Party per candidate. Although such laws also restricted the State Republican Party, the Republican Senatorial Campaign Committee (RSCC) spent \$726,000 on

an "independent expenditure" campaign to assist Republican legislative candidates. Democrats are alleging that the State Republican Party circumvented the rules by funneling money to the RSCC for these races. The *Miami Herald* reported that the Florida Republican State Party sent \$875,000 to the Republican National State Election Committee (RNSEC) in October of 1996, for "party building," and that within days the RNSEC sent \$875,000 to the RSCC. Republicans deny that this money was "earmarked" to bypass Florida law. The *Miami Herald* pointed out that this "independent expenditure" probably decided three key state House races which gave Republicans control of the State House. Chiles has asked the state's Attorney General office to investigate these allegations of finance wrongdoing. The Elections Commission, which is part of the Department of State, headed by Republican Sandy Mortham, is currently looking into the allegations. The issue has been mute since June.

### **CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION**

The members of the delegation are:

|                                 |                                 |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Senator Bob Graham (D)          | Sen. Connie Mack (R)            |
| Rep. Joe Scarborough (R-01)     | Rep. Allen Boyd (D-02)          |
| Rep. Corrine Brown (D-03)       | Rep. Tillie Fowler (R-04)       |
| Rep. Karen Thurman (D-05)       | Rep. Clifford Stearns (R-06)    |
| Rep. John Mica (R-07)           | Rep. Bill McCollum (R-08)       |
| Rep. Michael Bilirakis (R-09)   | Rep. Bill Young (R-10)          |
| Rep. Jim Davis (D-11)           | Rep. Charles Canady (R-12)      |
| Rep. Dan Miller (R-13)          | Rep. Porter Goss (R-14)         |
| Rep. Dave Weldon (R-15)         | Rep. Mark Foley (R-16)          |
| Rep. Carrie Meek (D-17)         | Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-18) |
| Rep. Robert Wexler (D-19)       | Rep. Peter Deutsch (D-20)       |
| Rep. Lincoln Diaz-Balart (R-21) | Rep. E. Clay Shaw (R-22)        |
| Rep. Alcee Hastings (D-23)      |                                 |

### **STATE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS AND LEGISLATIVE LEADERS**

|                           |                            |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Governor:                 | Lawton Chiles (D)          |
| Lt. Governor:             | Kenneth "Buddy" MacKay (D) |
| Attorney General:         | Bob Butterworth (D)        |
| Secretary of State:       | Sandy Mortham (R)          |
| Treasurer:                | Bill Nelson (D)            |
| Education Commissioner:   | Bob Brogan (R)             |
| Agriculture Commissioner: | Bob Crawford (D)           |
| Speaker of the House:     | Dan Webster (R)            |
| House Democratic Leader:  | Buzz Ritchie (D)           |
| Senate President:         | Toni Jennings (R)          |
| Senate Democratic Leader: | Ken Jenne (D)              |

### **Florida Facts**

- The current unemployment rate in Florida is 5.7%, compared to 7.3% in 1992.
- The most recent estimate of Florida's population is 14 million, making Florida the 4th most populous state in the nation.
- 74.6% of Florida residents are White, 12.5% are African American, and 11.4% are Hispanic.
- 18.6% of Florida residents are 65 or older.
- 54% of Florida residents are married couples. 39% are married couples with children.
- Median household income is estimated at \$29,745.
- 74% of Florida residents have a high school degree while 18.3% have a bachelor's degree or more.
- Turnout in the 1996 presidential election was 48% of the Voting Age Population (VAP) compared to 52% of the VAP in 1992. Turnout in the 1994 election was 42%.

### **Duval County**

Duval County includes the City of Jacksonville and has an estimated 1998 population of 743,057. The county is 49% male and 51% female. 73% of the residents are White and 11% are over age 65. The unemployment rate in Duval County is currently at 3.7%. The median household income in Duval county is \$31,892. 51% of households are married couples and 24% are married with children. Dole won Duval county 52.3% to 47.7% in 1996.

### **Nassau County (Amelia Island)**

The estimated 1998 population of Nassau County is 53,461. The county is 49% male and 51% female. 90.4% of the county's residents are White and 9% are African American. 10.7% are over age 65. 24.4% of the residents over age 25 have a high school degree. Dole won Nassau County 63.4% to 37.5% in 1996.

### **Palm Beach County**

The current population of Palm Beach County is 981,793. The county is 48% male and 52% female. 86.2% of the residents are White and 12.4% are African American. 23.8% of the county's residents are over age 65. 22% of the residents over age 25 have a high school degree. Clinton/Gore won Palm Beach County 63.4% to 36.5% in 1996.

# FLORIDA IS MOVING FORWARD WITH MORE JOBS AND TRADE

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## *Florida Is Moving In The Right Direction*

- **Unemployment Is Down.** The unemployment rate in Florida has declined from 7.3% in January 1993 to 4.6% in August 1997.
- **Nearly 1 Million New Jobs In Florida.** 949,600 new jobs since 1993 -- employment growth over 3 times faster than the four years before President Clinton took office.
- **Exports From Florida Are Up 51%.** In the first 6 months of 1997, Florida's goods exports were running at a rate of \$25 billion -- up 51% since 1992 -- making it the country's eighth largest exporting state.
- **296,000 Jobs In Florida Are Supported By Trade.** Jobs supported by goods exports increased 21% -- up 52,200 since 1992 to 296,000 jobs in 1997\*-- paying an average of 15% more than non-trade related jobs.
- **Industrial Machinery And Computer Exports Are Up 102%.** Industrial machinery and computer exports have increased 102% since 1993 from over \$3 billion to over \$6 billion in 1997\*-- creating more higher paying jobs for more Floridians.
- **9,200 New Manufacturing Jobs In Florida.** 9,200 new manufacturing jobs -- after falling by 55,000 during the four years before President Clinton took office.

\* All figures for 1997 are annualized based on exports for the first 6 months.

## *America Is Moving In the Right Direction; Now Is Not The Time To Turn Back*

*President Clinton's three part economic strategy of cutting the deficit, investing in our people through education and training and opening more markets to U.S. goods is working. Now is the time to continue that progress by renewing fast track authority to help create more jobs that pay more.*

- **13.2 Million New Jobs.** The economy has created 13.2 million new jobs under President Clinton. Private sector job growth rate nearly 8 times greater than during previous Administration.
- **Unemployment Rate Down To 24-Year Low.** In 1992, the unemployment rate was 7.5%. Today it is under 5% -- as low as it's been at any time in the last 24 years.
- **1.7 Million New Export-Related Jobs -- Paying On Average 15% Higher Wages.** Since President Clinton took office, the number of export-related jobs has increased by 1.7 million.
- **Family Income Up \$2,200.** After stagnating for 20 years, family incomes are rising again. Since 1993, the income of the typical American family increased by \$2,169, after adjusting for inflation.
- **Exports Are Up By Nearly 50%.** Since the beginning of 1993, exports from the U.S. have grown by nearly 50% -- up \$318 billion -- after adjusting for inflation. Exports have accounted for 38% of the overall growth in the economy since 1993.
- **Renewed Growth In Key Industries.** After a decade of enormous job losses in construction, manufacturing, and autos, these industries have made a remarkable recovery -- more than one million new jobs combined under President Clinton.
- **Smallest Deficit In Two Decades.** Under President Clinton, the deficit has been cut by more than 90% -- from a record \$290 billion in 1992 to \$23 billion this year.



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

October 30, 1997

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: KATHLEEN A. McGINTY *WPM for KAM*  
RE: FLORIDA ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

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**Homestead Air Reserve Base**

In the next two to three weeks the Air Force and the Federal Aviation Administration will decide whether a supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is warranted in the transfer of the Homestead Air Reserve Base to Miami-Dade County, FL. This process comes after a review by the relevant federal agencies that showed the possibility of serious problems with the initial environmental analysis. If there are problems, a supplemental EIS may be required.

Today I met with Mayor Alex Penelas, Senator Bob Graham, and Congresswoman Carrie Meek to discuss the status of the environmental review of the Homestead Air Force Base transfer. Mayor Penelas discussed his commitment to environmental issues in South Florida, while strongly maintaining the position that a supplemental EIS will not be necessary.

I reiterated the Administration's concerns that the process has taken too long and that the Administration remains committed to economic development of South Dade. I assured the Mayor and the Senator that the Air Force and FAA will meet with them before the decision on a supplemental is made.

If asked, you should say that you understand that the Air Force and FAA are about to make a decision, that it is important to stand by the process, and that you understand that CEQ is committed to work with all of the parties involved to continue work on this issue regardless of the decision.

**Everglades**

The Interior Appropriations bill passed by Congress this week contains the Administration's full \$100 million request for Everglades restoration. The Administration has NOT ANNOUNCED whether you will sign the bill or veto it because of anti-environmental riders. If asked, you should say that a decision will be made on a veto after we receive the bill from Congress.

In addition to the Interior Appropriations bill restoration funds, the Audubon Society and the Everglades Coalition have requested that the Administration auction sugar import quotas to raise

funds to restore the Everglades. This is an interesting proposal that the Administration has considered in the past and will do so again this fall.

Everglades National Park will celebrate its 50th anniversary on December 6. You have been invited to participate, but because of scheduling conflicts you will be unable to attend. The Vice President will be attending in your absence. The Department of Interior is completing work on several major land acquisitions, which the Vice President may be able to announce at the event.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

October 30, 1997

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: THURGOOD MARSHALL, JR. *TM*  
JON P. JENNINGS *JPJ*

SUBJECT: HOT ISSUES -- BOCA RATON, PALM BEACH AND AMELIA ISLAND,  
FLORIDA

**School Crowding/School Construction:** Governor Chiles has called a special session of the legislature for November 3-7 to address the acute shortage of classroom space in many Florida localities. Schools in Palm Beach and many other Florida districts are severely overcrowded and are using a large number of portable classrooms to accommodate their booming student populations. (DOEd)

**Endangered Species Act:** On October 31, a Florida citrus grower will be sentenced for violations of the Endangered Species Act. William Worley of Lake Placid, pled guilty August 21 to a charge of taking Florida scrub jays in violation of the Endangered Species Act. (DOI)

**Welfare Reform/Food Stamp Concerns:** Florida has received USDA approval to buy food stamps for 16,000 elderly legal aliens who recently became ineligible for the Food Stamp Program. The Department approved Florida's request to buy food stamps for legal aliens aged 65 and older on September 25 and the program began September 30. The state has one of the highest U.S. immigrant populations and is concerned with providing for legal aliens. (USDA)

**Congressman Hastings Complaint:** Congressman Hastings has recently forwarded a complaint to DOEd's Office for Civil Rights alleging discrimination in Palm Beach County's busing policy. The school district has a policy of not picking up students who live within 2 miles of their schools; the complaint alleges that the school district makes exceptions to its policy for children who live in wealthy gated communities but not for children who live in poor African American neighborhoods. (DOEd) ...

**Widening of U.S. 1:** The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) proposes to widen the existing two lane road to a four lane road between Florida City and Key Largo. FDOT says the project is needed to provide an improved hurricane evacuation route, provide a safer, more efficient roadway and improve navigation. The project will have significant environmental impacts on the fragile South Florida ecosystem, resulting in the loss of approximately 140 acres of wetlands and threatening potentially 15 federal and 7 state-listed endangered species which reside in the area. (EPA)

**Homestead Air Base Transfer:** The Administration (through CEQ) is currently reviewing the Air Force 1993 EIS to determine if it is adequate to support the transfer of the base to Dade County. Dade County and both Senators Graham and Mack support the expeditious transfer of the base and the expeditious authority for the County to begin development of the base. The environmental community opposes the transfer without further analysis and has indicated its intent to litigate if no SEIS is forthcoming. (DOI)

**50th Anniversary of Everglades National Park:** On December 6, Everglades National Park will celebrate its 50th anniversary. (DOI)

## PRESIDENT CLINTON'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

### *Florida*

#### **EXPANDING ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL:**

- **Unemployment Down to 4.9%:** The unemployment rate in Florida has declined from 7.3% to 4.9% since 1993.
- **922,800 New Jobs:** 922,800 new jobs have been created in Florida since 1993 -- an average of 212,954 jobs per year, compared to an average of just 70,725 jobs per year in the previous administration.
- **214,000 Have Received a Raise:** Approximately 214,000 Florida workers benefited from an increase in the minimum wage -- from \$4.25 to \$4.75 -- on October 1, 1996. They, along with about 342,000 more, will receive an additional raise -- from \$4.75 to \$5.15 -- on September 1, 1997.
- **Nearly Four Million Protected By Family & Medical Leave:** Approximately 3.8 million Floridians are now covered by the Family & Medical Leave Law, which allows workers to take up to 12 weeks unpaid leave to care for a new baby or ailing relative [1995 data].
- **Business Failures Down 16.2%:** Business failures have dropped 16.2% per year since 1993, after increasing 27.8% per year during the previous 12 years.
- **Home Building Up 4.9% Per Year:** Home building has increased 4.9% per year since 1993.

#### **FIGHTING CRIME AND VIOLENCE:**

- **Crime Falls Across Florida:** Since 1992, serious crime has fallen 15% in Jacksonville, 19% in Miami, 27% in Tallahassee, and 7% in Tampa [1996 data].
- **3,470 More Police:** The President's 1994 Crime Bill has funded 3,470 new police officers to date in communities across Florida [through 6/97].
- **\$6.1 Million to Combat Domestic Violence:** Through the Violence Against Women Act, Florida will be able to use approximately \$6.1 million in federal funds this year [FY97] to establish more women's shelters and bolster law enforcement, prosecution, and victims' services. Florida received \$5.3 million under VAWA in FY96.
- **\$2.4 Million in Grants for Battered Women and Children:** In 1998, Florida will receive an estimated \$2.4 million in HHS's Family Violence Prevention Program grants to assist women and children fleeing domestic abuse.
- **\$23 Million to Keep Drugs & Violence Out of Florida's Schools:** Florida has received \$23 million in FY97 for the Safe & Drug Free Schools Program, which invests in school security and drug prevention programs.

#### **MOVING FLORIDIANS FROM WELFARE TO WORK:**

- **254,362 Fewer People on Welfare:** There are 254,362 fewer people on welfare in Florida now than there were at the beginning of 1993 -- a 36% decrease [through 4/97].
- **Child Support Collections Up 61%:** Child support collections have increased by \$154 million -- or 61% -- in Florida since FY92 [through FY96].

#### **EXPANDING ACCESS TO EDUCATION:**

- **Over \$127 Million in Head Start Funding:** In FY96, Florida received \$127.3 million in Head Start funding, benefitting over 27,500 students. This year, Florida receives \$144 million, an increase of \$16.7 million over 1996.
- **\$1,032,840 for Early Head Start:** Florida received \$1,032,840 for Early Head Start in FY96 to provide basic early education, nutrition, and family development for low-income families with children under three. Early Head Start was established as a feature in the reauthorization of

the Head Start Act, signed by President Clinton in 1994.

- **\$21 Million in Goals 2000 Funding:** This year [FY97], Florida receives \$21 million in Goals 2000 funding. This money is used to raise academic achievement by raising academic standards, increasing parental and community involvement in education, expanding the use of computers and technology in classrooms, and supporting high-quality teacher professional development.
- **\$8 Million for Technology Literacy:** This year [FY97], Florida receives \$8 million for the Technology Literacy Challenge Fund which helps communities and the private sector ensure that every student is equipped with the computer literacy skills needed for the 21st century.
- **\$358 Million for Students Most in Need:** Florida receives \$358 million in Title I grants providing extra help in the basics for students most in need, particularly communities and schools with high concentrations of children in low-income families [FY97].
- **\$169.6 Million for Students with Disabilities:** This year, Florida will receive \$169.6 million under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to help ensure high quality educational opportunities for an estimated 322,810 disabled students in Florida.
- **\$68.2 Million for Vocational and Adult Education:** This year, \$68.2 million helps Florida's students and workers prepare for the 21st Century with technical and academic training. The funding also includes the School-to-Work program, bridging high school with vocational education.
- **\$278 Million in Pell Grants:** Florida receives \$278 million this year in Pell Grant funding, which helps Florida's low-income students go to college.
- **Over 2000 Volunteers Have Served in Florida through AmeriCorps:** This year, 246 AmeriCorps participants are serving their communities while earning money for college by working in Florida's schools, hospitals, neighborhoods and parks. Since the National Service program began in 1994, over 2000 volunteers have served Florida in 194 different programs [through FY97].

#### ***INVESTING IN FLORIDA'S HEALTH:***

- **Helping Florida Women and Children with WIC:** The Clinton Administration is committed to full funding in the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC). Today, in Florida, 64,306 more women and children in need are receiving health and food assistance than in 1994

#### ***PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT:***

- **17 Toxic Waste Sites Cleaned Up:** Since 1993, the EPA has completed 17 Superfund toxic waste cleanups in Florida, in Miami (3), Hialeah (2), Pensacola, Lake Park, Pompano Beach, Orlando, Davie, Cantonment, Jacksonville, Fort Lauderdale, Medley, Tampa, Baldwin and Madison [through 6/97]. There were only 9 sites cleaned up in the previous 12 years combined.
- **7 Brownfields Pilots in Florida:** Since 1993, the EPA has awarded 7 Brownfields Demonstration Pilots in Florida -- regional pilots in Clearwater, Gainesville, Miami, and St. Petersburg, and national pilots in Dade County, Jacksonville, and Tallahassee. These projects are intended to jump-start local clean-up efforts by providing funds over a two year period to return unproductive, abandoned, contaminated urban properties to productive use.

#### ***SPEARHEADING URBAN AND RURAL RENEWAL EFFORTS:***

- **\$9 Million to Communities Across Florida:** Tampa, Jackson County and Miami were all designated Enterprise Communities in December, 1994 and were awarded \$3 million each to create more jobs, housing, and economic opportunity for area residents.

#### ***EXPANDING FUNDS FOR TRAVEL IMPROVEMENT:***

- **Over \$700 Million to Improve Mass Transit:** The FTA has provided \$721.2 million since 1993 to

improve public transportation in Florida [through FY97].

- **\$3.9 Billion in Highway Funding:** Since 1993, Florida has received \$3.9 billion in federal highway aid. These funds have helped generate approximately 165,203 jobs [through FY97].
- **Over \$346 Million in Airport Improvement Funds:** Florida has received over \$346 million in airport improvement funds, which have gone to Miami International and Orlando International for constructing terminal buildings, acquiring land for runways, and improving runway lighting [through 6/97].

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE  
1997 AUTUMN RETREAT  
IN AMELIA ISLAND, FLORIDA  
BREAKFAST AND PANEL DISCUSSIONS  
HONORING PRESIDENT CLINTON

DATE: Saturday, November 1, 1997  
VENUE: The Ritz Carlton at Amelia Island  
TIME: 8:00 a.m.  
FROM: Fran Katz, Finance Director

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of the 1997 Autumn Retreat is to raise funds for the Democratic National Committee (DNC).

II. BACKGROUND

The 1997 Autumn Retreat in Amelia Island, Florida is a weekend retreat for top supporters of the Democratic National Committee. The weekend will highlight aspects of the Democratic agenda for 1998. Guests will participate in panel discussions following the informal roundtable discussion at breakfast.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Please see the attached guest lists.

IV. SEQUENCE

9:45 a.m.

- YOU proceed to the breakfast and are announced into the room by Ann Lewis accompanied Secretary Bill Daley
- YOU proceed to the podium
- PROGRAM:
  - Secretary Bill Daley deliver remarks and introduces YOU
  - YOU deliver brief welcome
- YOU depart following remarks and proceed to hold
- YOU depart the hold en route Discussion Group I
- YOU are announced into the room by discussion facilitator Governor Roy Romer
- YOU participate in the discussion
- YOU proceed to Discussion Group II and are announced into the room by discussion facilitator Robert Lieber
- YOU participate in the discussion
- YOU proceed to Discussion Group III and are announced into the room by discussion facilitator Glenn Lowry
- YOU participate in the discussion
- YOU depart third discussion group and proceed to hold

V. PRESS PLAN

The breakfast is open to the press for remarks.  
Discussion Group I is open to the pool press.  
Discussion Group II is open to the pool press via audio.  
Discussion Group III is open to the pool press via audio.

VI. REMARKS

Your remarks will be provided by speechwriting.

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE  
1997 AUTUMN RETREAT  
AT AMELIA ISLAND  
OCTOBER 31-NOVEMBER 2, 1997

Saturday, November 1, 1997

VIPS

Bill Bumpers, Environmental Attorney  
Maurice Daniel, Political Director, Office of the Vice President  
Michael Feldman, Senior Advisor to Vice President Gore  
Charles Ferguson, Creator of Vermeer Technologies  
Tom Kalil, Senior Director to the National Economic Council  
Katie McGinty, Director, Council of Environmental Policy  
Jonathan Sallet, Senior Policy Counselor, MCI  
Greg Simon, CEO, Simon Strategies, Inc.  
Rodney Slater, Secretary, Department of Transportation  
Craig T. Smith, Political Director, The White House  
Doug Sosnik, Counselor to the President, The White House

DNC Leadership

Dan Dutko, National Victory Fund Chairman  
Cynthia Friedman, Women's Leadership Forum Chairwoman  
Steve Grossman, National Chairman  
Tom Hendrickson, Democratic Business Council Chairman  
Carol Pensky, Treasurer  
Governor Roy Romer, General Chairman  
Alan D. Solomont, National Finance Chairman

**THE TALKING POINTS  
FOR THE DNC BREAKFAST AND DISCUSSIONS  
WILL BE FORWARDED**

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE  
1997 AUTUMN RETREAT  
IN AMELIA ISLAND, FLORIDA  
LUNCHEON  
HONORING PRESIDENT CLINTON

DATE: Saturday, November 1, 1997  
VENUE: The Ritz Carlton at Amelia Island  
TIME: 12:05 p.m.  
FROM: Fran Katz, Finance Director

**I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of the 1997 Autumn Retreat is to raise funds for the Democratic National Committee (DNC).

**II. BACKGROUND**

The 1997 Autumn Retreat in Amelia Island, Florida is a weekend retreat for top supporters of the Democratic National Committee. The weekend will highlight aspects of the Democratic agenda for 1998. Guests will participate in panel discussions followed by a seated luncheon.

**III. PARTICIPANTS**

Please see the attached guest lists.

**IV. SEQUENCE**

12:05 p.m.

- YOU proceed to the luncheon accompanied by Governor Roy Romer, DNC General Chairman.
- YOU are seated at the head table for lunch.
- PROGRAM:
  - Alan D. Solomont, National Finance Chairman delivers brief remarks and introduces Secretary Rodney Slater, Department of Transportation.
  - Secretary Slater delivers remarks.
- YOU depart upon the conclusion of the luncheon.

**V. PRESS PLAN**

The luncheon is open to the press.

**VI. REMARKS**

No remarks will be given.

**THE TALKING POINTS  
FOR THE DNC LUNCH  
WILL BE FORWARDED**

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE  
1997 AUTUMN RETREAT  
IN AMELIA ISLAND, FLORIDA  
HONORING PRESIDENT CLINTON  
AND VICE PRESIDENT GORE

DATE: Saturday, November 2, 1997  
VENUE: The Ritz Carlton at Amelia Island  
TIME: 7:00 p.m.  
FROM: Fran Katz, Finance Director

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of the 1997 Autumn Retreat is to raise funds for the Democratic National Committee (DNC).

II. BACKGROUND

The 1997 Autumn Retreat in Amelia Island, Florida is a weekend retreat with top supporters of the Democratic National Committee. The weekend will highlight aspects of the Democratic agenda for 1998. Special musical performances by Art Garfunkel and Billy Porter.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Please see the attached guest lists.

IV. SEQUENCE

7:00 p.m.

- YOU arrive and are announced into the room by Carol Pensky, DNC Treasurer accompanied by Vice President Gore and Secretary Bill Daley
- PROGRAM:
  - Secretary Bill Daley delivers remarks and introduces Vice President Gore
  - Vice President Gore delivers remarks and introduces YOU
  - YOU deliver brief welcome
- YOU are seated at the head table
- Art Garfunkel performs four songs
- Billy Porter performs seven songs
- YOU depart dinner

V. PRESS PLAN

The event is open to the press for remarks.

VI. REMARKS

Your remarks will be provided by speechwriting.

**THE TALKING POINTS  
FOR THE DNC DINNER  
WILL BE FORWARDED**