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TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

I. THE GREATEST SINGLE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE DEMOCRATIC AND REPUBLICAN PARTY IS THAT THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY HAS HISTORICALLY BELIEVED THAT THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTRY CAN BE TRUSTED TO GOVERN THEMSELVES. WATERGATE, WITH ALL OF ITS RAMIFICATIONS, HAS SHOWN THE REPUBLICAN PARTY LACKS THE CAPACITY FOR THIS BASIC TRUST.

THE PARTY OF JEFFERSON STILL BELIEVES THAT THERE IS "NO SAFE DEPOSITORY OF THE ULTIMATE POWERS OF SOCIETY BUT THE PEOPLE THEMSELVES."

2. IN ORDER FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY TO WIN IN THE FUTURE, ITS CANDIDATES ARE GOING TO HAVE TO STICK TOGETHER. SUPPORT MUST BE SOUGHT FROM ALL WINGS OF THE PARTY. IN SHORT, FAC-TIONALISM MUST CEASE. SURELY, IF SENATOR KENNEDY AND GOVERNOR WALLACE CAN MEET TOGETHER, VARIOUS GROUPS WITHIN THE NORTH CAROLINA DEMOCRATIC PARTY CAN FIND ROOM FOR ACCOMODATION.

3. POINT OUT THAT THE PEOPLE OF THIS STATE STILL THINK OF THEMSELVES AS DEMOCRATS EVEN THOUGH A REPUBLICAN GOVERNOR AND SENATOR WERE ELECTED IN 1972. THE REPUBLICAN PARTY CHAIRMAN WAS FORCED TO ADMIT RECENTLY THAT THE REGISTRATION DRIVE HAD BEEN A FAILURE.

4. SINCE THIS MEETING IS A FUND RAISING DINNER, YOU MIGHT MENTION THAT THEIR PRESENCE IS A GOOD INVESTMENT IN THE FUTURE FOR IT IS THE REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATION, NOW IN POWER, THAT IS SEEMINGLY INCAPABLE OF SLOWING THE RATE OF INFLATION.

5. FINALLY, YOU MIGHT POINT OUT THAT ALTHOUGH THE REPUBLICANS LIKE TO CAMPAIGN ON THE THEME OF RETURNING GOVERNMENT TO THE PEOPLE, FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY AND LAW AND ORDER, IT IS THIS PRESENT REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATION THAT ATTEMPTED TO CONCENTRATE SO MUCH POWER IN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH, HAS BEEN UNABLE TO CONTROL THE COST OF LIVING AND HAS PROVIDED SOME OF THE BIGGEST FINANCIAL DEBTS IN THE HISTORY OF THE FEDERAL BUDGET, AND HAS SHOWN US THE EXTENT OF ITS COMMITMENT TO LAW AND ORDER BY PROVIDING US WITH THE WATERGATE THEORY THAT THE ENDS JUSTIFY THE MEANS.

6. BY WAY OF CONTRAST, LOOK AT WHAT THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY HAS DONE CONCERNING LAW ENFORCEMENT HERE IN NORTH CAROLINA.

A- LEGISLATION WAS RECENTLY PASSED TO PROVIDE FOR A UNIFORM AND UPGRADED RETIREMENT PROGRAM FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.

B- AN APPROPRIATION OF OVER TWO MILLION DOLLARS WAS PASSED TO ASSIST LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN MEETING A MINIMUM \$6,000 ANNUAL SALARY FOR OFFICERS.

C- \$50,000 WAS APPROPRIATED FOR THE WORK OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING COUNCIL WHICH, COMPOSED OF SHERIFFS, POLICE CHIEFS AND OTHER OFFICERS, IS DEVELOPING MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR ADMISSION INTO LAW ENFORCEMENT AND FOR TRAINING.

D- THE NORTH CAROLINA CRIMINAL JUSTICE EDUCATION AND TRAINING SYSTEM WAS SET UP TO PROVIDE FOR A COORDINATED STATE SYSTEM OF TRAINING AND EDUCATION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS. THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT WILL ESTABLISH A CENTER TO PROVIDE EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR LOCAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE PERSONNEL UPON REQUEST.

E- SUFFICIENT FUNDS WERE GIVEN TO THE SBI TO ALLOW FOR TWENTY-TWO NEW FIELD AGENTS, TEN OF WHOM WILL BE COMBATING THE PROBLEM OF DANGEROUS DRUGS IN OUR STATE.

F- PIN ALSO WAS ALLOWED TO CONTINUE ITS EXPANSION BY WAY OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS.