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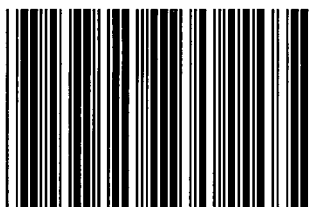
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Remarks Before the Democratic Women's Convention

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REMARKS OF REPRESENTATIVE MAX BAUCUS
BEFORE THE
DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S CONVENTION
MISSOULA, MONTANA
JUNE 24, 1978

THIS IS REALLY MY FIRST OPPORTUNITY SINCE THE PRIMARY TO MEET PERSONALLY WITH EACH OF YOU. THE PRIMARY ELECTION WAS THE RESULT OF THE EFFORTS OF MANY INDIVIDUALS WHO WORKED EXTREMELY HARD ON MY BEHALF. MERE THANKS IS SIMPLY INADEQUATE TO EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION TO EVERYONE WHO ASSISTED ME IN THIS EFFORT. I AM TRULY GRATEFUL.

PAUL, JOHN AND STEVE ARE ALL MEN OF ABILITY AND I COMMEND THEM FOR THEIR MANNER IN WHICH THEY CONDUCTED THEIR CAMPAIGNS.

I ACCEPT THE NOMINATION OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY FOR THE UNITED STATES SENATE WITH NO SMALL SENSE OF TREPIDATION. MONTANANS HAVE ALWAYS TAKEN A GOOD DEAL OF JUSTIFIABLE PRIDE IN THEIR U. S. SENATORS. THE DEATH OF LEE METCALF LEFT A GAPING VOID IN THE LEADERSHIP OF THE U. S. SENATE. THE PRIMARY VICTORY PLACES A GREAT DEAL OF RESPONSIBILITY UPON ME TO WORK DILIGENTLY TO MERIT THE CONTINUED CONFIDENCE AND TRUST OF MONTANA DEMOCRATS - A RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTINUE THE MONTANA TRADITION OF LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE IN THE U. S. SENATE.

NOW THE REAL WORK BEGINS IN EARNEST. WE MUST BEGIN TODAY IN OUR EFFORT TO ELECT DEMOCRATS IN THIS FALL'S ELECTION. PAUL, JOHN AND STEVE HAVE PLEDGED THEIR EFFORTS TO WORK HARD FOR THE NOMINEES OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY. WE ARE UNITED IN THIS EFFORT.

WE MUST ELECT PAT WILLIAMS AND TOM MONAHAN TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. WE MUST ELECT DEMOCRATIC MAJORITIES IN THE STATE HOUSE AND SENATE. WE MUST CARRY EVERY COUNTY OFFICE IN THIS FALL'S ELECTION.

WITHIN HOURS OF THE PRIMARY ELECTION, I RECEIVED A CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE FROM MIKE MANSFIELD. I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOU PART OF MIKE'S TELEGRAM.

"IT IS MY HOPE NOW THAT THE PRIMARY IS OVER THAT ALL DEMOCRATS WILL GET TOGETHER AND SUPPORT THE TICKET FROM TOP TO BOTTOM. AS FAR AS I AM CONCERNED, I WILL VOTE A STRAIGHT DEMOCRATIC TICKET IN NOVEMBER. I URGE YOU TO COVER THE STATE FROM EKALAKA TO TROY AND FROM PLENTYWOOD TO WEST YELLOWSTONE AND ALL POINTS IN BETWEEN AND AROUND."

AS ALWAYS, MIKE HAS GIVEN ALL OF US SOME SAGE ADVICE. THE FUTURE OF MONTANA HANGS IN THE BALANCE. WE MUST REDOUBLE OUR EFFORTS TO INSURE DEMOCRATIC VICTORIES THIS FALL.

IN CLOSING, THIS FALL'S ELECTION IS GOING TO GET VERY CONFUSING WITH THREE WILLIAMS INVOLVED --- PAT, LARRY AND HERB. USING INTEGRITY, ABILITY, AND HARD WORK AS A MEASURE, MONTANANS WILL EASILY BE ABLE TO DISTINGUISH THE NEXT CONGRESSMAN FROM WESTERN MONTANA -- PAT WILLIAMS.

I AM GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE A FEW MOMENTS WITH EACH OF YOU TODAY. MAY YOUR MEETING BE PRODUCTIVE AND ABOVE ALL ENJOYABLE. UNTIL OUR PATHS CROSS AGAIN DURING THIS FALLS' ELECTION, I WISH YOU ALL GOOD LUCK AND A DEMOCRATIC VICTORY NOVEMBER 7.

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