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HUMAN/URBAN NEEDS

Housing

--This nation must revitalize its housing programs.

(Calif. League of Cities, 10/19)

--We need a national program of housing that starts building housing so people can have homes at prices they can afford.

(Atlantic-Antic parade, 9/19)

--Bringing these interest rates down, restraining inflation will, in the long run, do more to end our housing shortage and the deterioration of our cities than any federal housing program. (Calif. League of Cities, 10/19)

--We will provide a reasonable, stable credit policy.

(Las Vegas press release, 8/16)

--Carter/Mondale will act to bring about recovery in the housing industry by: lower interest rates, direct federal subsidies and low interest loans for construction of low and middle income housing, reactivating existing federal housing programs -- particularly Section 202 housing for the elderly and Section 312 housing rehabilitation programs. (Cuyahoga Co. dinner, 10/24 press release)

--We need to restore the federally-assisted housing programs, 235, 236, 202 and we need to administer them properly.

On abandoned homes, we have to have a prompt and effective program. (Latinos, Bronx 10/31)

--The Emergency Mortgage Relief Act must be administered in a way to be useful to Americans. (Harrisburg)

--Gov. Carter will not destroy the housing programs for senior citizens as the Republican administration has done. (Mondale-Dole Debate, 10/15)

--When we finally got \$330 million released this year for housing for older Americans, not a single grant was made to a Hispanic elderly community in this nation. (El Congresso 9/30)

--Implied, support for the Woodlawn Organization's major rehabilitation project, only part of which has yet been carried out. (Woodlawn press release, 9/16)

Cities

--A high priority of our administration will be to end the policies that have abandoned our cities and to pursue a course which recognizes the necessity of federal support and assistance in solving our urban problems. (Calif. League of Cities, 10/19)

--Now there's no way that our cities can cope with these difficult problems alone. Once again we must restore a creative and respectful partnership between Washington and state and city governments (Calif. League of Cities, 10/19)

Cities (continued)

--The present administration has impounded, vetoed, slowed down and interfered with social services programs -- housing, family, education, community development programs -- to help cities deal with problems. Carter-Mondale would in all respects change these policies. (Jewish Leaders, 9/30)

--Called for federal funds for urban programs. Said that Carter had proposed his own revenue sharing plan whereby local governments would receive \$8.5 billion more than Ford's plan. Said Carter-Mondale would devise a plan for federal housing programs in the cities. (Calif. League of Cities)

Public Transportation

--As a general matter, the Ford Administration -- like its predecessor -- has put on tremendous pressure against assistance to public transportation, either in terms of the acquisition of transportation equipment (busses, rails, etc) and, on the other hand, operational costs. We would intend to move in that direction with much more vigor both in the large urban centers and the rural areas as well. (Wheeling news conference, 10/30)

Families

--Put families and family life the #1 priority (National Baptist Convention, 9/9)

--Work with government, private, voluntary and religious organizations to help families in trouble. (Child Abuse Center 9/2)

Families (continued)

--Our administration is going to put at the head of our priorities careful concern that the family is given what it must have to do its own job. Government should not run or interfere with the family. But in many ways we mindlessly interfere and put pressures on it...tax burden of families with moderate income. (Eau Claire, 8/27)

--Government should reduce pressures on family, urge a family impact statement on government actions, end high unemployment (National Baptist convention, 9/9)

--Opposes a constitutional amendment to prohibit abortion. Gov. Carter has said he opposes abortion, would do everything to diminish its use (encourage adoption, foster care, and other efforts, would not support use of public funds for abortions, would not interfere in the constitutional process) (Rieggle Hdqtrs. 9/19)

--Encourage and improve the chances for adoption of children on the state level and provide quality foster care (Harrisburg)

Welfare

--Gov. Carter and I propose a fair, uniform, national program of welfare benefits funded in substantial part by the federal government, and as the federal budget margin permits, we are committed to assuming the local share of welfare payments. (Calif. League of Cities, 10/19)

Welfare (continued)

--We look forward to working with state and local officials to design a program which is fair to the beneficiary, fair to the dedicated people who work in our welfare system and, above all, fair to the American taxpayer. (Calif. League of Cities, 10/19)

--We need to reform our welfare system so families don't have to split up. (Binghamton NY 9/20)

--We want to remove what are called the disincentive features of our welfare system. (Calif. League of Cities)

Education

--Carter/Mondale will make education for our children a top priority. (AFT, 8/16)

--We will restore budget policies that reflect our values. We can and will move no faster than we can afford. We will not tolerate waste, but in our administration the history of education funding will not be a long and disgraceful trail of overridden vetoes. Government has no higher priority than to provide our children with a quality education they deserve. (Wisc. Education Assn. 10/29)

--We will work to renew the federal support for education. We will have a simplified and more effective federal grant program under our Administration. And, unlike the Ford Administration's so called block-grant, our reform will

Education (continued)

not be an excuse to retreat from our federal commitment to education. The Republican platform this year calls for a study of ways to end federal aid to elementary and secondary education. (Wisconsin Education Assn. 10/29)

--Put government resources behind the support of institutions like higher education facilities, research facilities, laboratory facilities and student assistance. (Binghamton NY 9/20)

--Support for the Democratic Platform on education (increased federal support for Title I, education of the handicapped, bilingual and early childhood education, use of federal funds to eliminate the differences in education spending among local school districts, and new funding to permit access to quality post-secondary education to American youngsters to go on in education). AFT, 8/16.

--Strong student assistance for those attending private universities. (Binghamton NY 9/20)

--We have watched as his Administration hold down efforts to provide scholarships, loans, tax credits and other forms of help to working families so that their children can go to college. (Seattle AFL-CIO, 8/15)

--Increase subsidized guarantee loan program to incomes of \$25,000 with adjustment up to \$30,000. (Binghamton NY 9/20)

Education (Continued)

--We will reform the National Institute of Education. Under their management, the NIE has suffered from weak leadership, demoralized staff and a lack of direction or support. We must and will have high quality targeted research that helps the teacher in the classroom. And one of the most important things we'd like to do with NIE is to get teachers in the NIE. (Wisc. Education Assn. 10/29)

--We are the only Western Society, I believe, without a Minister or Cabinetry of Education. At long last, under our administration, we will establish a Department of Education long called for by the WEA and the NEA in this country. (Wisconsin Education Assn. 10/29)

--Does not favor a constitutional amendment that would permit discrimination in school systems. Government should work with the courts in shaping a plan where discrimination has been found that diminishes the need for bussing and disruption. (Jewish business leaders, 9/1)

Bilingual Education

--While we have to be realistic, we do want to make a new thrust in the areas of bilingual/bicultural education and we will push heavily in this field. (Latinos, Bronx 10/31)

--Administration denied funding for training of bilingual medical personnel. WFM has been leader for bilingual, bicultural education, need increased budget. (Council for Latin American advancement, 9/25)

--Even now, only half of our disadvantaged children receive any kind of compensatory education. Only 10% of the children who need it get bilingual education. And 2 million children are excluded or pushed out of schools. (AFT, 8/16)

--As Vice President, WFM would work closely in the development of the budget (regarding bilingual education) so that the budget is supported by the White House for a change and then work with the Congress, the appropriations committee, and the education committee in building strength for this program. (Spanish news program, 10/11).

Health

--A Carter-Mondale administration can and will provide coverage against medical catastrophe without placing further hardships on those who need basic services.

(Milwaukee Seniors, 8/27)

--One of the key problems would be to try to finally get a health insurance program to deal with the health crisis in America. In the past 2 years, health costs have risen in the cities by over 25%. We have to do something about that.

(Mondale-Dole debate, 10/15)

--I would like to be there next year as the presiding officer of the Senate when at long last we fulfill that responsibility and remove the curse of major illness off the backs of decent Americans with a national health insurance program. (Washington AFL-CIO, 8/17)

Arts

--Arts and Humanities bill: That program, I can guarantee you, under the Carter Administration will receive the fullest possible support. And its funding will be expanded and we will have an even more important supportive role from the Federal Government than ever before. We feel deeply about the arts. (Stratford, Ct. fundraiser, 9/11)

NATURAL RESOURCES

General

--We must have a strong environmental policy. (Mondale-Dole debat

--We announce and we pledge to establish the closest working relationship with the Western States -- and among other things -- to sign a good strip mining bill that would permit us to produce coal but to do so in a way that was consistent with the environmental, farming and other needs of this area, and would leave it in its present beautiful state.

(Butte Montana News conference, 10/21)

--Single lock and dam 26 after a complete study, a ceiling to prohibit any barge traffic that exceeded theoretical limits of present lock (Carter opposes). (U of Ill, 9/14)

--Will give a copy of the petition (that someone gave him) regarding the animals that have been sacrificed to all members of the Congress. (Madison Wisc. 9/22)

Energy

--Called for a national energy policy, criticized Project Independence, criticized the Administration for scattering energy policy around 20 agencies. A Carter/Mondale energy policy would include strong conservation program combined with steps to stimulate production of coal, oil and gas resources and alternative forms of energy -- including controls on strip mining, reorganization of the federal

Energy (continued)

energy bureaucracy, cooperation with energy-producing western states and improved communications with state and local governments. (W. States Water & Power Conf. 10/18)

--The American president is supposed to work to keep energy prices down, pursue a policy that doesn't deal unfairly with New England and the Northeast United States. (Mt. Vernon, New York, 10/2)

--It's a mark of the failure of this administration that the Western Governors, who have been totally ignored in the development of energy policies -- energy produced right in their own states -- had to set up their own Western Governors' Regional Policy Office for Energy in order to try to force this administration to listen to the duly-elected Government and the people of the Western United States. We have to get a president who will respect and listen to the people of these mountain states or they'll destroy us. (Butte Montana Rally, 10/21)

--Put coal at the top of list for energy independence. Balanced strip mining legislation and coal mine leasing act. (Jewish Business leaders, 9/1)

--MHD Project in Butte: After it was adopted, the Administration has tried to go slow in funding this exciting new possibility to produce electricity from coal and to do it with a minimum use of water and the minimum side effects in the form of environmental pollution. If you elect us, we will immediately fully fund that project and get it going

Energy (continued)

the way it should. (Butte Montate Rally, 10/21)

--Reasonable incentives to producers are clearly needed to meet the costs of exploration and production (natural gas). That's why we support a cautious experimental lifting of price ceilings on new natural gas. Through this program we can find out whether these incentives will bring greater production without a sharp increase in the overall price of gas to consumers. We'll make sure that price controls are kept on the vast bulk of natural gas -- the gas that's already been discovered and placed under contract. (W. States Water & Power Conf. 10/18)

--We will actively pursue an energy policy aimed at reducing American dependence on imported oil. And we will pursue this policy with a sensitivity to the particular energy problems of various regions of the country. (W. States Conf)

--Develop reserves of oil so embargoes don't work. Work with other allies to get them more forthcoming in the case of an embargo. (Jewish leaders, 9/1)

--Carter-Mondale will stand up to the big oil companies and speak for the people. (Manchester, 10/2)

--Pro oil-company divestiture. Prohibit cross-ownership of different industries. Have a competitive energy industry. (Commonwealth Club, 8/30)

Energy (continued)

--We have seen Mr. Ford propose a total deregulation of gas and oil...a policy that would have cost every family an average of \$500 more this year. (Press release, 8/17)

--Criticized Ford's 1975 proposal of \$3 tariff on imported oil. (W. States Conf. 10/18)

--Develop existing resources of oil and gas that we control (in Alaska), have Canada's cooperation for other sources of fuel. All-out research and development into alternative sources. (Jewish business leaders, 9/1)

--Deep tax credit for the purchase of home solar units. (Jewish business leaders, 9/1)

--We believe mandatory fuel efficiency standards for cars are essential and we support them. On energy conservation standards for major appliances -- we will fight for them. On mass transit and revitalization of our railroads -- we think the U.S. should have rail and mass transit systems second to none, both urban and rural. (W. States Water and Power Conf, 10/18)

SPECIAL GROUPS -- MINORITIESSmall Business

--We need to strengthen small business -- tax laws that represent the needs of small business. We must ensure competition in the business industry (undermined by monopoly and government regulation), bring down interest rates to ease the credit burden for small business. Need small business representation on the Federal Reserve Board. Reform tax laws to encourage and make it profitable to keep local family owned businesses, farms and other assets. (W. Palm Beach Forum Club, 9/13)

Labor

--The mine workers will no longer be ignored by the government of the United States under President Carter. No hope for protecting the lives of mine workers under a Republican president. Only hope is a new Coal Mine bill supported by mine workers and administered by a President who puts people and life first. (UMW Conv. 9/29)

--Nixon-Ford impounded building trades funds, these should be made available for the purposes intended. (LA Labor Breakfast, 9/1)

--Better enforcement of mine safety and black lung programs. Need for better provisions for collection of civil penalties under Coal Mine Safety Act. Mondale supports the new mine

Labor (continued)

safety law. Better administration of the black lung program, faster processing of claims, greater consistency and fairness. Need to liberalize evidentiary burden & transfer costs to coal operators. (Cincinnati UMW, 9/29).

--I'm going to keep the gavel (plumbers union gave him) you gave me today until that day very early in the new administration when Congress passes the Common Situs Picketing bill and sends it to the President for his signature. This time the President is going to sign it and I'm going to use that gavel and pound it into law. (Las Vegas, 8/16)

Women

--Carter/Mondale will push for enactment of the ERA before March 22, 1979. (Krupsak meeting press release, 8/26).

Handicapped

--End discrimination for the handicapped (ramps, water fountains, phones, restrooms). Would sign a commitment for the handicapped. (Michigan State)

--We need a selective approach for handicapped and people who need skills and the rest (for getting jobs). KPIX, San Francisco, 8/30.

Spanish Speaking, Migrants

--The migrant situation is a disgrace to our country. Gross illustrating how far we have to go: health care in migrant

Spanish speaking, Migrants

communities, education -- problems of bicultural schools, textbooks, language, teachers, migrant education, Title I money. (El Congresso, 9/30)

--The Carter-Mondale administration will recognize and draw on the strength of Spanish-speaking Americans. I've always had Spanish speaking staff members to help me to understand this problem and to draw on the strengths they can bring to this country. I won't attempt to say that we definitely will have this or that, but I will observe that this is a disgraceful fact in America (that there has never been a spanish-speaking in a top or Cabinet level position). What we want to do is to make appointments that bring with them strength and policy. (Spanish radio, 10/11)

--I'm not in a position to make a commitment on this, but I think it's an outrage that there has never been an Hispanic member of the Supreme Court and I think that it ought to be given very serious consideration. (Chicano leaders, L.A. 10/18)

--On the issue of Puerto Rican input into the policy-making decisions in the area of communications -- especially the FCC because of the large number of Latin drop-out students viewing television -- I would speak with Carter on this as well as work with Latinos in this area. (Latinos, Bronx 10/31)

Senior Citizens

--We must make the Social Security and Medicaid programs more responsive to the needs of senior citizens. (Pinellas Park, 9/14)

--Better health care coverage for the elderly, i.e. national health insurance with strict cost controls, revitalization of housing programs, especially for the elderly. (Pinellas Park, 9/14)

--Rich folks are ripping off Medicaid and Medicare programs. Government has to take charge of these programs. We must put people back to work to increase the payroll taxes that go into the social security fund. (Pinellas Park)

--The Ford Administration has nickled and dimed the Medicare program to death. This year it tried to shove \$1½ billion onto seniors by raising deductibilities, monthly premiums and increasing cost of going to the hospital. We're not ourselves unless we care for others. That means good Social Security, Medicare that covers medical costs and the sorts of things that permit seniors to retire in dignity and security. (Morgantown, W. Va. 10/27)

--Gov. Carter will not try, as Mr. Ford did, to put a cap on Social Security so senior citizens were robbed of their inflationary adjustment (Mondale-Dole debate, 10/15)

Minorities

--We need a vigorous minority enterprise program. Through such programs as the SBA -- give people a chance to own their own business, develop capital and keep this capital in neighborhood banks. (Harrisburg)

--The trend regarding minority businesses should be reversed (more SBA loans, etc.). We intend to change that. We intend to make those programs really work and we intend to pursue an economic policy that lowers interest rates, stimulates the economy, fights inflation, gets the housing industry going again and makes it possible for Americans to go back to work and take care of themselves. (Cleveland black businessmen, 8/28).

JUSTICE

Illegal Aliens

--One of the things I hope the Carter administration will deal with early is a responsible, sensitive, humane treatment of this whole problem which will have to include the relationship of this nation and the immigration policies from all the Latin American countries -- with special emphasis on the Mexican-American population. (Spanish News, 10/11)

--I don't think either bill (Rodino, Eilberg) remotely meets the problem, and both do damage. This is a very difficult issue. I'd like to see us pursue the general theory of amnesty and try to give those who've established some sort of what you might call 'squatters' rights' to finally be legitimized in their right to stay here. (Chicano leaders 10/18)

--I'd like to see our administration establish a commission with some of the best minds in the country (with strong representation from the Spanish community) to see how we can give permanent status and hopefully citizenship status to people who have been here for a long time. (Spanish news)

Amnesty

--I have never supported the concept of a general amnesty. What I believe is that people who resisted the draft have many times been harshly dealt with. A good deal of justice requires that this matter be put behind us as quickly as possible. I support Gov. Carter's position for draft evaders. (RHR High, 10/6)

Amnesty (continued)

--A pardon would be a healing action, but hasn't given much thought to those with dishonorable discharges. (KRON-TV, San Francisco 8/30)

Gun Control

--Favor registration (not taxing) of handguns for law enforcement purposes. (Jewish leaders, 9/30)

--No justification for Saturday Night Specials. (Jewish leaders)

Drugs

--We need to have a coordinated, effective national attack on organized and hard crime -- to stop the importation of illegal drugs. (Mondale-Dole debate)

--Stiff laws prohibiting hard drugs, tough on pushers and importers. (Michigan state)

Republicans used funds for the IRS to track down drug traffickers and diverted it for other purposes. The Drug Enforcement Act is in shambles. (Lewiston, Me. 9/20)

--We should decriminalize marijuana. (U of Ill. 9/14)

Law Enforcement

--Law enforcement efforts need to include: training law enforcement officers, equipping them properly, decent pay, right kind of laboratory equipment, detection and analysis, working with prosecutors for effective prosecution, working with correction officers to stem recidivist tide, prosecute more offenders, put teens to work at public service jobs, single standard of justice. (Commonwealth Club, 8/30)

Watergate Reforms

--Gov. Carter and I are committed to the principle that no inherent Constitutional authority for the President or any agency of the federal government exists to violate the law; we will seek a specific legislative charter to spell out powers of federal intelligence agencies, but also the precise limitations on those powers; lastly, we welcome and will fight for legislation to permit the appointment of an independent special prosecutor. (Wisconsin Ed. Assn, 10/29)

--We need to have a look at official lawlessness at the Federal level -- establishing an inter-departmental agency under the chairmanship of the Vice President to put strength behind a national effort to deal with problems in American life. (Mondale-Dole debate)

INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES (UMKC Speech, 10/5/76)

-- Would not tolerate a CIA that carries on assassinations, topples freely elected foreign governments, violates the rights and privacy of American citizens.

--FBI activities would be confined to actual or suspected violations of the law. If there is a question, strengthen the law, do not bend it.

--End illegal opening of mail, illegal tapping of phones, and illegal breaking into homes.

--Specific legislative charter to spell out the powers of the FBI, CIA and other intelligence agencies -- and the precise limitations on those powers.

--End the practice of using vague and elastic executive orders to define the jurisdiction of sensitive agencies.

--Bar foreign and military intelligence agencies, and non-intelligence agencies such as the IRS from illegal domestic "intelligence activities."

--The responsibility of the Attorney General to assure legal conduct by the FBI and other agencies is clarified and strengthened. Written authorization required for all government programs, with attorneys within the various departments required to state in writing that a program is lawful before it is carried out.

Intelligence Agencies (continued)

--Full cooperation with Congressional committees with jurisdiction over intelligence activities, and prompt and full disclosure of information.

--Will fight for legislation to permit the appointment of an independent special prosecutor -- insulated from the control and influence of the Executive Branch.

--Will fight for the statutory right of citizens to sue the federal government and responsible officials for damages.

--Stand behind freedom of information, against censorship and against government attempts to intimidate a free press.



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