

TALKING POINTS PREPARED FOR
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DUBUQUE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
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THANK YOU, TOM (CONGRESSMAN TAUKE), FOR THOSE KIND WORDS OF INTRODUCTION. LET ME SAY AT THE OUTSET THAT TOM TAUKE IS ONE OF THE MOST EFFECTIVE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS. HE IS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE AND ITS TRANSPORTATION AND TOURISM SUBCOMMITTEE WHERE HE WORKS WITH MANY OF OUR ISSUES. I HAVE HIGHEST REGARD FOR HIS KNOWLEDGE OF TRANSPORTATION ISSUES. TOM IS KNOWN IN WASHINGTON FOR HIS CONSTITUENT SERVICES AND HE REPRESENTS YOUR INTERESTS IN THE STRONGEST TRADITION.

WHAT A JOY TO BE IN DUBUQUE AND MEET IN THIS DELIGHTFUL HISTORIC HOME.

* THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IS ACTIVE IN HISTORIC PRESERVATION.

* MY MOTHER -- HISTORIC TRAIN STATION IN SALISBURY.

* HISTORY AND ECONOMIC GROWTH SHARE THE SPOTLIGHT THIS MORNING.

LET ME SPEND JUST A MOMENT GIVING YOU A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES.

- * I HOPE TO LEAVE A LEGACY OF BETTER GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION -- REDEFINING GOVERNMENT IF YOU WILL.

- * IT IS MY GOAL TO GET THE GOVERNMENT OUT OF THE BUSINESS OF OWNING RAILROADS AND OPERATING AIRPORTS.

 - CONRAIL

 - AIRPORTS

- * SAFETY ACROSS ALL MODES IS MY HIGHEST PRIORITY.

- * NEW RULE REQUIRING RAILROAD EMPLOYEES NOT TO DRINK OR USE DRUGS ON THE JOB; 12 YEARS IN THE MAKING.

- * FUTURE CHALLENGES

 - COMMERCIAL SPACE.

- DRUGS. TRAVELERS HAVE THE RIGHT TO EXPECT AND RECEIVE A DRUG FREE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM. AND I'M DETERMINED TO SEE THIS HAPPEN.

- FAA REAUTHORIZATION.

IN CONCLUSION, I ASK YOU TO JOIN ME IN THE JOURNEY THAT LEADS TO AN EVER-BETTER, SAFER SYSTEM OF TRANSPORTATION -- THE FINEST IN OUR HISTORY. I SENSE FROM THE SPIRIT EVIDENT HERE TODAY THAT THE BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY LEADERS OF DUBUQUE DO NOT NEED TO BE CONVINCED. THE TRADITION OF THIS CITY AS A TRANSPORTATION HUB IS WELL-ESTABLISHED, AND MUCH OF YOUR ECONOMY HAS BEEN BUILT ON THE QUALITY OF YOUR TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES. THERE IS NO DOUBT IN MY MIND THAT DUBUQUE WILL MORE THAN MEET THE CHALLENGES. I LOOK FORWARD TO MAKING THE JOURNEY WITH YOU.

AND NOW, I'LL BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY WISH TO

ASK.

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