

TALKING POINTS FOR  
SECRETARY ELIZABETH HANFORD DOLE  
BARRY UNIVERSITY  
JUNE 9, 1983

\* BOB AND I ARE DELIGHTED TO BE HERE AND DEEPLY HONORED TO RECEIVE THE "ORDER OF THE FLAME," BARRY UNIVERSITY'S HIGHEST HONOR.

\* I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK SANDRA MCMURTRIE FOR THE HOSPITALITY SHE HAS SHOWN TO US HERE THIS EVENING BY OPENING HER HOME TO THIS RECEPTION.

\* I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE:

-- SANDRA'S MOTHER, INEZ ANDREAS, A PERSONAL FRIEND  
AND A PAST RECIPIENT OF THIS AWARD; AND

-- SISTER JEANNE, WHO BEST EXEMPLIFIES THE SPIRIT OF  
BARRY UNIVERSITY.

\* I AM PARTICULARLY MOVED THAT THIS AWARD IS GIVEN TO THOSE WHO REPRESENT A CONSISTENCY BETWEEN CHRISTIAN VALUES AND ACTIONS IN THEIR LIVES, BOTH PERSONALLY AND PROFESSIONALLY.



\* IT HAS NOT ALWAYS BEEN AN EASY TASK, BUT LEARNING TO COMBINE VALUES AND ACTION HAS PROVEN TO BE EXTREMELY REWARDING AND FULFILLING TO ME.

\* WHEN I WAS DECIDING WHETHER TO ACCEPT THE PRESIDENT'S OFFER TO SERVE AS SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION, I DIDN'T SEEK ADVICE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL LEADERS OR EXPERTS IN THE FIELD.

\* INSTEAD, I WENT TO FOUR CHRISTIAN FRIENDS WHO PRAYED AND TALKED WITH ME ABOUT MY CAREER AND HOW GOD'S WILL WOULD EFFECT MY LIFE.

\* I DIDN'T TALK TO ANYONE ELSE AND WAS PLEASED I MADE MY DECISION THIS WAY. I KNEW THEN I WAS WELL ON MY WAY IN MY SPIRITUAL JOURNEY.

\* I FEEL AS A GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL I HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO REFER TO GOD IN SOME WAY THROUGH MY WORK. I HAVE A RUNNING COMMUNICATION WITH GOD ALL DAY LONG TO HELP ME FACE THE DIFFICULT TASKS AND GAIN THE

INNER STRENGTH HE PROVIDES.

\* THOSE WHO ATTEND BARRY UNIVERSITY HAVE GAINED A DISTINCT ADVANTAGE IN THIS AREA, IN LARGE PART BECAUSE OF THE ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY THE FACULTY AND STAFF.

\* BARRY UNIVERSITY HAS THE DISTINCTION OF BEING THE OLDEST CATHOLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING IN FLORIDA, BUT IT DEMONSTRATES ITS GRASP OF PRESENT NEEDS THROUGH ITS HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMS.

\* BARRY IS AN EXCEPTIONAL SCHOOL, DAILY DEMONSTRATING THE COMMITMENT OF THE DOMINICAN SISTERS TO THE HUMAN SERVICES.

\* ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT AREAS I'LL BE CONCENTRATING MY EFFORTS ON DURING MY TENURE AS SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION IS SAFETY. SPECIFICALLY, TO ENCOURAGE TOUGHER DRUNK DRIVING LAWS AND INCREASED



USE OF SAFETY BELTS. WE KNOW THAT WE CAN SAVE THOUSANDS OF LIVES AND PREVENT MANY SERIOUS INJURIES THROUGH THESE EFFORTS.

\* IN ADDITION TO STRESSING THE NEED FOR HUMAN SERVICES, BARRY UNIVERSITY HAS ALWAYS EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF FAMILY LIFE TO THE FABRIC OF AMERICAN SOCIETY.

\* I ENJOY MY JOB TREMENDOUSLY, BUT ONE UNFORTUNATE SIDE-EFFECT IS THAT BOB AND I DON'T ALWAYS GET TO SEE AS MUCH OF EACH OTHER AS WE WOULD LIKE. I AM DOUBLY INDEBTED TO YOU TONIGHT, NOT ONLY FOR THIS WONDERFUL AWARD, BUT FOR BRINGING BOB AND I TOGETHER AT THE SAME FUNCTION.

\* BOB AND I DON'T ALWAYS AGREE ON ADMINISTRATION POLICIES AND PROGRAMS, BUT WE STILL ENJOY THE GIVE AND TAKE OF OUR POLITICAL PARTNERSHIP. FOR EXAMPLE, IN A RECENT ARTICLE IN THE WASHINGTON POST,

A HEADLINE INDICATED "DOLE" AGREED WITH A PARTICULAR POLICY. BOB  
GLANCED AT THE HEADLINE QUICKLY AND COMPLAINED HE NEVER AGREED TO ANY  
SUCH THING. AND I SAID, "YES, BUT I DID."

\* THANK YOU ALL FOR THIS VERY HIGH HONOR YOU HAVE BESTOWED UPON  
BOTH OF US.

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