

REMARKS OF
THE HONORABLE THOMAS H. KEAN

GOVERNOR

AT THE
VISIT OF VICE-PRESIDENT BUSH

TO

ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY

OCTOBER 12, 1984

THANK YOU, MIKE (DIPASQUALE)

I THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE THAT SO MANY REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE LABOR MOVEMENT SHOULD BE WITH US TODAY TO GREET VICE
PRESIDENT BUSH, AND TO SUPPORT THE REAGAN-BUSH TICKET.

BECAUSE IF THERE IS ONE THING THAT LABOR CARES MOST
ABOUT, IT IS JOBS.

AND IF THERE IS ONE SINGULAR SUCCESS THAT RONALD REAGAN
AND GEORGE BUSH HAVE HAD IN THESE PAST FOUR YEARS, IT IS IN
CREATING JOBS FOR AMERICA, AND JOBS FOR NEW JERSEY.

SINCE RONALD REAGAN AND GEORGE BUSH TOOK OFFICE, SIX
MILLION NEW JOBS HAVE BEEN CREATED IN THIS COUNTRY --
300,000 IN NEW JERSEY ALONE.

THAT'S THE BOTTOM LINE. THAT'S THE YARDSTICK BY WHICH
WE CAN MEASURE THIS ADMINISTRATION. THAT IS THE CLEAREST
INDICATOR OF WHETHER OR NOT THIS ADMINISTRATION HAS BEEN
GOOD FOR LABOR -- AND GOOD FOR THE WORKING MEN AND WOMEN OF
THIS COUNTRY.

IT'S BEEN SAID THAT "THE REAL SECRET POWER OF LABOR IS
THAT IT WORKS."

WELL, THE REAL SECRET OF THIS ADMINISTRATION IS THAT IT
WORKS. ITS ECONOMIC PROGRAM WORKS. AND BECAUSE OF IT,
AMERICA IS WORKING.

I AM PARTICULARLY AWARE OF THIS AS THE GOVERNOR OF A
STATE THAT TOO MANY PEOPLE HAD WRITTEN OFF. PEOPLE AROUND
THE COUNTRY DON'T -- OR DIDN'T BEFORE NOW -- UNDERSTAND NEW
JERSEY'S IMPORTANCE. HER STRENGTH.

WELL, RONALD REAGAN AND GEORGE BUSH UNDERSTOOD. THEY HELPED BUILD THAT STRENGTH.

AND NOW THE REST OF THE COUNTRY KNOWS. THEY KNOW WE

ARE A FORCE TO BE RECKONED WITH. AN ECONOMIC FORCE. AND A POLITICAL FORCE.

NEW JERSEY IS GOING TO GO RIGHT ON CREATING JOBS.

NEW JERSEY IS GOING TO PUT ITS PEOPLE TO WORK.

NEW JERSEY IS GOING TO BE AN EVEN BIGGER FORCE IN THIS REGION, AND IN THIS NATION.

AND NEW JERSEY IS GOING TO DELIVER ONE OF THE BIGGEST MARGINS IN AMERICA FOR THE ELECTION OF RONALD REAGAN AND GEORGE BUSH.

THE MAN I AM ABOUT TO INTRODUCE CAN HELP US DO THAT.

THE SON OF AN IMMIGRANT, HE IS NOW ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT LABOR LEADERS IN AMERICA.

AND AS SUCH, HE UNDERSTANDS THE PROMISE OF AMERICA.