

THIS IS A NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC TELEVISION SPECIAL PRESENTATION.  
THE NEW HAMPSHIRE POLITICAL LIBRARY AND THE NEW ENGLAND COUNCIL PRESENT  
POLITICS AND EGGS WITH FORMER SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE NEWT GINGRICH WITH  
SUPPORT FROM BAE SYSTEMS, CLEAN HARBORS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AND  
FIDELITY INVESTMENTS.

**MICHAEL CHANEY/NH POLITICAL LIBRARY:** MY NAME IS MICHAEL CHANEY. I'M THE  
PRESIDENT OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE POLITICAL LIBRARY WHO PARTNERS WITH NEW  
ENGLAND COUNCIL IN PRODUCING THE POLITICS AND EGGS PRESIDENTIAL  
CANDIDATE SERIES. WE ALWAYS WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT  
AT THE BEGINNING TO POINT OUT AT YOUR TABLE CARDS AND WITH THE BANNERS  
AROUND THE ROOM THE MANY CORPORATIONS THAT SUPPORT THIS NEW  
HAMPSHIRE TRADITION WITHOUT WHOSE SUPPORT WE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO  
CREATE AN EVENT FOR 200 PEOPLE FOR PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES FROM AROUND  
THE COUNTRY TO COME AND VISIT. WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME THIS  
MORNING THE FORMER SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE, NEWT GINGRICH. AND MY PARTNER,  
JIM BRETT, THE PRESIDENT OF THE NEW ENGLAND COUNCIL WILL BE INTRODUCING  
HIM SHORTLY. BUT I DO WANT TO SAY THAT AS WE HAVE TURNED THE CORNER FROM  
THE MID-TERM ELECTIONS, WE ARE LOOKING VERY HARD AT HOW WE SCHEDULE THE  
SEVERAL POTENTIAL CANDIDATES FROM BOTH SIDES OF THE MAJOR PARTIES IN THE  
NEXT 12 MONTHS BEFORE THE NEW HAMPSHIRE PRIMARY. SO WE WILL BE SETTING  
THIS TABLE FREQUENTLY AS WE TURN INTO THE NEW YEAR. WE DO WELCOME MARK  
HALPREN THE POLITICAL DIRECTOR OF ABC NEWS ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6.  
AND WE WILL BE NOTIFYING YOU OF FUTURE CANDIDATE EVENTS AS THEY ARE  
SCHEDULED. SO WITHOUT FURTHER ADIEU I'D LIKE TO WELCOME JAMES BRETT THE  
PRESIDENT OF THE NEW ENGLAND COUNCIL, OUR GOOD FRIEND.  
[APPLAUSE]

**JAMES BRETT/NEW ENGLAND COUNCIL:** IN A CONGRESSIONAL ELECTIONS  
OF 1994 AMERICA WAS EXPERIENCING SOMETHING VERY DIFFERENT.  
A SERIES OF CLEAR CHALLENGES WERE VOICED AND AN ARRAY OF  
COMMITMENTS WERE DISCUSSED, WRITTEN DOWN AND PUBLISHED AS  
NEVER BEFORE. THIS APPROACH AT FRAMING A WHOLE SERIES OF ISSUES IN THE  
BEDLAM OF THE CAMPAIGN WAS A CALL FOR SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN DIRECTION,  
IF NOT REVOLUTION. ALL EMBODIED IN THE CONTRACT WITH AMERICA.  
THIS WHOLE APPROACH OF USING PLAIN SPEAK TO MAKE THE STATUS  
QUO A NATIONAL ISSUE BY NOT ONLY RAISING THE FAILURES BUT ALSO  
SETTING FORTH THE ROAD MAP FOR CHANGE WAS HISTORIC IN OUR  
POLITICS AS WE KNOW IT. AND AMERICA SAID "YES." WELL, OUR SPEAKER TODAY IS  
WELL-KNOWN AS THE ARCHITECT OF THAT CONTRACT THAT LED THE  
REPUBLICAN PARTY TO VICTORY IN 1994 BY CAPTURING THE MAJORITY  
IN THE UNITED STATES HOUSE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN SOME 40-YEARS.  
AND UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP AS THE SPEAKER, CONGRESS PASSED WELFARE  
REFORM, A BALANCED BUDGET, AND THE FIRST TAX CUT IN 16-YEARS.  
IN ADDITION, CONGRESS RESTORED FUNDING TO STRENGTHEN OUR  
DEFENSE AND INTELLIGENCE CAPABILITIES, AN ACTION LATER  
LAUDED BY THE 9/11 COMMISSION. NEWT GINGRICH WAS FIRST ELECTED  
TO CONGRESS IN 1978 WHERE HE SERVED WITH DISTINCTION IN THE  
6TH DISTRICT OF GEORGIA FOR SOME 20 YEARS. HE WAS ELECTED BY HIS  
COLLEAGUES AS SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE IN 1995 AND SERVED IN THAT ROLE UNTIL  
1999. BUT THERE'S A LOT MORE TO NEWT GINGRICH THAN HIS TIME IN  
CONGRESS AND AS THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE. AN AVID AUTHOR WITH  
PROFICIENCY IN DIVERSE TOPICS, HE'S PUBLISHED NUMEROUS BOOKS INCLUDING  
BEST SELLERS. *CONTRACT WITH AMERICA*, *RENEW AMERICA*, AND HIS MORE RECENT  
BOOK, *WINNING THE FUTURE, A 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY CONTRACT WITH AMERICA*. IN  
DEMONSTRATING HIS EXPERTISE IN MILITARY ISSUES THE SPEAKER

HAS AUTHORED A SERIES OF ACTIVE HISTORY STUDIES IN THE LESSONS OF WARFARE BASED ON A FICTIONAL ACCOUNT OF THE BATTLE OF GETTYSBURG AND ITS AFTERMATH. AND THE FORMER SPEAKER SERVED AS A MEMBER OF THE DEFENSE POLICY BOARD, HE TEACHES A JOINT WAR FIGHTING COURSE FOR MAJOR GENERALS AND TEACHES OFFICERS FROM ALL FIVE SERVICES AS A DISTINGUISHED VISITING SCHOLAR AND PROFESSOR AT THE NATIONAL DEFENSE UNIVERSITY. NEWT GINGRICH HAS ALSO SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION ON NATIONAL SECURITY, CHAIRED BY FORMER SENATORS HART AND RUDMAN THAT EXAMINES THE NATION'S SECURITIES AND CHALLENGES FOR THE NEXT CENTURY. THE FORMER SPEAKER IS THE SON OF A CAREER MILITARY OFFICER. AND BESIDES HIS WORK ON THE DEFENSE ISSUES, THE SPEAKER HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED FOR HIS COMMITMENT TO A BETTER SYSTEM OF HEALTHCARE FOR ALL AMERICANS. AND IN HIS BOOK, SAVING LIVES AND SAVING MONEY, THE SPEAKER DESCRIBES HIS VISION OF A 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY SYSTEM OF HEALTH AND HEALTHCARE THAT IS CENTERED ON THE INDIVIDUAL, PREVENTION-FOCUSED, KNOWLEDGE-INTENSE AND INNOVATION-RICH. TO FOSTER SUCH A HEALTHCARE SYSTEM THAT PROVIDES BETTER OUTCOME AT LOWER COST THE FORMER SPEAKER LAUNCHED THE CENTER FOR HEALTH TRANSFORMATION. NEWT GINGRICH HAS ALSO BEEN A LEADING ADVOCATE OF ONE OF THE NEW ENGLAND COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES WHICH IS TO INCREASE FEDERAL FUNDING FOR BASIC SCIENCE RESEARCH. AND IN FACT, IN 2001 THE SPEAKER WAS THE RECIPIENT OF THE SCIENCE COALITION'S FIRST SCIENCE PIONEER AWARD, GIVEN TO HIM FOR HIS OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO EDUCATING THE PUBLIC ABOUT SCIENCE AND ITS BENEFITS TO SOCIETY. THE SPEAKER WAS TIME MAGAZINE'S MAN OF THE YEAR IN 1995. AND IN THE ARTICLE ABOUT THE SPEAKER, TIME MAGAZINE WROTE, AND I QUOTE, "LEADERS MAKE THINGS POSSIBLE. EXCEPTIONAL LEADERS MAKE THEM INEVITABLE. NEWT GINGRICH BELONGS IN THE CATEGORY OF EXCEPTIONAL." LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, PLEASE JOIN IN GIVING A WARM NEW HAMPSHIRE POLITICS AND EGGS WELCOME TO THE HONORABLE NEWT GINGRICH.  
[APPLAUSE]

**NEWT GINGRICH/FORMER SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE:** THANK YOU ALL VERY, VERY MUCH. AND I AM DELIGHTED TO BE HERE AT THIS NEW HAMPSHIRE TRADITION OF HAVING WOODEN EGGS. AND I WANT TO ASSURE ANY OF YOU WHO HAVE NOT GOTTEN YOUR EGGS SIGNED I'LL BE GLAD TO HANG AROUND AND SIGN. IT I HAD ONE I HAD TO DO FOR MY WIFE. I CALLED HER AND SHE SAID, "REMEMBER, YOU HAVE TO GET ME A WOODEN EGG TO COMMEMORATE THIS." IT'S A FUN PART OF THE PROCESS. YOU DO HAVE TWO HANDOUTS. I USED TO BE A TEACHER AND SO I CAN'T -- THEY WON'T LET ME GIVE EXAMS ANYMORE BUT I AT LEAST CAN OCCASIONALLY GIVE HANDOUTS. YOU HAVE TWO. ONE IS A NEWSLETTER WHICH I DID ON MONDAY. EVERY MONDAY MORNING I DO A POLICY NEWSLETTER, WHICH YOU CAN GET JUST BY GOING TO MY FIRST NAME, NEWT.ORG. THIS MONDAY I WROTE ON THE BAKER HAMILTON COMMISSION, SORT OF A BENCH PARK OF THINKING ABOUT WHERE WE ARE IN THE MIDDLE EAST. AND THEN THE OTHER PAPER'S AN OUTLINE OF WHERE I THINK WE ARE IN GENERAL TERMS. I THINK THAT THIS IS A VERY, VERY IMPORTANT TIME IN AMERICAN HISTORY. I THINK OVER THE NEXT 20-YEARS OR SO WE WILL FACE MORE CHALLENGES THAN AT ANY TIME SINCE THE CIVIL WAR. I THINK YOU REALLY HAVE TO GO BACK TO APRIL OF 1861 AND LOOK AT ALL THE DIFFERENT CHALLENGES ABRAHAM LINCOLN WAS FACED WITH TO SEE SOMETHING COMPARABLE TO THE WAVE OF DECISIONS COMING DOWN THE ROAD.

AND IT'S PARTLY BECAUSE LIFE DOESN'T OCCUR, YOU KNOW, IN A SERIAL FORM. YOU'RE NOT ALLOWED TO SAY, WELL, I'LL DO NUMBER ONE AND THREE BUT COULD FOUR, 17, 19 AND 22 COME BACK NEXT YEAR. SO I THINK WHAT WE'RE GOING TO SEE IS A POLITICAL PROCESS WHICH HAS BECOME INCREASINGLY DYSFUNCTIONAL IS SUDDENLY GOING TO CONFRONT AN ENTIRE SERIES OF DECISIONS THAT REQUIRES US TO TALK TOGETHER AS A PEOPLE AND TO MAKE DECISIONS ON A VERY LARGE SCALE. AND WE'RE GOING TO FIND THIS TO BE VERY CHALLENGING. AND SO I WAS DELIGHTED TO HAVE A CHANCE TO COME HERE TODAY AND OUTLINE WHAT I THINK THE SCALE OF THIS IS. YOU KNOW, THE 2006 ELECTION I THINK WAS ESSENTIALLY A PERFORMANCE ELECTION.

AND I THINK THAT BOTH PARTIES COME OUT OF IT WITH SOME VERY INTERESTING CHALLENGES. ON THE PART OF THE REPUBLICANS, I THINK THAT THEY REALLY HAVE TWO BIG CHALLENGES. THE FIRST IS TO JUST CONFRONT THE FACT THAT THEY WERE DEFEATED. I MEAN, I WATCHED THE DEMOCRATS AFTER 1994 GET VERY ANGRY AT ME BECAUSE I HAD CLEARLY CHEATED BECAUSE THEY WERE SUPPOSED TO BE IN POWER. AND IF THEY WEREN'T IN POWER IT WAS MY FAULT. AND THEY SPENT ABOUT A DECADE IN DENIAL. AND THEY COULDN'T COME TO GRIPS WITH THE MODERN WORLD. NOW, ONE OF THE THINGS YOU HAVE TO SAY FOR NANCY PELOSI AND RON EMMANUEL IS THEY ACTUALLY WENT OUT AND SAID, LOOK, IF YOU WANT TO BE A RIGHT OF CENTER CHRISTIAN DEMOCRAT WHO DOESN'T BELIEVE IN SAN FRANCISCO VALUES, FINE. IF YOU CAN WIN IN NORTH CAROLINA OR INDIANA, WE'LL HELP FINANCE YOU. IF YOU LOOK AT THEIR MARGINAL RACES THERE WERE PEOPLE WHO DO NOT AT ALL REFLECT THE HOWARD DEAN-NANCY PELOSI WORLD VIEW. BUT IT TOOK THEM A DECADE TO COME TO GRIPS WITH THE FACT DESPITE ZELL MILLER HAVING WRITTEN A BOOK AND TALKED TO THEM IN CONFERENCE AND SUGGESTED THERE WAS KIND OF A GAP IN THE PEOPLE THEY COULD REACH OUT TO. SO THE FIRST THING REPUBLICANS HAVE TO DO IS STOP AND REALLY ASK THEMSELVES, WHAT WAS THIS ELECTION ABOUT AND HOW DID WE FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 1994 LOSE THE MAJORITY IN STATE LEGISLATURES, LOSE THE MAJORITY IN GOVERNORS, LOSE THE MAJORITY IN THE HOUSE AND LOSE THE MAJORITY IN THE SENATE? NOW, IF THAT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE A DEFEAT -- [LAUGHTER] THEN WHAT'S 2008 AND 2010 GOING TO BE LIKE?

IT'S PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT IN NEW ENGLAND WHERE ONLY 1 OUT OF 24 REPRESENTATIVES IS A REPUBLICAN. AND IT REQUIRES -- THERE'S A POINT WHERE IF YOU'RE IN BUSINESS AND THE MARKET KEEPS REJECTING YOU MAYBE IT'S NOT THE MARKET. [LAUGHTER]

SO I THINK THE REPUBLICANS REALLY HAVE SOME VERY FUNDAMENTAL QUESTIONS TO ASK THEMSELVES ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED IN THIS ELECTION AND WHY IT WAS SO DIFFERENT. THE SECOND THING REPUBLICANS HAVE TO DO, I THINK, IS COME TO GRIPS WITH THE FACT THAT THEY ARE QUINTESENTIALLY THE PARTY OF CHANGING GOVERNMENT, NOT THE PARTY OF DEFENDING IT. AND I THINK THERE'S NO BETTER EXAMPLE OF THIS THAN KATRINA. KATRINA WAS A FIASCO. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FAILED, THE STATE GOVERNMENT FAILED, THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS FAILED AND CITIZENSHIP FAILED IN THE NINTH WARD WHERE 22,000 PEOPLE WERE SO LACKING IN DISCIPLINE, ORGANIZATION AND COMPETENCE THAT THEY COULDN'T GET OUT OF THE WAY OF A HURRICANE. NOW, THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN A CAUSE FOR THE COUNTRY TO STOP AND GO, WELL, WE GOT A LOT OF CHANGES TO MAKE. INSTEAD WE WERE TOLD "BROWNIE, YOU'RE DOING A GREAT JOB" WHICH NOBODY IN THE COUNTRY BELIEVED. WELL, MAYBE BROWNIE'S MOTHER. [LAUGHTER]

BUT THIS IS A VERY SUBSTANTIAL PROBLEM FOR REPUBLICANS. THE REPUBLICAN COALITION ARE THE PEOPLE WHO WANT A SMALLER WASHINGTON, A MORE LIMITED GOVERNMENT, AND DRAMATICALLY MORE EFFECTIVE GOVERNMENT -- THEY DON'T WANT DEMOCRACY DEFENDED NO MATTER HOW INCOMPETENT IT IS. THIS POSES A GREAT PROBLEM FOR REPUBLICANS. THE DEMOCRATS HAVE I THINK THREE CHALLENGES.

THE FIRST IS CAN THEY FIND A NATIONAL SECURITY STRATEGY WHICH MAKES SENSE IN THE MODERN WORLD? AND I THINK THEY'RE DEEPLY SPLIT OVER THIS BETWEEN A FRACTION THAT SAYS BASICALLY "YOU CAN AFFORD TO LEAVE IRAQ, YOU CAN AFFORD TO NOT WORRY ABOUT THESE THINGS, YOU CAN AFFORD TO BE FRIENDS WITH IRAN'S PRESIDENT. BECAUSE IF WE ALL HAVE COFFEE TOGETHER THINGS WILL BE FINE. AND JOE LIEBERMAN'S STRATEGY THAT SAYS THE WORLD'S A DANGEROUS PLACE AND THESE GUYS WANT TO KILL US. THIS DOESN'T MEAN DEFENDING STAYING THE COURSE, IT DOES MEAN FIGURING OUT A NEW SOLUTION. THE FIRST TEST OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY IN THE SERIOUS PARTY OF THE 21st CENTURY IS GOING TO BE OVER THE SURVIVAL OF THE UNITED STATES. THE SECOND TEST I THINK IS WHETHER THEY ARE SO MUCH THE PARTY OF INTEREST GROUPS THAT THEY CANNOT DEAL WITH PERFORMANCE. FOR EXAMPLE, THE DETROIT PUBLIC SCHOOLS GRADUATE 21% OF THEIR ENTERING FRESHMEN ON TIME. THAT MEANS THEY ARE CHEATING FOUR OUT OF EVERY FIVE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WALK INTO THOSE CLASSROOMS. NOW, IS THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY PREPARED TO SAY THAT CHILDREN MATTER MORE THAN THE UNION AND THE BUREAUCRACY? BECAUSE IF THEY DON'T IN THE LONG RUN THEY CAN'T GOVERN THE COUNTRY ANY MORE THAN THE REPUBLICANS CAN. THE THIRD CHALLENGE FOR DEMOCRATS IS TO ACTUALLY MANAGE INTERNALLY THIS DIALOGUE WE'RE GOING THROUGH ABOUT THE NATURE OF AMERICAN CIVILIZATION AND WHETHER OR NOT IN FACT WE'RE GOING TO BECOME A MULTICULTURAL, MULTILINGUAL, HIGHLY CONFUSED SOCIETY OR WHETHER WE'RE GOING TO REASSERT AMERICAN CIVILIZATION. IN MY JUDGMENT THAT'S GOING TO BE THE LARGEST ISSUE OF THE NEXT 20 YEARS DOMESTICALLY AND IT WILL BE ONE THAT WILL EVOLVE IN WAYS THAT NOBODY CAN PREDICT TODAY. AND THE DEMOCRATS WILL HAVE A VERY GREAT CHALLENGE. AND THEIR ANSWER IN THE LAST 20-YEARS WAS TO DRIVE OUT PEOPLE WHO IN FACT FAVORED ENGLISH AS A LANGUAGE, FAVORED GOD AS THE CENTER OF AMERICAN RIGHTS, AND FAVORED A MORE CONSERVATIVE TRADITIONAL ORGANIZATION SUCH AS, FOR EXAMPLE, MARRIAGE. AND IT WILL BE INTERESTING TO SEE HOW WITH A SPEAKER FROM SAN FRANCISCO, HOW THE DEMOCRATS IN THE HOUSE COPE WITH THE GENUINE LEGITIMATE DIALOGUE GOING ON WITH THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WITH THESE ISSUES. SO THAT'S WHERE WE ARE AFTER THE ELECTION.

I THINK WE'RE IN A FASCINATING PERIOD THAT TRANSCENDS THE ELECTION, HOWEVER. AND WHAT I WANT TO SUGGEST TO YOU IS ESSENTIALLY TWO BIG OPPORTUNITIES AND THREE CHALLENGES. THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY IS THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE FOUR TO SEVEN TIMES AS MUCH NEW SCIENCE IN THE NEXT 25-YEARS AS WE HAD IN THE LAST 25-YEARS. AND THAT IS A SCALE OF SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE THAT'S ALMOST UNMANAGEABLE. THERE ARE MORE SCIENTISTS ALIVE THAN IN ALL OF PREVIOUS HUMAN HISTORY.

EVERY YEAR THEY GET BETTER COMPUTERS AND BETTER INSTRUMENTS. THEY'RE CONNECTED BY E-MAIL AND BY CELL PHONES SO THEY ARE SPREADING KNOWLEDGE MUCH MORE RAPIDLY THAN EVER BEFORE IN HISTORY. WE'RE THEN CONNECTED BY LICENSING VENTURE CAPITAL AND

ROYALTIES TO THE COMMERCIAL MARKET AND THEN CONNECTED TO CHINA AND INDIA AS RESERVE CENTERS OF PRODUCTION. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE WAVES OF NEW SCIENCE. THE ONLY QUESTION WILL BE WHETHER THOSE WAVES COME FROM AMERICA OR THOSE WAVES COME FROM OTHER COUNTRIES. BUT THEY'RE GOING TO COME. AND IT POSES A LOT OF CHALLENGES FOR US, THE FIRST OF WHICH IS OUR OWN INVESTMENT IN MATH AND SCIENCE EDUCATION, AND THE SECOND OF WHICH IS OUR INVESTMENT IN BASIC RESEARCH. BUT IT'S GOING TO BE AMAZING UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE. FOUR QUICK EXAMPLES -- AND LET ME JUST GIVE YOU AS A HISTORIAN, IF WE HAVE FOUR TIMES AS MUCH CHANGE IN THE NEXT 25-YEARS, IF YOU WERE AT A MEETING TRYING TO THINK ABOUT NEW ENGLAND IN 2031 -- WHICH IS NOT A DISTANT TIME WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT AN ENTIRE REGION -- IF IT'S FOUR TIMES AS MUCH KNOWLEDGE IT'S AS THOUGH YOU HAD A MEETING IN 1880 TRYING TO EXPLAIN THIS SESSION. 1880 IS PRE-AUTOMOBILE, PRE-AIRLINE, PRE-MOTION PICTURE, PRE-LIGHT, PRE-LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE, PRE-BLACKBERRY, I-POD, CABLE TELEVISION.

HOW WOULD YOU EXPLAIN TO ME? HOWEVER, IF THERE'S SEVEN TIMES AS MUCH NEW KNOWLEDGE, THEN IT'S AS THOUGH YOU WERE HANGING OUT IN 1660 WITH SIR ISAAC NEWTON TRYING TO DISCOVER CALCULUS. NOBODY IN THE PLANET UNDERSTANDS HOW YOU ABSORB INFORMATION AT THIS RATE.

FOUR QUICK EXAMPLES OF THE NEAR FUTURE:

ONE, WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO FIND A VACCINE FOR ALZHEIMER'S WHICH WILL CHANGE THE ENTIRE TRAJECTORY OF AGING FOR THE BABY BOOM GENERATION AND DRAMATICALLY ELIMINATE A MAJOR CAUSE OF HUMAN SUFFERING AND DRAMATICALLY HELP THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR WHICH ALZHEIMER'S WILL BE A TRILLION DOLLAR ITEM IN THE BABY BOOM GENERATION.

TWO, WE SHOULD HAVE A CONTEST AMONG THE 50 STATES TO SEE WHICH ONE BECOMES THE FIRST ONE IN WHICH EVERYONE IN CANCER SURVIVES. WE ARE ON A -- YOU GO TO THE NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE HOME PAGE -- AND IT -- SAYS WE COULD DO IT IN 50 YEARS. NOBODY IN POLITICAL WASHINGTON COULD FIGURE OUT THIS WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA SO NOTHING HAS BEEN DONE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS. BUT IN FACT IT IS AN ENORMOUS OPPORTUNITY TO ELIMINATE PAIN AND SUFFERING AND EXTEND LIFE FOR A SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE.

THREE, WE OUGHT TO HAVE A NATIONAL PROJECT TO ACQUIRE AN AUTOMOBILE WHICH ESSENTIALLY MAKES THE MIDDLE EAST IRRELEVANT. THERE ARE ALTERNATIVE FORMS OF ENERGY WHETHER IT IS A BIOFUEL OR RENEWABLE FUELS OR HYDROGEN. BUT IF YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE THE SCALE OF SCIENTIFIC CHANGE I'M DESCRIBING, THE COMBINATION OF A MUCH LIGHTER CAR USING THE KIND OF MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY THAT BOEING IS USING, FOR EXAMPLING, IN THE 787 DREAM LINE, LITERALLY CREATING MUCH LIGHTER CARS MUCH MORE DURABLE WITH MUCH LIGHTER FRAMEWORKS SO YOU HAVE MUCH MORE EFFICIENCY COMBINED WITH DIFFERENT KINDS OF FUELS, COMBINED WITH ELECTRIC DRIVES, FOR EXAMPLE. NOW, THERE IS ZERO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR US TO FIND A MASS-PRODUCED REPLACE IN THE FOR THE CURRENT GASOLINE ENGINE SOMETIME IN THE NEXT 10 TO 15 YEARS. AND THAT WOULD BE A VERY MAJOR BREAKTHROUGH FOR THE ENVIRONMENT, A VERY MAJOR BREAKTHROUGH FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AND A VERY MAINLY BREAKTHROUGH FOR OUR ECONOMY.

FOURTH, WE SHOULD BE RETHINKING THE ENTIRE CONCEPT OF LEARNING BECAUSE WE HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO INVENT INDIVIDUALIZED INSTRUCTIONAL SYSTEMS OF ENORMOUS POWER USING MASSIVE COMPUTERIZATION. YOU LOOK AT HOW MANY HOURS KIDS PLAY PLAYING GAMES TODAY AND LOOK AT HOW LITTLE WE REWARD THEM FOR PLAYING GAMES THAT ALLOW THEM TO LEARN FASTER. BUT IF YOU RETHOUGHT THE ENTIRE SYSTEM OF LEARNING AROUND THE QUESTION "HOW CAN I OPTIMIZE THE RATE AT WHICH YOU LEARN, ALLOW YOU TO LEARN WHAT YOU NEED TO LEARN WHEN YOU NEED TO DO IT AND CREATE IT SO IT IS CONVENIENT TO YOU RATHER THAN THE TEACHER AND THE BUREAUCRACY YOU'D HAVE A TOTALLY DIFFERENT -- IT'S NOT ABOUT CHILDHOOD LEFT BEHIND, IT'S ABOUT A 21ST CENTURY MODEL OF LEARNING THAT IS FUNDAMENTALLY DIFFERENT." TRYING TO PAINT FOR YOU A PICTURE THAT I THINK IS NOT SCIENCE FICTION. IF YOU LOOK AT SCIENCE AND NATURE MAGAZINES EVERY WEEK YOU'LL SEE THE GLIMMERINGS OF THIS DAY AFTER DAY, NEW IDEAS COMING FORTH. WE HAVE A SECOND HUGE ADVANTAGE. THIS IS THE MOST SUCCESSFUL CIVILIZATION IN HISTORY.

MORE HUMAN BEINGS FROM MORE BACKGROUNDS WORK TOGETHER TO SOLVE PROBLEMS, TO CREATE WEALTH AND TO DEVELOP A BETTER FUTURE THAN ANY SOCIETY IN THE HISTORY OF THE WORLD. WE CAN ABSORB PEOPLE FROM EVERYWHERE. IF ANY OF YOU SAW ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER INTERVIEW ON SUNDAY MORNING. YOU CAN GROW UP IN A SMALL VILLAGE IN AUSTRIA WHERE YOU HAD ZERO POSSIBILITY OF BECOMING A MILLIONAIRE AND ZERO POSSIBILITY OF BECOMING A POLITICAL LEADER AND YOU CAN 35 OR 40 YEARS LATER BE A MULTIMILLIONAIRE OF WORLDWIDE FAME GOVERNING THE LARGEST STATE IN THE UNITED STATES. NOW, THIS IS A SOCIETY STUNNINGLY OPEN TO TALENT AND STUNNINGLY CAPABLE OF BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER. WE WERE TALKING WITH A YOUNG LADY LAST NIGHT WHO WAS A POLITICAL REFUGEE FROM KOSOVO WHO SPEAKS ENGLISH, WORKS FOR A LIVING, HOPES TO GET HER CITIZENSHIP IN TWO MORE YEARS AND IS TOTALLY COMMITTED TO BECOMING AN AMERICAN. AND THE NEXT TIME YOU READ A POLL ABOUT HOW MUCH PEOPLE DON'T LIKE AMERICA, JUST REMEMBER, MOST OF THE PEOPLE WHO ARE ANSWERING THE POLLS HAVE APPLIED FOR A VISA. [LAUGHTER]

THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO WANT TO COME TO THE U.S. TO PURSUE HAPPINESS, TO CREATE A BETTER FUTURE, TO EARN MORE MONEY IS BREATHTAKING. AND IT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR US TO REMEMBER THIS BECAUSE WE HAVE A CORE ARGUMENT IN THE UNITED STATES. BEING AMERICAN IS A CULTURALLY LEARNED PHENOMENON. YOU'RE NOT GENETICALLY AN AMERICAN OR GEOGRAPHICALLY AN AMERICAN. YOU'RE AMERICAN BECAUSE YOU LEARN A COMPLEX SET OF BEHAVIORS THAT WORK. AND WE NEED TO RETURN OUR SCHOOLS TO TEACHING THOSE COMPLEX BEHAVIORS. AND THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO TEACH THEM IS BY STARTING WITH AMERICAN HISTORY. AND IF YOU GET A CHANCE, GO TO MOUNT VERNON AND LOOK AT THE NEW EDUCATION CENTER THERE FOR GEORGE WASHINGTON AND CONTRAST THAT WITH THE PABLUM MOST OF OUR CHILDREN ARE GETTING TODAY. BECAUSE WASHINGTON IN FACT WAS A GENUINE HEROIC FIGURE AND HIS LIFE HAS MUCH TO TEACH ALL OF US. AND IT'S A GREAT EXAMPLE WHAT CAN BE DONE WITH TECHNOLOGY TO BRINGING TO LIFE THE PAST AND MAKING IT VERY, VERY EXCITING. NOW, WITH THESE TWO GREAT OPPORTUNITIES, SCIENCE AND OUR CULTURE, WE HAVE I THINK THREE GREAT CHALLENGES. WE SHOULD SEE IN THESE CHALLENGES -- THESE ARE ALL THREE -- WE CAN SUCCEED WITH ALL

THREE.

THE FIRST CHALLENGE IS TO COMPETE WITH CHINA AND INDIA ECONOMICALLY. AND WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND, THIS IS THE FIRST TRULY DIRECT CHALLENGE TO US SINCE BEFORE THE CIVIL WAR. FROM THE CIVIL WAR ON WE WERE THE LARGEST INDUSTRIAL ECONOMY IN THE WORLD WE'RE NOW GOING TO FACE TWO COUNTRIES WITH OVER A BILLION PEOPLE EACH WHO ARE GOING TO WANT TO COME AND PLAY. THEY THINK ALLOWED TO PURSUE HAPPINESS, TOO. THEY WANT TO ROLL UP THEIR SLEEVES AND WORK HARD. OUR ANSWER SHOULD NOT BE RUNNING AND HIDING AND ACCEPTING ELEGANT DECAY AS A REASONABLE FUTURE. OUR ANSWER OUGHT TO BE TO ROLL UP OUR SLEEVES AND SAY, FINE, WHAT DOES IT TAKE -- I HAVE TWO GRANDCHILDREN. MAGGIE'S SEVEN, ROBERT'S FIVE. WHAT'S IT GOING TO TAKE FOR THEM TO LIVE IN THE BEST WEALTH-CREATING, HIGHEST-PAYING CULTURE IN THE WORLD? YOU HAVE TO TRANSFORM SIX THINGS AND THEY'RE BIG. LITIGATION, REGULATION, TAXATION, EDUCATION, HEALTH AND ENERGY. GOING TO BE A LOT OF WORK. THIS IS WHY I THINK WE'RE FACED WITH MORE CHALLENGES THAN ANY GENERATION SINCE LINCOLN. ON THE OTHER HAND, IT'S DOABLE. AND IN EVERY CASE IT'S ABOUT JOBS.

SO WHEN ALL OF OUR FRIENDS TO THE LEFT TALK ABOUT JOBS WE'RE GOING TO SAY, YOU'RE RIGHT. THAT'S EXACTLY WHY WE NEED LITIGATION REFORM. LITIGATION REFORM IS JOB CREATOR. THE CURRENT LAWYER RUN SYSTEM IS A JOB KILLER. YOU WANT TO SEND SIGNALS TO YOUNG PEOPLE, GO BECOME A LAWYER. DON'T BECOME A DOCTOR, SCIENTIST OR ENGINEER, KEEP THE CURRENT SYSTEM. BUT BY THE WAY 20-YEARS FROM NOW WHEN THERE ARE NO AMERICAN ENGINEERS DON'T LOOK AND SAY, GEE, HOW DID THAT HAPPEN? WE HAVE BUILT A SYSTEM WHICH REWARDS LITIGATION, REWARDS CONFLICT, REWARDS GREED. AND THEN WE WONDER WHY WE DON'T HAVE PEOPLE WHO ARE OUT HERE IN A POSITIVE, OPTIMISTIC WAY TRYING TO BE CREATIVE, TAKING BIG RISKS. BECAUSE THEY'RE GOING TO GET SUED. VERY FUNDAMENTAL QUESTION. SECOND, JUST APPLY A COMMON SENSE REGULATORY TEST. WE FOUGHT THE ENTIRE SECOND WORLD WAR IN LESS THAN FOUR YEARS ON THE AMERICAN SIDE. FROM PEARL HARBOR ON DECEMBER 7, 1941 TO VICTORY OVER JAPAN IN SEPTEMBER OF 1945 WAS LESS THAN FOUR YEARS. IT TOOK 22-YEARS TO ADD A RUNWAY IN ATLANTA. [LAUGHTER]

AND THAT'S JUST STUPID. IT'S ONE THING TO SAY YOU WANT TO HAVE SOUND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROLS. WHICH DO I. I USED TO TEACH ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES. THERE'S ANOTHER THING: TO SAY LET'S DRAG THAT OUT TO WHERE IT'S PROHIBITIVELY EXPENSIVE.

IT'S TO APPLY A COMMON TEST TO EVERY REGULATORY SYSTEM IN THE COUNTRY TO MAKE SURE THE GOAL IS ACHIEVED BUT NOT BY STUNNINGLY EXPENSIVE AND ENCUMBERING PROCESSES.

THIRD, TAXATION.

IT'S NOT COMPLICATED.

YOU WANT TO DRAMATICALLY INCENTIVIZE SAVINGS AND DRAMATICALLY INCENTIVIZE INVESTMENT BECAUSE YOU WANT AMERICAN WORKS TO SYSTEMS IN THE WORLD SO YOU WANT TO WRITE OFF EVERY NEW INVESTMENT IN THE YEAR. YOU HAVE THE HIGHEST RATE OF INVESTING IN THE WORLD SO THAT AMERICAN WORKERS HAVE THE HIGHEST RATE OF INVESTMENT IN THE WORLD IN A TIME OF DRAMATIC CHANGE WE WILL HAVE ENORMOUS ADVANTAGE OVER OUR COMPETITORS. THAT SHOULD BE A CONSCIOUS GOAL. WHAT I THINK WE HAVE TO HAVE IS A MODEL THAT SAYS WE ARE GOING TO OUTCOMPETE THE CHINESE AND INDIANS, NOT HIDE FROM THEM. THE SECOND GREAT CHALLENGE IS TO REASSERT

AMERICAN CIVILIZATION, A COUPLE OF VERY SIMPLE TESTS. EVERY CHILD STARTING THE FIRST GRADE SHOULD ACTUALLY LEARN AMERICAN HISTORY. IT SHOULD BE A MAJOR COMPONENT OF EDUCATION IN AMERICA BECAUSE IT IS A FORM OF MORAL EDUCATION. AND THEY SHOULD LEARN ABOUT PEOPLE LIKE WASHINGTON AND LINCOLN AND HOW THIS COUNTRY GREW UP.

AND THEY SHOULD LEARN ABOUT OUR WEAKNESSES BUT ALSO OUR STRENGTHS. BECAUSE IT'S THE COMBINATION OF OUR WEAKNESSES AND STRENGTHS THAT HAVE MADE US THE MOST CREATIVE COUNTRY IN THE HISTORY OF HUMAN ACTIVITY.

I THINK THAT'S TECHNICALLY THE CORRECT STATEMENT.

SECOND, I WANT TO SAY

UNEQUIVOCALLY, WE WANT TO REASSERT ENGLISH IS THE GOVERNING LANGUAGE OF THIS COUNTRY AND EVERY PERSON IN AMERICA SHOULD LEARN ENGLISH. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR US TO REASSERT THAT WE ARE A SINGLE COUNTRY.

PEOPLE CAN COME HERE FROM EVERYWHERE BUT THEY COME HERE TO BECOME AMERICAN, THEY DON'T COME HERE TO CHANGE AMERICA INTO A SYSTEM RADICALLY DIFFERENT THAN THE ONE WHICH HAS BEEN SUCCESSFUL.

I THINK THAT'S A VERY IMPORTANT DEBATE WE NEED AS A COUNTRY. THIRD, I JUST PUBLISHED A BOOK CALLED "REDISCOVERING GOD IN AMERICA" WHICH IS MY RESPONSE TO THE NINTH CIRCUIT COURT SAYING THAT ONE NATION UNDER GOD IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL AS PART OF THE PLEDGE, WHICH I REGARD AS A DECISION SO GROTESQUELY OUT OF TOUCH WITH AMERICA THAT IT IS IN FACT A GOOD REASON TO CONTEMPLATE ABOLISHING THE NINTH CIRCUIT AND REAPPOINTING THEM. THIS IS NUTS.

THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE SAYS FLATLY, "WE ARE ENDOWED BY OUR CREATOR WITH CERTAIN UNALIENABLE RIGHTS, AMONG WHICH ARE LIFE, LIBERTY AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS."

THIS IS THE HEART OF THE AMERICAN MODEL. POWER COMES FROM GOD TO YOU PERSONALLY. YOU THEN LOAN SOME OF THAT POWER TO THE STATE. WE ARE THE ONLY SOCIETY IN HISTORY WHICH SAYS THE INDIVIDUAL IS SOVEREIGN AND THE STATE IS SUBORDINATE.

AND IF WE GIVE THAT UP ON BEHALF OF SOME SECULAR THEORETICAL MODEL WE ARE IN BIG TROUBLE IN THE FUTURE.

THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT TO THE HISTORICAL BASE OF AMERICA, WHY WE BECAME SO SUCCESSFUL, WHY OUR RIGHTS ARE SO SOLID AS COMPARED TO VIRTUALLY EVERY OTHER COUNTRY IN THE WORLD.

LOOK AT THE ASSASSINATION OF THE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC LEADER IN LEBANON LAST WEEK.

LOOK AT THE ASSASSINATION OF THE RUSSIAN LIVING IN BRITAIN IN THE LAST WEEK.

LOOK AT HOW GOVERNMENTS PREY UPON PEOPLE ALL AROUND THE PLANET.

AND THEN LOOK AT HOW MANY LIBERTIES WE HAVE PRESERVED FOR OVER 225 YEARS.

IT IS NOT AN ACCIDENT.

BUT WE SHOULDN'T THROW OUT THE CORE OF OUR BELIEF SYSTEM CAPRICIOUSLY BECAUSE OF A MODERN SECULAR THEORY FROM EUROPE THAT IS FUNDAMENTALLY WRONG IN THE AMERICAN HISTORIC TRADITION. LASTLY WE HAVE TO COME TO GRIPS WITH THE FACT THAT WE HAVE REAL ENEMIES.

I DON'T KNOW ANY BETTER WAY TO SAY THIS THAN THE FOLLOWING:

THIS SUMMER THE BRITISH ARRESTED A COUPLE AS PART OF A PLOT TO DESTROY TEN AIRLINERS.

THIS COUPLE WAS GOING TO USE THEIR BABY IN ORDER TO DISGUISE THE BOMB AS BABY MILK.

NOW, IF I COME TO YOU AND SAY THAT ACROSS THE PLANET THERE ARE YOUNG MALES BETWEEN 15 AND 25 WHO ARE WILLING TO DIE AS LONG AS THEY CAN KILL YOU, I'M JUST DESCRIBING WARRIOR CULTURES WHICH HAVE EXISTED FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS.

BUT IF I TELL YOU THAT THERE IS A COUPLE WHO HATES YOU SO MUCH THAT THEY ARE PREPARED TO KILL THEIR 6-MONTH-OLD BABY AS LONG AS THEY CAN KILL YOU, THAT IS A LEVEL OF FEROCITY WE HAVE NOT COME TO GRIPS WITH.

I CAN SHOW YOU QUOTE AFTER QUOTE FROM WEBSITE AFTER WEBSITE ABOUT OUR ENEMY'S DESIRE TO GET NUCLEAR AND BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS AND USE THEM.

CANE SHOW YOU QUOTE AFTER QUOTE FROM THE DICTATOR OF IRAN WHO SAYS PUBLICLY ON TELEVISION, "I WANT TO DEFEAT—WE MUST DEFEAT THE ANGLO-SAXONS AND ELIMINATE ISRAEL FROM THE FACE OF THE EARTH."

AND I ASK YOU, GO TO ANY CITIZEN IN THIS STATE AND ASK THEM, WHAT DO THEY THINK THAT SENTENCE MEANS?

LET ME REPEAT IT.

"WE MUST DEFEAT THE ANGLO-SAXONS AND ELIMINATE ISRAEL FROM THE FACE OF THE EARTH."

NOW, HOW HARD DO YOU HAVE TO DENY A REALITY TO SAY, WELL, LET'S NEGOTIATE. WE MUST HAVE A MISUNDERSTANDING HERE.

WE DON'T HAVE A MISUNDERSTANDING.

WE HAVE ENEMIES.

KIM JONG IL IS AN EVIL DICTATOR. HE AND HIS FATHER HAVE RUN NORTH KOREA SINCE 1946.

THEY KNOW EXACTLY WHAT THEY'RE DOING.

THEY'RE WINNING.

THE PEOPLE OF NORTH KOREA ARE LOSING AND THEY WANT NUCLEAR WEAPONS TO STOP US.

WHEN THEY GET NUCLEAR WEAPONS THEY ARE GOING TO SELL THEM. IT'S NOT COMPLICATED.

IT'S JUST FRIGHTENING.

THE IRANIAN LEADER REPRESENTS A RELIGIOUS MOVEMENT WHICH DEEPLY BELIEVES THEY CAN BRING ABOUT THE END OF TIME IF THERE'S ENOUGH BLOODSHED AND THEY SAY THIS.

THERE ARE QUOTES WHICH SAY WHAT A GLORIOUS THING IT WOULD BE TO BE A NATION OF MARTYRS.

PEOPLE WHO TRY TO DESCRIBE THE MODEL OF CONTAINMENT FROM THE SOVIET EMPIRE PERIOD TOTALLY MISUNDERSTAND THE THREAT. THE SOVIET UNION WAS AN ATHEIST DICTATORSHIP.

BY DEFINITION ATHEISTS CAN'T CREATE MARTYRS BECAUSE THERE IS NO PLACE TO GO. [LAUGHTER]

WHEN YOU DIE IN A COMMUNIST SYSTEM YOU ARE DEAD.

[LAUGHTER]

THE IRANIANS ACTUALLY HAVE A WEBSITE WHERE YOU CAN SIGN UP FOR SUICIDE BOMBER SCHOOL. OUR ELITES JUST DON'T WANT TO CONFRONT HOW FRIGHTENING THIS IS.

AND WE HAVE BEEN LOSING GROUND. SO I URGE YOU TO LOOK AT THE PAPER I DID MONDAY ON THE BAKER-HAMILTON COMMISSION AND THINK SERIOUSLY ABOUT THIS. THE STATE DEPARTMENT IN APRIL OF THIS YEAR SAID THE LEADING SPONSOR OF STATE TERRORISM ON THE PLANET IS IRAN, THE NUMBER TWO SPONSOR IS SYRIA.

WE JUST SAW THE SYRIANS KILL A CHRISTIAN DEMOCRAT LEADER IN LEBANON LAST WEEK.

AND NOBODY DOUBTS WHO KILLED HIM.

JUST AS A YEAR AGO THEY KILLED HERERI WHO IS AN ANTI-SYRIAN, LEBANESE LEADER.

WE JUST SAW PUTIN'S GOVERNMENT ALMOST CERTAINLY KILL A RUSSIAN LIVING IN GREAT BRITAIN.

NOW, AT WHAT POINT DO WE WAKE UP AND SAY, YEAH, THIS IS LIKE THE 1930'S.

YES, THERE IS A WORLDWIDE ALLIANCE.

YES, THESE ARE EVIL MEN.

AND YES, IF WE DON'T FIND A WAY TO DEFEAT THEM THEY ARE GOING TO DESTROY OUR WAY OF LIFE. I THINK THIS IS A VERY SERIOUS CHALLENGE FOR AMERICA.

IT'S ONE WE CAN OVERCOME. I MEAN, THE TRUTH IS, IF WE FOCUS ON IT AND WE'RE SERIOUS ABOUT IT WE HAVE OVERWHELMING CAPABILITY TO WIN THIS CAMPAIGN. BUT NOT IF WE ARE CONFUSED ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON AND NOT IF WE FOCUS ONLY ON ONE PIECE AT A TIME.

THIS IS AN EMERGING WORLDWIDE THREAT THAT PEOPLE WHO ROUTINELY TALK TO EACH OTHER ABOUT HOW TO DEFEAT THE UNITED STATES. AND WE NEED TO HAVE A COMPARABLE WORLDWIDE RESPONSE THAT BASICALLY SAYS, YOU KNOW, WE REPLACED NAUGHT SAID GERMANY WITH A DEMOCRATIC GERMANY, IMPERIAL JAPAN WITH A DEMOCRATIC JAPAN, FASCIST ITALY WITH A DEMOCRATIC ITALY.

WE PEACEFULLY REPLACED A SOVIET DICTATORSHIP IN POLAND, ROMAINE YEAH, HUNGARY, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, LATVIA, UKRAINE, GEORGIA.

OK, SO WE HAVE TO DO IT ONE MORE TIME.

BUT OVER THE NEXT 20 OR 25 YEARS WE HAVE TO HAVE AS OUR GOAL FINDING THE MAXIMUM LEVEL OF FREEDOM ON THE PLANET AND BASICALLY DESTROYING THE CAPACITY OF EVIL PEOPLE TO SHATTER CIVILIZATION WITH WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION. THIS IS A SERIOUS CONVERSATION AND WE NEED TO HAVE IT SERIOUSLY.

I'LL CLOSE WITH THIS THOUGHT AND I'LL TAKE QUESTIONS FOR A COUPLE OF MINUTES.

NEW ENGLAND OR NEW HAMPSHIRE AND IOWA AND SOUTH CAROLINA HAVE AN UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO CHANGE THE TONE OF 2008.

I DON'T KNOW ABOUT YOU BUT I'M FAIRLY DISGUSTED WITH THE 2004 AND 2006 CAMPAIGNS.

THEY WERE RELENTLESSLY NEGATIVE, RELENTLESSLY DISHONEST, RELENTLESSLY HOSTILE.

I HAVE A VERY SIMPLE SUGGESTION WHICH I'LL BE MAKING TO THE POLITICAL PARTIES IN BOTH REPUBLICAN AND DEMOCRAT IN ALL THREE STATES: IF WE COULD JUST HAVE TWO CHANGES FOR 2007, TRY TO CREATE THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF BIPARTISAN EVENTS WHERE THERE ARE DEMOCRATS AND REPUBLICANS ON THE SAME STAGE IN FRONT OF THE SAME AUDIENCE AT THE SAME TIME SO THAT YOU JUST TAKE HALF THE POISON OUT BY HAVING PEOPLE IN THE ROOM TOGETHER.

YOU CANNOT BE AS PARTISAN.

YOU CAN'T BE AS EXTREME.

IT'S NOT SUSTAINABLE. AND SECOND, INSTEAD OF DEBATES WITH MICKY MOUSE QUESTIONS AND SOME MODERATOR TRYING TO FIGURE OUT A CLEVER WAY TO GET 30 SECOND ANSWERS, WHAT'S YOUR 30 SECOND SOLUTION FOR IRAQ? LET'S LOOK SERIOUSLY AT SOME MODIFICATION OF THE LINCOLN-DOUGLAS EXPERIENCE AND LET'S HAVE PEOPLE GET TOGETHER AND SAY TO THEM, SO WHAT DO YOU THINK REALLY THREATENS THE COUNTRY AND WHAT WOULD YOU DO ABOUT IT? AND JUST TALK AND HAVE ADULTS ACTUALLY TALK WITH EACH OTHER SO THE DIALOGUE IS BETWEEN THE CANDIDATES, NOT FROM THE CANDIDATE TO THE MODERATOR. YOU'D HAVE A TOTALLY DIFFERENT TONE.

AND AT THE END OF THE YEAR YOU'D HAVE A COUNTRY THAT HAD THOUGHT THROUGH A LOT OF THINGS ON BOTH SIDES THAT IT WOULD NOT GET TO UNDER THE CURRENT DISTORTED, CONSTRUCTIVE AND HIGHLY—

DESTRUCTIVE AND HIGHLY NEGATIVE SYSTEM WE'VE EVOLVED INTO.

**AUDIENCE MEMBER/QUESTION:** I THINK YOU MAKE A LOT OF SENSE AND A LOT OF PEOPLE THINK SO.

I KNOW YOU SAID YOU'RE NOT SURE ABOUT A PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN AND FOR YOURSELF PERSONALLY. I'M CURIOUS, WHO OUT THERE, INCLUDING YOURSELF, BUT EVEN IF IT IS YOU, YOU CLEARLY NEED OTHERS, ARE POTENTIAL LEADERS IN EITHER PARTY OR IN NO PARTY THAT ARE TALKING THE SAME WAY AND HAVE SOME OF THE RIGHT ANSWERS?

**NEWT GINGRICH:** WELL, I MEAN, FIRST OF ALL, WE'RE LAUNCHING A PROJECT CALLED AMERICAN SOLUTIONS WHICH IS DESIGNED TO TAKE THE PRINCIPLES OF THE CONTRACT AND LOOK AT A 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY MODEL THAT IS—I THINK THE SIMPLE WAY TO THINK OF IT IS, TEN TIMES BIGGER THAN THE CONTRACT WAS IN ORDER TO GET THE SCALE OF CHANGE WE NEED OVER THE NEXT 20-YEARS, AND IT NEEDS TO BE ABOUT 50 TIMES BIGGER THAN AN ORGANIZATION CALLED GO PACK THAT I ONCE LED WHICH AT ITS PEAK TAUGHT—WE HAD 53,000 CANDIDATES, ACTIVISTS AND VOLUNTEERS GETTING AUDIO TAPES EVERY MONTH.

I THINK WE NEED TO BE ABOUT 50 TIMES. 511,000 INDEPENDENTLY ELECTED OFFICES OF THE UNITED STATES FROM 17,000 SCHOOL BOARDS, 3300 COUNTIES, ABOUT 60,000 TOWNS AND CITIES, 14,000 STATE LEGISLATORS.

AND I THINK TO GET THE SCALE OF CHANGE I'M DESCRIBING YOU HAVE TO HAVE A WAVE LIKE THE PROGRESSIVE MOVEMENT OR LIKE THE CONSERVATIVE MOVEMENT UNDER REAGAN OR LIKE THE JEFFERSONIANS AT THE END OF THE 18<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY WHERE YOU HAVE LOTS OF PEOPLE INDEPENDENTLY MOVING IN THE SAME DIRECTION.

AT AMERICAN SOLUTIONS EVERYTHING WE DO WE'RE GOING TO ACTUALLY SHARE IT WITH CANDIDATES IN BOTH PARTIES.

I SAW JOHN EDWARDS BRIEFLY. I SAID WE'D LIKE TO SWAP IDEAS WITH HIM.

HE'S VERY DEEPLY ENGAGED IN LOOKING AT POVERTY.

I THINK THAT'S A VERY VERY IMPORTANT TOPIC THAT NEEDS TO BE CONFRONTED WITH NEW EYES AND NEW THOUGHTS.

I'D LOVE TO SWAP IDEAS WITH HIM. SOME OF YOU KNOW I WORKED WITH HILLARY CLINTON ON HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY WHERE WE HAVE A COMMON INTEREST.

I WOULD HOPE THAT IN BOTH PARTIES YOU WOULD HAVE A WILLINGNESS TO LOOK AT HOW COMPLICATED AND DIFFERENT THE CHALLENGES ARE GOING TO BE AND IN BOTH PARTIES YOU'D HAVE A WILLINGNESS TO HAVE A SERIOUS DIALOGUE ABOUT WHERE WE GO AND NOT JUST THE KIND OF POSTURING BY CONSULTANT WRITTEN SPEECHES BASED ON FOCUS GROUPS TO GET THE BEST THREE QUOTES TO BE THE 90 SECOND ANSWER THAT YOU MEMORIZE SO YOU CAN SURVIVE THE DEBATE. I THINK WE'LL SEE OVER THE NEXT SIX OR EIGHT MONTHS WHO CAN DO IT AND WHO CAN'T.

BUT I WOULD SAY YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE THE MOST WIDE OPEN FIELD IN BOTH PARTIES OF ANYTIME, CERTAINLY SINCE 1952 AND MAYBE SINCE 1920.

THIS IS REALLY GOING TO BE A PERIOD OF ENORMOUS OPPORTUNITY. AND I DON'T THINK ANYTHING IS PREORDAINED AT THE PRESENT MOMENT.

**AUDIENCE MEMBER/QUESTION: WOULD YOU SUPPORT A RETURN TO THE DRAFT?**

**NEWT GINGRICH: NO.**

THERE'S A ZERO REASON TO RETURN TO THE DRAFT RIGHT NOW.

IT'S ONE OF THE GREAT MYTHOLOGIES.

FOR EXAMPLE, THERE'S THIS SENSE THAT BECAUSE IT GOES BACK TO THE VIETNAM PERIOD AND TO IDEOLOGICAL ARGUMENTS THAT MILITARY SOMEHOW IS UNREPRESENTATIVE OF AMERICA. BY WHICH PEOPLE NORMALLY MEAN THAT IT IS MORE BLACK, MORE BROWN, POORER.

NONE OF THOSE ARE TRUE.

THE AMERICAN MILITARY TODAY HAS A HIGHER EDUCATION LEVEL THAN THE AVERAGE—FOR ITS AGE GROUP, HAS A HIGHER INCOME BACKGROUND THAN THE AVERAGE FOR ITS AGE GROUP, IS HEALTHIER THAN THE AVERAGE FOR ITS AGE GROUP AND IS VOLUNTEERS MANY OF WHOM RE-ENLIST AT PHENOMENAL RATES.

THE PEOPLE MOST LIKELY TO RE-ENLIST ARE THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN IN IRAQ. BECAUSE THEY ACTUALLY BELIEVE WHAT THEY'RE DOING HAS MORAL PURPOSE AND GIVING MEANING TO DEFENDING AMERICA.

AND SO I THINK WE HAVE TO THINK ABOUT HOW DO WE EXPAND THE MILITARY. MY PERSONAL GUESS IS YOU NEED ABOUT 250,000 MORE IN THE ARMY AND ABOUT 50,000 MORE IN THE MARINE CORPS.

BUT THAT I THINK YOU COULD DO BY A VARIETY OF INCENTIVES INCLUDING, FOR EXAMPLE, BY WRITING OFF STUDENT LOANS AND A VARIETY OF OTHER THINGS.

AND I WOULD DRAMATICALLY EXPAND THE HIGH SCHOOL R.O.T.C. PROGRAMS, IN PART BECAUSE THEY'RE VERY GOOD DEVELOPERS OF DISCIPLINE.

AND I MEAN, EVEN JERRY BROWN WHEN HE WAS MAYOR OF OAKLAND CREATED A MILITARY ACADEMY IN OAKLAND BECAUSE HE SAID, THESE KIDS ALL UNDERSTAND GUNS. THEY'RE CALLED DRIVE BY SHOOTINGS.

HE SAID, I WANT THEM TO LEARN TO LIVE IN A DISCIPLINED ORDERED, STRUCTURED SOCIETY.

WE WOULD DO VERY WELL TO THINK ABOUT WHAT'S THE SIZE WE NEED, FIND A WAY TO RECRUIT THE SIZE WE NEED, HONOR THOSE WHO SERVE THE COUNTRY.

BUT I DO NOT BELIEVE WE NEED A DRAFT AND I AM DEEPLY OPPOSED TO THE IDEA THAT GOVERNMENT SHOULD TAKE A YEAR OUT OF YOUR LIFE CAPRICIOUSLY JUST BECAUSE IT WILL SERVE SOME MORAL CAUSE. TO THOSE WHO WANT MANDATORY NATIONAL SERVICE STRIKES ME AS AN ABSOLUTE OPPOSITE OF LIBERTY TO SAY YOU OWE A YEAR OF YOUR LIFE TO THE STATE SO A BUREAU CARAT CAN ASSIGN YOU TO THINGS. I THINK THEY'RE RUNNING MICROPHONES SO I'M TRYING TO FOLLOW THE MICROPHONE PEOPLE. THE MICROPHONE LADIES OWN THIS AUDIENCE.

**AUDIENCE MEMBER/QUESTION:** THANK YOU, MR. SPEAKER. I WAS WONDERING WHAT GUIDANCE YOU WOULD OFFER IN TERMS OF REALLY ESTABLISHING DEMOCRACY IN AFGHANISTAN AND ALSO IRAQ.

**NEWT GINGRICH:** A GOOD QUESTION.

THEY ARE VERY DIFFERENT PROBLEMS.

THERE ARE TWO KEYS TO AFGHANISTAN.

THE FIRST ACTUALLY IS THE FRONT PAGE OF USA TODAY THIS MORNING. THE FIRST KEY IS TO HAVE A MARSHALL PLAN LEVEL OF AID. THE MARSHALL PLAN, WHICH WAS THE GREAT AMERICAN RESPONSE TO THE SOVIET EMPIRE, WAS 3% OF OUR GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT. I MEAN, THE GUYS WHO WON THE SECOND WORLD WAR UNDERSTOOD LEADERSHIP ON A WORLD SCALE AND DIDN'T PLAY MICKY MOUSE GAMES.

THEY SAID, LOOK, IF SAVING

WESTERN EUROPE REQUIRES REAL INVESTMENT THEN WE'LL GET A LIFETIME RETURN FROM THAT. AND WE WERE VERY GENEROUS AND IT WORKED.

AND WE SAVED GREECE, ITALY AND FRANCE AT A TIME WHEN ALL THREE WERE VERY LIKELY GOING TO GO COMMUNIST.

SO START WITH THE IDEA.

ONE-THIRD OF THE ECONOMY OF AFGHANISTAN CURRENTLY IS POPPIES.

THAT CREATES A CRIMINAL CULTURE, IT GUARANTEES AN ANTI-GOVERNMENT FACTION THAT HAT ENORMOUS AMOUNTS OF WEALTH.

YOU CAN'T JUST GO IN THERE ON A NEGATIVE BASIS OF KILLING THE POPPY FIELDS OR YOU GUARANTEE THAT EVERY FAMILY WHICH IS STARVING WILL BE BIT EARLY OPPOSED TO YOU.

SO WE OUGHT TO HAVE A CONSCIOUS STRATEGY THAT SAYS, HOW DO YOU CREATE AN ECONOMICALLY MODERN AFGHANISTAN?

THIS IS A SMALL COUNTRY—IN OUR TIME HAITI IS THE OTHER EXAMPLE.

WE HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH THAT COUNTRY SINCE 1920 BADLY. WE HAVE NEVER TAKEN SERIOUSLY, WHAT WOULD IT TAKE TO TRANSFORM HAITI A VERY SMALL COUNTRY SO EVERYBODY IN HAITI HAD A CHANCE OF BEING PROSPEROUS.

THESE ARE LARGE SCALE CHANGES. IN AFGHANISTAN YOU WANT TO SAY, A, I WANT TO FIND A WAY TO REPLACE A THIRD OF YOUR ECONOMY. PRETTY SMALL ECONOMY.

SO IT'S PROBABLY LIKE REPLACING A THIRD OF MANCHESTER.

THIS IS NOT LIKE REPLACING FRANCE.

B, YOU HAVE GOT TO SAY TO PAKISTAN THAT THERE'S GOING TO BE ACTIVE PURSUIT INTO THE WIZERA PART OF PAKISTAN.

YOU CANNOT TOLERATE A SANCTUARY WHERE THE PUSHKUNS WHO LEAVE PAKISTAN GO INTO AFGHANISTAN—

YOU'LL NEVER SUCCEED IN THAT CAMPAIGN BECAUSE THEY CAN ALWAYS HIDE AND COME BACK NEXT MONTH. THEY ALWAYS HAVE THE INITIATIVE. FIRST TWO THINGS ARE THE KEY TO AFGHANISTAN.

YOU SOLVE THOSE TWO, AFGHANISTAN WILL GRADUALLY BECOME IN FACT A FREE SOCIETY.

IT'S A REMARKABLE THING.

IT'S ONE THING MOST CONFUSED BY AMERICA.

NO WOMEN'S GROUP HAS STOOD UP AND SAID, ISN'T IT A MARVEL THAT WOMEN IN AFGHANISTAN HAVE BEEN LIBERATED?

NONE.

BECAUSE THEY HATE GEORGE W. BUSH SO MUCH THEY CAN'T FAVOR OR AFGHAN WOMEN.

NOBODY'S NOTED THAT ONE OF THE FIRST PERSONS TO VOTE WAS A 19-YEAR-OLD WOMAN.

THIS IS A REVOLUTION FROM THE TALIBAN.

IT WAS A DRAMATIC EXPANSION OF HUMAN RIGHTS, NONE OF WHICH COUNTED BECAUSE OF COURSE GEORGE W. BUSH IS EVIL AND THEREFORE NOTHING HE DID COULD BE GOOD.

SO NOT A SINGLE LEFT WING FEMINIST GROUP YOU THINK FAVORED WOMEN'S RIGHTS HAS EVER SAID A POSITIVE WORD ABOUT AFGHANISTAN. BECAUSE IT CAN'T COUNT.

SECOND, IRAQ IS A TOTALLY DIFFERENT PROBLEM.

I THINK IT'S A TRAGEDY AND IT'S EXACTLY WHAT LINCOLN GAVE THE GETTYSBURG ADDRESS ABOUT. I'LL CLOSE THIS BECAUSE IT'S SO RELEVANT TO WHERE WE ARE. 85% OF THE PEOPLE OF IRAQ WENT TO THE POLLS, WALKED TO THE POLLS.

REMEMBER THEY CLOSED DOWN EVERY STREET BECAUSE THEY WERE SO AFRAID OF SUICIDE BOMBERS THAT THEY HAD TO WALK.

AND THEY WALKED PAST SIGNS THAT SAID "WE WILL KILL YOU IF YOU VOTE." 85%.

AND WHAT WE'VE DONE, BECAUSE OUR FIRST CAMPAIGN WAS BRILLIANT, SUCCEEDED AND IT'S WHAT WE DO BEST.

IT WAS A HIGH TECH MILITARY CAMPAIGN AND IN 23-DAYS WE REPLACED SADDAM.

OUR SECOND CAMPAIGN IS A FAILURE.

THIS IS THE WORD THE WHITE HOUSE DOESN'T LIKE ME TO USE.

BUT AGAIN IT'S LIKE LEARNING THAT THE 2006 CAMPAIGN WAS A DEFEAT.

WE AREN'T WHERE WE INTENDED TO BE IN IRAQ.

NOW IF THE MILITARY CAN'T USE THE WORD FAILURE, IF THE WHITE HOUSE CAN'T USE THE WORD FAILURE, IF THE STATE DEPARTMENT CAN'T USE THE WORD FAILURE HOW DO YOU HAVE A DISCUSSION ABOUT DESIGNING A THIRD CAMPAIGN? I WANT TO BE VERY CLEAR ABOUT THIS BECAUSE I THINK IT'S VERY MUCH WHAT LINCOLN MEANT. WITH 3,000 YOUNG AMERICANS HAVE GIVEN THE FULLEST MEASURE OF THEIR DEVOTION TO FREEDOM, THEY HAVE DIED ON BEHALF OF THIS COUNTRY IN IRAQ.

THOUSANDS OF IRAQIS HAVE DIED ON THE GOOD SIDE. STANDING NEXT TO US IN UNIFORM, TRYING TO CREATE A FREE DEMOCRATIC IRAQ.

AND WE ARE RIGHT WHERE LINCOLN WAS AT GETTYSBURG WHEN HE INAUGURATED THE FIRST NATIONAL CEMETERY AFTER THE GREATEST BATTLE OF THE CIVIL WAR.

IF WE LEAVE THERE IN DEFEAT, THE WORLD IN THE NEXT TEN YEARS WILL BECOME DRAMATICALLY MORE DANGEROUS.

AND WE CAN'T STAY THERE DOING WHAT WE'RE DOING BECAUSE IT WILL NOT WORK. SO WE NEED A DRAMATIC NEW THIRD CAMPAIGN THAT IS FUNDAMENTALLY DIFFERENT, THAT HAS MASSIVELY MORE RESOURCES GOING DIRECTLY INTO THE IRAQI ECONOMY.

WE OUGHT TO TAKE A F.D.R. MODEL, CIVIL CONSERVATION CORPS. WE SHOULD HIRE EVERY YOUNG MALE UNDER 30.

GET HIM DOING SOMETHING. WE OUGHT TO HIRE THEM TO THE MILITARY BECAUSE IT IS THE ONLY INSTITUTION THAT IS CURRENTLY COMPETENT.

THE AGENCY FOR NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT HAS NO POSSIBLY OF DOING THAT.

AND WE OUGHT TO DECREE AIR A NATIONAL POLICE FORCE MODELED ON THE ITALIAN OR THE FRENCH AND WE SHOULD DOUBLE OR MORE THE SIZE OF THE IRAQI MILITARY AND WE SHOULD SAY WE ARE ADAMANTLY IN FAVOR OF THE PEOPLE OF IRAQ WHO VOTED FOR FREEDOM AND WE ARE PREPARED TO DEFEAT, WHETHER THEY ARE SHIITE OR SUNNI, ANYONE WHO IS GOING TO DISRUPT THE DEMOCRATICALLY ELECTED REGIME. AND WE'RE GOING TO THAT IN FACT THE VOTE OF THE 85% OF THE IRAQI PEOPLE IS WORTHY OF BEING HONORED AND IT WITH THOSE IRAQIS WILLING TO STAND WITH US AND RISK THEIR LIVES.

THAT THIRD CAMPAIGN IF IT WAS DONE PROPERLY WOULD DEFEAT THE BAD GUYS, IT WOULD SEND A SIGNAL TO IRAN AND SYRIA THAT STATE-SPONSORED TERRORISM WILL NEVER AGAIN BE ACCEPTED AND THEY HAD BETTER CHANGE THEIR WAYS OR WE WILL CHANGE THEIR GOVERNMENT. THANK YOU ALL VERY, VERY MUCH.

[APPLAUSE]

**JAMES BRETT/NEW ENGLAND COUNCIL:** I JUST WANT TO THANK THE SPEAKER FOR TAKING TIME OUT OF HIS VERY BUSY SCHEDULE TO BE HERE AT THE POLITICS AND EGGS BREAKFAST FORUM THIS MORNING. WE LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING HIM BACK.

WE THANK HIM FOR HIS INSIGHTFUL AND THOUGHTFUL COMMENTS. AND A LITTLE MOMENTO WE WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT TO YOU, MR. SPEAKER, IS A LITTLE GIFT HERE FROM THE POLITICS AND EGGS. MAYBE WE CAN GET A MUG SHOT OF THE SPEAKER AND THE MUG. AND WE NEVER REALLY ASKED THE SPEAKER ABOUT FIRST IN THE NATION, NEW HAMPSHIRE.

WE CAN'T REALLY LET YOU GO WITHOUT TALKING ABOUT HOW IMPORTANT THE NEW HAMPSHIRE PRIMARY IS.

AND MAYBE YOU WANT TO LET ALL OUR FRIENDS KNOW THAT YOU SORT OF, YOU KNOW, SUPPORT THE FIRST IN THE NATION?

[LAUGHTER]

**NEWT GINGRICH:** WELL LOOK, I CAN'T UNDERSTAND THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY LOONY ENOUGH TO MESS WITH SOMETHING THAT WORKS.

THIS HAS BEEN FOR—SINCE 1912, A REMARKABLE TESTING GROUND FOR PEOPLE. IT IS THE RIGHT-SIZED STATE. AND I THINK ALL OF THESE VARIOUS ARGUMENTS ABOUT, YOU KNOW, FINDING THE RIGHT PLACE ARE NONSENSE.

AMERICA'S A STUNNINGLY DIVERSE COUNTRY.

THIS IS A GREAT PLACE TO BEGIN THE PROCESS.

AND I THINK FRANKLY BELYING IOWA FOR THE CAUCUSES, NEW HAMPSHIRE FOR THE FIRST PRIMARY, SOUTH CAROLINA FOR THE SECOND PRIMARY GIVES YOU REGIONAL DIVERSITY IN SMALLER STATES, WHICH I THINK IS GOOD.

I MEAN, I AM SICK AT WHAT MONEY HAS DONE TO POLITICS IN CREATING A NEGATIVE CONSULTANT-DRIVEN ATTACK AD MODEL THAT DESTROYS THE ABILITY OF INDIVIDUALS TO HAVE AN IMPACT.

AND I THINK THAT THIS IS ONE OF THE BULWARKS AS ALL OF YOU KNOW MORE THAN DO I WHERE CANDIDATE ACTUALLY HAVE TO GO OUT FACE-TO-FACE WITH HUMAN BEINGS AND TALK WITHOUT THEIR CONSULTANTS.

TO GIVE THIS UP FOR SOME JERRY-RIGGED MODEL IS A RETURN TO THE MCGOVERNISM OF 1972 WHERE THEY TRIED TO SOLVE ALL THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY'S PROBLEMS AND AS A RESULT THEY LOST THE PRESIDENCY FOR A GENERATION. JUST RELAX, KEEP IT EXACTLY THE WAY IT IS RIGHT NOW.

AND I THINK IT WILL WORK DRAMATICALLY BETTER.

ONE LAST THING: NEW HAMPSHIRE IS NOT ABOUT WHO CHOOSES, IT'S ABOUT THE PROCESS.

THE REASON THIS WORKS IS YOU HAVE PEOPLE HERE WHO HAVE SPENT MORE TIME CRITICIZING PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES THAN ANY PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE WILL SPEND RUNNING.

AND SO THE QUALITY OF THE QUESTIONS, THE TOUGHNESS OF THE THINKING, THE DIALOGUE THAT GOES ON AFTER WE LEAVE HERE MAKES NEW HAMPSHIRE A DIFFERENT EXPERIENCE THAN TRYING TO JUST HAVE A PRIMARY IN A LARGE STATE WITH A LOT OF TELEVISION.

THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH.

[APPLAUSE]

NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC TELEVISION IS PROUD TO BE A PRODUCTION PARTNER OF THIS POLITICS AND EGGS WEBCAST AND THE VIDEO ARCHIVES PROJECT. POLITICS AND EGGS IS A PROJECT OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE POLITICAL LIBRARY AND THE NEW ENGLAND COUNCIL WITH SUPPORT FROM BAE SYSTEMS, CLEAN HARBORS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, AND FIDELITY INVESTMENTS.