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GEORGE MC GOVERN AND THE WORKING MAN

The only enemy the American worker has in this election year is George S. McGovern. While Senator McGovern spreads the grossest of distortions about President Nixon he simultaneously covers up a record of his own which is poison to every working man and his family in the country.

Senator McGovern has introduced legislation in Congress to provide a guaranteed annual income of \$6500 in welfare money to every family in the United States. This legislation, according to a study by the Senate Finance Committee would place 104 million Americans on the welfare rolls at a staggering tax rise of \$72 billion. We know who will pay the bill -- the American worker.

Senator McGovern has proposed that every man, woman, and child in the country, regardless of need, be given a \$1000 bill. No one would be required to work -- that is, no one but the hard-pressed working man who will be asked to pay higher and higher taxes to finance this hare-brained giveaway program. This plan, according to the Senate Finance Committee could put III million Americans on welfare.

If people want higher taxes, they can vote for George McGovern and his \$1000 no-work, hand-out schemes. If people want their \$750 per person tax exemption wiped away, as McGovern has proposed, they can vote for him. If the working man wants to have his back broken to make welfare a way of life, he should vote for Senator McGovern.

And while George McGovern sings the praises of the American worker, he expouses extreme causes which amount to a slap in the face for the average American.

While our sons went off to war to fulfill their obligation, thousands of others became draft dodgers, escaping to foreign countries. Now, George McGovern promises amnesty to draft evaders, saying to them:

"Come home with no penalty; all is forgiven." Is this what he means by saying he is the friend of the average American?

While George McGovern asks millions of Americans to have their children bussed miles away to achieve an artificial racial balance, he can afford to pay \$1400 a year to have his child sent to a nearly all-white school.

George McGovern supports the American working man 1000%. He supports us so hard, he is going to raise our taxes, put more of our fellow citizens on welfare, bus our children, and then humiliate America before the eyes of the world while "begging" before our enemy.

Did the American working man labor and sweat through the generations for this kind of nonsense? Did the American labor movement fight for decades to have one man break the economy of our country with fuzzy welfare schemes? Did we go to war and send our sons and grandsons to Vietnam to see a president prepared to crawl to the enemy without any guarantees that our POW's and those missing in action would be accounted for?

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We say "No thanks" to McGovern. Let him continue to get endorsements from Jersy such and Abby Hoffman. But he is not going to get our support and the support of millions of other Americans who have had it with the elite cadre which marches to the tune of Senator McGovern's theme song for radicals.

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August 1, 1972

Dear Mr. Reaugh:

I wish to reaffirm the public statement I made on February 12 in which I outlined my position on the civil and legal rights of homosexuals. That statement included the following six points:

- 1. Sexual orientation or preference should cease to be a criterion for employment by all public and governmental agencies, in work under Federal contract, for service in in the United States armed forces, and for licensing government regulated occupations and professions.
- 2. Sexual orientation should cease to be a criterion for immigration into the United States.
- 3. Government and private investigatory agencies should cease to collect data on the sexual preferences of individuals.
- 4. Sexual orientation should cease to be a criterion for obtaining housing, insurance or bonding.
- 5. Individuals previously given less than honorable military discharges solely for sexual relations between consenting adults, or for allegations relating to sexual orientation, should have the character of those discharges changed to honorable.
- 6. Federal sponsorship of educational programs which will foster further understanding of both professional people and the general public on these issues.

I would be grateful if you would share my views on this matter with your friends and associates.

Sincerely yours,

George McGovern

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