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September 25, 1972

STATEMENT FOR TEDDY GLEASON

I am one working man who is not going to tolerate the insults and arrogance of the McGovern-Shriver ticket. They have treated working people like children. They have insulted us with their rhetoric. They have accused us of being "bosses" and of being dictatorial. Today let's set the record straight.

First, Mr. McGovern said that "any laboring man or woman who supports President Nixon ought to have his head examined." Then he said that any worker who supports President Nixon "is too confused to know which end is up." Finally, last week in Ohio he said: "Any labor man or woman who supports Mr. Nixon is going to have a bad deal and I think they deserve it." (emphasis added)

If heads need examining, it's those of Mr. McGovern and his corps of high-powered elites who look down their nose at the working man. And any of you who know Teddy Gleason better believe it when I tell you I know which end is up -- and it isn't McGovern's. I might add, if Mr. McGovern thinks the worker deserves a bad deal, he ought to know; he's been giving the worker a bad deal ever since he's been running for office.

I'm just plain sick and tired of George McGovern running around acting like he's mankind's gift to labor. It's the working man's son and grandson who answered the call to go to Vietnam and fight with honor. It is Mr. McGovern who wants to let all the draft evaders out of jail and let the boys who ran away to Canada come back without

any penalty. It's not the working man who's confused about marijuana; it's Mr. McGovern. First, he said marijuana ought to be legalized like alcohol, and then he changes his mind. I'm just not sure where he stands any more, but I know where the worker stands -- we don't want marijuana legalized, period!

There are literally dozens of issues where Senator McGovern doesn't know which end is up. We want jobs, and he votes against SST, Lockheed, and the space effort. He voted each time to put my brothers out of work.

We believe in a strong defense policy; McGovern wants to cut all the muscle out of the military and 1.8 million jobs in the process.

We believe in the honor of America's commitment to the people of South Vietnam. McGovern wants to beg Hanoi and turn South Vietnam over to the Communists, and he never criticizes the murderous North Vietnamese.

We believe the working man has a role in American politics, but Senator McGovern threw us out of the Miami Convention and treated us like lepers. He insulted virtually everyone in the labor movement from George Meany on down.

We believe in working for what we get, McGovern proposes more and more welfare and more and more taxes for the worker. I don't want a \$1000 handout or McGovern's 1000% support.

I'll match my boys' pea jacket coats and calloused hands any day against McGovern's pucci ties and Sarge Shriver's \$400 Pierre Cardin suits, and the bell bottoms and satin hot pants of their followers.

Let's fact it; there's nothing about the McGovernite movement which offers any thing to the American working man. He dishonors our military, runs down the worker and plays up welfare, criticizes our allies, remains silent about the enemy, votes to put people out of work, insults us with his rhetoric and treats us like we are supposed to be in his hip pocket.

That is why I support President Nixon today. There is a lot at stake in 1972, and frankly I am worried sick about what would happen to America under George McGovern. I am worried about our foreign policy, our family life, our commitment to honor, and the future of my children and grandchildren. When I pull the lever for Richard Nixon, I know I'll be keeping the ship's captain at the helm instead of replacing him with the galley cook.

9/25/72 - dfaft  
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