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EXCERPTS FROM REMARKS BY GOVERNOR RONALD REAGAN

STEUBENVILLE, OHIO

From time to time, as I travel across America, I come across something that dramatically symbolizes what Mr. Carter's failures have done to American families.

Good's Department Store, here in Steubenville, is such a symbol. It survived hard times. It survived depressions. But it couldn't survive Mr. Carter's high unemployment and high inflation.

If you want to know what Mr. Carter's policies have done to America, you don't have to travel any further than Good's. It is a symbol of all the victims of Mr. Carter's policies.

Steubenville is a city of workers. This is an area where coal and steel and hard work have long combined to build America.

But, Mr. Carter's EPA appointees apparently don't know and don't care about coal. It's time that we had a president who will see to it that EPA has leaders who understand how vital coal is to the nation and to Ohio's economy. He was here September 12th and promised to help the coal industry.

And Mr. Carter only rediscovered the needs of steel one month before the election. I won't wait three and a half years to help the steel industry.

I am here in Steubenville today because this is a city where family values are passed on, generation to generation.

But Mr. Carter is making it extremely difficult and in some cases impossible for parents who want their children taught values in the schools of their choice.

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He promised in 1976 he would help you by enacting a tuition tax credit. But, as you know, he broke that promise. I wholeheartedly support tuition tax credits for parents sending their children to private and parochial schools, and will work to see them put into place. I believe in excellence in education wherever it is found, in public or private schools. And one way of making sure the kind of excellence we expect from non-public education continues is to have a system of tuition tax credits.

Mr. Carter's failed economic policies threaten the residents of Steubenville. In particular, his policies are hurting older Americans. First, because the Carter inflation makes their benefits worth less and less. Second, the Carter unemployment cuts the number of people paying into the Social Security Trust Fund--and potentially jeopardizes future benefits. Mr. Carter's Advisory Council on Social Security recommended taxing Social Security benefits and I firmly oppose this measure.

Mr. Carter and his administration may have written off this heartland of America. They may have given up on you. But I haven't. I don't plan on abandoning any area or industry. I plan on building for the future--a future bright with hope.

I think that we know why Steubenville is in trouble. I think we all know that for three and one-half years, Mr. Carter has neglected and ignored the people of Steubenville.

Now, I know that Mr. Carter recently announced another of his special plans, this one to help the steel industry. But Mr. Carter acts as if he hasn't been in charge for three and one-half years. He's acting as if he hadn't ignored the crisis of overregulation; and as if he hadn't stalled accelerated depreciation legislation in Congress; and as if he hadn't suspended the Trigger Price Mechanism last March.

But he did. Then he waited until a few weeks before the election, and two weeks after I had announced my plan, to copy what I proposed.

However, in perhaps the most important area--overregulation--Mr. Carter's plan is but a pale imitation of my proposal. I have spoken out consistently against overregulation, and in my steel program focused on stretching out the compliance times for all steel companies.

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You in the steel and coal industries know what it is like to deal with EPA administrators who neither care about nor understand your industries. You know these administrators, one of whom wrote a memo to the head of the EPA calling the steel industry a "lemon industry." You know that many of them are following the example of Jimmy Carter's failure of leadership and will not give the steel industry their greatest support.

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OUT AT: 8:30 PM
Sunday, 5 Oct

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Ambassador Anne Armstrong
Bill Casey
Ed Meese ✓
Jim Baker
Bill Brock
Dean Burch
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TO: Jim Brady, Washington

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His policies perhaps threaten the young even more. Unfortunately, this might be the first generation in a long time that is looking at a darker future--a future of closed stores and mills, a future of joblessness, and a future of a lower standard of living. A future unlike that offered by America ever before.

But it doesn't have to be that way. Mr. Carter and his administration may have written off this heartland of America. They may have given up on you. But I haven't. I don't plan on abandoning

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