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# The Senior Guardian

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## Reagan Falls for "Conference"

President Ronald Reagan has made a decision which will long be recalled as a disaster for his program for the older American.

He followed the advice of his staff and agreed to allow the so-called "White House Conference on Aging" (WHCoA) to go forward as previously planned by the Jimmy Carter Administration.

When this "Conference" is held in Washington (November 30-December 4, 1981) it will signal open warfare on the policies of the President by the huge contingent of ultra-liberals who will either be delegates or "observers" at the event.

Media attention will be focused on senior citizens and those who claim to represent the elderly of America. Those who are sworn opponents of the conservative ideals President Reagan has brought to Washington will take every opening to use the media to slam the President and his programs.

Liberal/left selfish interest groups like the labor union dominated National Council of Senior Citizens, the radical Gray Panthers and the American Association of Retired Persons are skilled at media grandstanding, and the WHCoA provides them a perfect soap box from which to bemoan the plight they will claim President Reagan has forced on the elderly.

The "delegates" were selected by a variety of means, but a large majority were already chosen by the Carter Administration's planners before they left office, thus assuring the crowd will be partisan Democrat, and hostile to the ideas of this Administration.

The Carter political machine was headed by Jerome Waldie, a former ultra-liberal Congressman from California. He put into place an elaborate plan to guarantee the delusion that seniors in America favor the liberal agenda for the future in its total scope.

The number one issue the Waldie allies will promote is socialized medicine. They are fanatic supporters of this bankrupting scheme, and a long laundry list of other budget-busting socialistic spending plans as well.

Secretary of Health and Human Services Richard Schweiker fired Waldie when he first

took office, a fine step in the right direction, but instead of totally eliminating the WHCoA, Secretary Schweiker appointed a former Senate aging staff member, David A. Rust, to head the conference.

Mr. Rust, who is not known by anyone as a conservative, took two correct steps by eliminating the "regional meetings" and firing every member of the Waldie National Advisory Committee. Those were the last right moves Mr. Rust took.

He then proceeded to re-appoint many of the worst men and women of the Waldie committee, including outspoken Reagan opponents from liberal senior groups and other arch-liberal establishment organizations.

Among the most radical of these were long-time left-wing activist Arthur S. Fleming, the National Council of Senior Citizens' Jacob Clayman, the American Association of Retired Persons' Cy Brickfield, liberal nursing home activist Monsignor Charles J. Fahey, liberal socialite Nancy Hanks, the Gray Panthers' Maggie Kuhn, the AFL-CIO's Bert Seidman and the American Civil Liberties Union's Sadie Alexander.

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Although Mrs. Constance D. Armitage - a fine conservative - was named Chairman, and Mrs. Eleanor Ring Storrs - a six-year member of the Board of Directors of the National Alliance of Senior Citizens - was named Deputy Chairman, the overall composition of this Advisory Committee portends real trouble for President Reagan.

Apparently Secretary Schweiker was sold on

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the idea that if Republicans appoint the leaders and control the meeting, it won't be used to sabotage their program to restore America to greatness. It is also likely that he was able to sell this argument to the President.

That is what Republicans thought in 1971 when Richard Nixon had control of the 1971 White House Conference on Aging for 3 years in advance of its convening. It produced a master plan for the creation of the huge sprawling aging bureaucracy that was rammed through Congress, and saddled on the shoulders of the over-burdened American taxpayers - all in the name of helping older persons.

Few older persons have ever benefitted a single moment from this bureaucracy. Instead it has served as a job center to employ social workers coming out of the universities and "schools of Gerontology."

The 1971 WHCoA also produced an enormous lobbying force to promote the volumes of demands from that session.

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If this year's meeting follows that same script, and there is no reason to believe it won't, the 1981 White House Conference on Aging will be a liberal bonanza for their legislative program and a windfall of publicity for those who want to portray Ronald Reagan as an enemy of the senior community through the media.

NASC members are urged to expose the WHCoA for the non-representative event that it will be. Few NASC members will participate because a decision was made by NASC leaders more than a year ago **not** to participate. Nothing has changed to make us believe it is more worthy of our active involvement now than it was then. We only wish the President had chosen another route, and cancelled this program. We fear he's going to wish he had.

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## Clinkscales Visits President Reagan On Economic Program

NASC National Director Curt Clinkscales recently attended a meeting with President Reagan at the White House to discuss the future of the President's economic recovery program.

The President told Clinkscales that NASC members and other concerned citizens have become the "superstars of grassroots politics."

He emphasized that his vital proposal to cut taxes by 25% over the next three years is absolutely necessary to his program. The President made it clear he needs tax cuts to stimulate economic growth and development and to create new productive jobs for those presently unemployed and those who are just entering the work force.

President Reagan stressed his basic belief that the money we Americans earn is ours, not government's. He believes that the more of their own money people have, the more they will save and invest to help make America great again. He has confidence in the people of this nation, and very little in government as a means of recovery.

He pointed out that those who oppose him in Congress and in the economic never-never land are demanding proof in advance that his tax cutting policies will work, but that the programs they have advanced for decades with more and more of our income going to taxes to pay for their social schemes has brought us today's serious inflationary economic mess.

The President promised to end the massive tax increases which are giving government a windfall in new taxes from inflation, and pledged to settle for nothing less than the 25% reduction he has requested.

He asked that Mr. Clinkscales give the following message to NASC members for him:

**"Thank you for what you've done for your country...If we keep working together like we have, we're going to save the American Dream we all love."**

The NASC National Director told the President of NASC membership support for his economic program, and pledged to ask their help in the continuing fight to save our economy from liberal sabotage of his programs. All Alliance members are urged to communicate their support for H.R. 3849, the Conable-Hance Tax Cut Bill to their Congressman and Senators.

To write them, just address your letter or card as follows:

Congressman (your Congressman's name), U.S. Congress, Washington, D.C. 20515.

Senator (your Senator's name), U.S. Congress, Washington, D.C. 20510.



# **“Legal Services Corporation” Should Be Abolished**

When President Reagan sent his budget reduction proposals to Capitol Hill in February, he asked that the “Legal Services Corporation” (LSC) be abolished.

But instead of being given a quiet burial, this runaway band of leftist legal activists has been given a temporary reprieve on Capitol Hill.

This reprieve comes after intense lobbying from LSC patrons, radical organizations that use LSC for their often revolutionary ends and the prestigious American Bar Association, the ABA.

Founded by Congress and former Republican President Richard M. Nixon in 1973, the LSC began under the guise of a program to provide taxpayer funded legal services for the indigent poor. It has turned into an anti-American saber for groups like the Gray Panthers, the ACLU, the National Lawyer’s Guild, busing supporters and abortion-on-demand activists.

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In fact, the LSC has been called an employment agency for National Lawyers Guild (NLG) members. The NLG has long been cited by Congressional investigating committees for its radical leftist activities as a communist front organization. The NLG is comprised of such vigorous supporters of Marxist revolutionaries as William Kunstler.

The big surprise in the battle over eliminating LSC has been the outspoken support of the ABA. It is curious that the ABA would back this rag tag band of legal activists. It could be their way of discarding their professional obligation to provide legal services to the poor, or it could be the lucrative fees ABA members pocket from defending businesses and individuals from LSC lawsuits.

With the LSC serving the notorious Gray Panthers through providing them with legal actions paid for by the American taxpayers, the senior community must look closely at how such service helps the poor.

The Gray Panthers are directly funded by our tax dollars and the massive bankroll of the Ralph Nader organization, Public Citizen. They are anything **but** poor!

In addition to helping the Gray Panthers, LSC lawyers have brought suits against states in favor of imprisoned convicted criminals to stir up trouble over “prison conditions.” Instead of serving the likes of murderers, professional robbers and rapists, any legal arm paid for by taxpayer dollars should be helping defend the innocent public from their criminal acts.

They have also used our tax dollars for such outrageous legal activities as lobbying for liberal causes, seeking federal funding for sex change operations, trying to take land away from rightful owners to give it to Indians, engaging in political organizing in local communities, compelling payment of SSI benefits to alcoholics and making the New York City Transit Authority hire former heroin addicts.

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The shocking feature of the Congressional action to retain this radical legal bureaucracy was the support of some leading conservatives for the program.

The House did approve several key Amendments which would limit the activities and powers of the LSC. The conservative leader who pled for this terrible program in the House was Virginia’s Republican Rep. M. Caldwell Butler.

The House vote was 245 to 138. This was not enough to override a presidential veto of the measure.

The Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee voted to slash the LSC budget from \$300 million to \$100 million, but to extend its life for two years. (The House gave LSC \$260 million.) The full Senate is expected to approve the Committee’s action.

Since Congress decided against dumping LSC even with its almost unbelievable history, President Reagan’s only option to kill it is to veto the legislation. If he does, and his veto sticks, this radical outfit will go out of business on September 30, 1981.

America already provides legal services for the poor through the public defender system,

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# Inheritance Tax Reform Supported

President Ronald Reagan's far-reaching tax reform measure would provide very real tax relief to the over-taxed, over-burdened American taxpayer.

The tax increases already built into our tax system from inflation must be addressed. Inflation benefits only government under this present tax structure. Reagan's plan would greatly reduce this benefit to government which is largely to blame for inflation.

One important part of the proposals of particular interest to seniors is the reduction of estate and gift taxes.

Today's law is almost confiscatory as inflation has pushed land and property values to ridiculously high levels while the level taxing begins has remained quite low. This is another flagrant example of government "windfall profits" from inflation.

Under present law, a total of \$175,625 can be passed directly to heirs through gifts (\$3,000 annual limit to each person) and the estate before taxes.

Then estate taxes begin to carve up the assets with rates as high as 18% of the first \$10,000 of evaluation.

President Reagan has proposed a limit of \$600,000 by 1985, and to raise the amount a husband and wife combined can pass along through gifts to any individual to \$20,000 annually.

The Reagan proposal would also eliminate

the estate and gift taxes that apply to property transferred from one spouse to another.

Through these needed reforms, the President hopes to eliminate inheritance and gift taxes on 95% of American estates, and save taxpayers \$3 billion of the approximately \$6 billion they presently pay for these taxes.

This would enable parents to pass along some of the basis of our American free enterprise system like family farms and small businesses.

The right to property is one of the most fundamental principles of our American system. NASC is pleased to support this legislation, and to urge its passage by Congress. We applaud President Reagan for his understanding of this serious problem, and for his action to remedy it.

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## LSC Abolition

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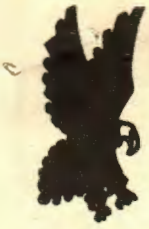
and the ABA provides all the legal services the rich wish to buy. The middle class American finds himself paying for the radical activities of the LSC as well as for public defenders for poor defendants and higher prices for goods so businesses can pay the fat ABA fees for legal services. The middle class is left with little ability to pay for its own needs after paying for everyone else's.

The National Alliance of Senior Citizens strongly backs total abolishment of the LSC, and urges President Reagan to veto the legislation to continue this most offensive agency. NASC members are urged to write the President asking him to veto the bill, H.R. 3480, and to their Congressman and Senators urging them to support (sustain) the President's expected veto.



*Mrs. J.W. Aubrey, NASC President (center), along with NASC Director Mrs. Marylene Freshley and NASC member Floyd Loupot (President of the National Hearing Aid Society).*





## Reagan Keeps Promises to Senior Community

President Ronald Reagan has upheld his promises to America's senior community. He promised to retain their present benefits without cuts, and he did. He also promised to eliminate the so-called "earnings limit" under which millions of seniors have labored for years.

The President's bold initiatives to alter Social Security would achieve three absolutely necessary goals.

First, they would prevent the looming bankruptcy of Social Security. The "Social Security Trust Fund" will run out of money by the end of 1981 or mid-1982 at the latest. The proposed changes would severely tighten the out-of-control Social Security Disability program, and reduce the benefits collected by persons who choose to accept benefits at age 62 (before age 65). Because this is the free personal choice of individuals, it is a fair means of reducing the drain on the Social Security program by persons who elect to take Social Security before age 65 in the future.

Second, they would help reduce future tax increases already scheduled to add even more burdens to the heavily-taxed American workers. This will mean the program will not become so unpopular in future years that workers will refuse to pay the Social Security taxes, or demand Congress repeal the law.

Third, the proposal to phase-out the repressive "earnings limit" against Social Security recipients would not only honor Mr. Reagan's promise to seniors, it would encourage continued productivity and lower future inflation rates by keeping people in the work force longer.

Mr. Reagan has re-directed the emphasis of

Social Security funding from ever-higher taxes heaped upon workers to limiting Social Security's umbrella to those who have earned their benefits and the truly disabled.

It also gives future retirees now in the work force some hope that there will be a Social Security program when he or she reaches age 65.

The National Alliance of Senior Citizens strongly supports President Reagan's proposed Social Security changes, and has already urged Members of the House of Representatives and the Senate to approve the program.

NASC recognizes the need to make these changes today, but will continue to press for a full overhaul of Social Security to guarantee future retirees inherit a retirement supplement with value, not merely the projected unfunded debt they face under today's Social Security program.

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## Liberals Engage in Age Discrimination

*The House Democratic Leadership, under the iron fist of liberal Massachusetts Speaker Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill, recently voted to deny Dr. C. Everett Koop a waiver from the 64 year age limit to serve as Surgeon General of the United States.*

*Dr. Koop, a 65-year-old physician, has been named to the post by President Reagan, who is 70 years old.*

*The nomination was violently opposed by pro-abortionists, liberals and radical feminist*

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# Impeach Federal Judges?

The overwhelming response to the **National Coalition to STOP Crime** Citizens' Poll in favor of impeaching federal judges came as no surprise to NASC, but it did to many of those in the House of Representatives who are charged with the task of impeachment within the U.S. Constitution.

Last year, Congress enacted a little-publicized measure to provide for federal judicial impeachment by a process centered within the judiciary themselves. While this is clearly an example of having the fox guarding the chicken coop, it must be allowed to fail before the **Coalition** can push forward in an effort to rid the criminal courts of those who repeatedly release known criminals, even violent criminals into our streets on technicalities or on such ludicrous excuses as "prison overcrowding."

In a recent meeting with Congressman Jim Sensenbrenner of Wisconsin, a member of the House Judiciary Committee, **Alliance** National Director Curt Clinkscales told the Congressman of the results of the poll, and asked for guidance on making the federal judiciary understand the real needs of society and innocent victims, and to stop the travesty of releasing known criminals to our streets to again prey upon the innocent.

Congressman Sensenbrenner suggested that we follow the directions of the law to remove those judges who are acting inconstantly with the needs of the public, and whose repeated actions demonstrate they are incompetent to continue on the federal bench if justice is to ever be restored.

NASC is now following his advice, and will soon begin a procedure to bring a series of complaints against specific judges whose behavior on the bench proves them undeserving of continued tenure.

When the framers of the Constitution provided for life tenure of federal judges, they were seeking to remove them from political pressures, not to immunize them from accountability for their actions while in service in this all-important position of authority in our criminal and civil justice system.

They did provide, in fact, guidance as to the tenure of judges when they established the

judiciary in Article III, stating,

***"The Judges, both of the supreme and inferior Courts, shall hold their Offices during good Behaviour. . ."***

To remove them, the Constitution in Article II, Section 4, provides as follows:

***"The President, Vice President and all civil Officers of the United States, shall be removed from Office on Impeachment for, and Conviction of, Treason, Bribery, or other high Crimes and Misdemeanors."***

The first impeachment in the history of the United States came against District Judge John Pickering of New Hampshire in 1802. The man was plainly incompetent to serve as a judge due to his drunkenness, but was still removed from office by a 2/3 vote of the Senate after being impeached by the House.

The case involved primarily whether or not "good Behaviour" meant removal from office in cases in which there was no "Treason, Bribery, or other high Crimes and Misdemeanors." They clearly thought it did at that time.

This and other cases during the early days of the Republic were political. The case against Justice Douglas in 1970 was political. Both could be considered justifiable, but the removal of judges who are actually, by their actions, public menaces is clearly a higher cause for removal than political reasons.

NASC and the **National Coalition to STOP Crime** (a project of NASC) are determined to see the federal judiciary made accountable for their actions, and are preparing reasons to request the dismissal of at least two judges at this time.

If Alliance members are aware of judges in their own area who are not punishing criminals, it would be helpful if they would provide the names and specific cases of judicial misconduct.

This is an on-going program to bring crime into the national spotlight, and to reduce the opportunities for judges to cause further criminal actions against innocent citizens, or to reduce the certainty of punishment for convicted criminals.



# Senator Thurmond Fighting Crime

Crime is the worst problem many Americans face. The terrible ravages of inflation, high taxes, big government and even communist aggression pale before the everyday threat people of all ages, all races, all states and all regions face from the march of crime into our cities, our neighborhoods and our homes.

The U.S. Justice Department recently released a shocking report which details the astonishing intrusion crime has made into the lives of our fellow citizens.

It states that 30% of the households in America were victimized by crime in 1980, and that 6% were hit by violent crimes.

Overall crime rose 10% in 1980, while violent crimes rose by 13%, according to the FBI statistics.

In addition, the Justice report showed that homicides have doubled since 1962.

As shocking as these statistics are, those who are most responsible for the breakdown of our lawful society have proved time and again they will fight any measure to bring crime under control.

Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Strom Thurmond recently introduced S. 114, a measure to impose the death penalty in federal cases of spying, treason, kidnapping or the assassination of a President, Vice-President, foreign head of state or federal judge. It would still leave each state with the option of whether or not they would institute capital punishment.

As expected, extremists like the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) attacked the Thurmond proposal.

The Reagan Administration, bringing a fresh approach to crime deterrence from the liberal Administrations of the past, strongly supported the Thurmond proposal, saying, "There are men of ability, good will and conscience who oppose the death penalty, but this Administration does not subscribe to them."

Senator Thurmond, whose measure to impose the death penalty for murder in crime-besieged Washington, D.C. has drawn expected denunciation from liberals in the nation's capitol, has proved himself a dedicated friend of the actual or potential victim of crime.

The Judiciary Chairman, who succeeded criminal coddler, Teddy Kennedy, in that important leadership position, said,

***"There are too many bleeding hearts who seem to forget the victims who have been robbed, killed or raped."***

In a column written in support of his anti-crime measures before the Senate, Thurmond said,

***"Let us remember...that the primary purpose of government is to protect its citizens against foreign and domestic enemies -- and domestic 'enemies' include the common criminal."***

The Judiciary chief also called for the full revision of our criminal code to reflect the needs of the public in a rational policy for dealing with crime. He called for abolishing the Parole Commission, substituting for it a "Sentencing Commission."

But the South Carolinian also took aim at the laxity and soft attitudes of the federal courts and judges:

***"Federal courts have also tampered with the ability of police and prosecutors to arrest and prosecute criminals. Again, constitutional rights must be protected, but the courts have bent over backward to do so at the expense of public safety."***

Senator Thurmond outlined his own basic belief that morality and the moral responsibility of each citizen must be taught if the underlying cause of crime is to be effectively fought. He said,

***"It has long been my belief that whenever someone adopts anti-social attitudes, he alone must bear the responsibility and guilt -- and the end purpose of moral training should be to make citizens understand this responsibility."***

The National Alliance of Senior Citizens is firmly on Senator Thurmond's side in this battle to reverse the terrible crime epidemic in America, and hopes that every Alliance member will voice his or her support of S. 114 to show that people nationwide wish to support this bold step toward a re-assertion of the rights of innocent people, and not total preoccupation with the rights of criminals.



# Justice Served

In one of the most outrageous actions ever taken by our government, the former #2 man in the FBI and another leading figure in the Agency for many years were convicted of violating the rights of known terrorist-oriented people in the United States.

In the early 1970s, the so-called Weather Underground were busy building bombs and blowing up anything they could find to show their opposition to the U.S. involvement in the war against communism in Southeast Asia.

To halt their terrorist activities, the FBI, quite properly, undertook a determined campaign to ferret out these people and bring them to trial. In the process of their campaign, their investigation led them to wiretap the phones and take other measures to help assure innocent people were not killed or harmed by the blind terrorist attacks of the Weather Underground.

After the mid-70's witch-hunt by leftist Members of Congress, led by former-Senator Frank Church, the Carter Administration undertook to prosecute these men who were leaders of the FBI during that period. They also decided to prosecute former Acting FBI Director, L. Patrick Gray. The charges against Gray were later dropped.

After years of hostility and investigation, the trial was conducted in U.S. District Court in the District of Columbia in 1980. Mark Felt and Edward Miller were convicted of the government charges.

In the first pardoning actions by President Reagan, he pardoned these two men who had acted in their roles so their countrymen might not be murdered indiscriminately by terrorist acts.

The President acted correctly, and said of these men:

***"They acted on presumed authority and what they thought were the best interests of the people."***

The outcry from the left-wing in America was deafening. The news media played up this outcry with an orchestration that was unmistakable. They interviewed leftists and even members of the families of convicted Weather Underground terrorists who had been clear and understandable targets of the FBI investigations.

NBC's Richard Valeriani interviewed Reagan's Attorney General, William French Smith, on the *Today* program, and viciously attacked the actions. His questions were overtly hostile, and smacked of advocacy for

the terrorists.

To his credit, the cool Mr. Smith calmly stated, "I would not have initiated those prosecutions."

There was no such outcry from the media when Jimmy Carter made his first pardon. It was a blanket pardon of all those who were draft dodgers during the Vietnam War. It was a reward to those who chose to flee our free nation rather than uphold the flag of our nation when we were fighting to support the freedom of an entire region.

Is there some significance to this variance in media attention and response? There certainly is. The media opposed the war, and made heroes of those who fled their responsibilities.

The National Alliance of Senior Citizen, Inc., strongly applauds the pardon of the two FBI men, Mr. Felt and Mr. Miller. We feel the time is long overdue for an end to the witch-hunt against our domestic and foreign intelligence networks, and feel this is a fitting way for our President to show the intelligence community he supports their activities on behalf of protecting the American people.

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***(Editor's Note: The war in Vietnam has been over from the U.S. point of view for several years. Our known P.O.W.s returned home 8 years ago. Still, there are widespread reports that many of those still listed as M.I.A.s are alive and being held in North Vietnamese prisons. A fine book on this topic was written by Jim Roberts which details the cases of men known to be alive. The NASC urges every member to send \$2.00 for the book to:***

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## Age Discrimination

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groups because of Dr. Koop's strong advocacy of the right to life of the unborn.

Senator Jesse Helms attached the waiver to another bill, but when it reached the House, a leadership clique including O'Neill and ultra-liberal California Congressman Henry Waxman turned the nomination down on the basis of Dr. Koop's age.

The National Alliance supports ending the mandatory maximum age for public service, and was outraged by the House action. NASC issued a stinging news release to condemn this ageist vote by the House and the role played in this by ultra-liberals like O'Neill and Waxman who gave lip-service to the senior community, but will stop at nothing to achieve their narrow partisan political ends.





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## REAGAN ECONOMIC PLAN-- OUR LAST HOPE?

**P**resident Ronald Reagan made a bold beginning as our new Chief Executive, but if he is to achieve his ambitious goals, those who support the direction of his programs must make their voices heard.

The **National Alliance of Senior Citizens**, (NASC) has called for stiff budget cuts, Kemp-Roth tax reductions and a slashing of repressive government regulations for more than four years. Mr. Reagan's attempt to enact these dramatic changes is the first in modern history, and he has our full backing.

While **NASC** would prefer even more stringent budget cuts and an immediate tax cut, the most important aspect of the President's proposals is that he has made a start at recovery.

Getting even modest cuts and the somewhat reduced tax package past Congress will require the dedicated efforts of Mr. Reagan, his entire Administration, responsible organizations like **NASC** and the citizens of this nation who are fed up with the failed policies of liberalism.

Not only will the program have to overcome the roadblocks of Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill and his majority in the House of Representatives, it will have to surmount the daily propaganda barrage of the big media who have already shown their opposition to even the most elementary cuts.

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What few people realize is that the Reagan budget program is not an actual reduction in most instances, but a decrease in the size of the massive increases proposed by Jimmy Carter.

Of course, there are some programs being eliminated altogether, and others being placed into a category of "block grants" where the states will decide whether to retain or kill the programs. Again, this is an important step in the proper direction - away from centralized government.

When government programs are controlled from Washington, they amass power and control far away from the people. They employ a cadre of bureaucrats to tell state and local people what to do with the programs, and are totally isolated from the people who are forced to pay the bills.

Under state and local control however, programs can be evaluated by the public to see if they merit continuation. If not, they can be dumped by local officials responsible to the people of local areas.

This overall economic program will mean much to the taxpayers, to fixed-income people hurt by inflation and those who want to end the dangerous reign of big government.

But, there are a host of dedicated opponents to the Reagan program, and they are determined to defeat all the proposed cuts as well as the tax reductions and the regulatory reforms.

They howl that we can't cut government, but consider these facts: 1) Government

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employs nearly 5 million people. 2) Government owns more land than the Eastern U.S. plus Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas combined. 3) Government has more than 1/2 million buildings either owned or leased. 4) Government owns more than \$50 Billion worth of non-military equipment. 5) Government owes nearly **\$1 Trillion**. 6) Government spends more than **\$75 Million** every hour. ***This can't be cut???***

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These groups and people who are working to defeat these reforms were appropriately called **“SELFISH INTEREST GROUPS”** by President Reagan.

Led by the big union bosses, every group that feeds at the federal tax dollar trough is joining the concerted opposition to the Reagan plans.

Among these *selfish interest groups* are the AFL-CIO, the United Auto Workers, the United Mine Workers, the National Education Association (union), the League of Women Voters, the NAACP, the Urban League, the Sierra Club and of course, the union-dominated National Council of Senior Citizens.

They are already busy mapping strategy, lobbying with feverish intensity, demonstrating and striking and organizing a postcard/letter campaign to spoil our dreams of a new economic beginning.

Those who have sapped the fiber of the working people through literally hundreds of fraud-ridden social welfare schemes are already squealing like a litter of stuck pigs.

Included in those who are on the take are many huge businesses that have been shamelessly pursuing our tax dollars. Even mighty General Motors is feeding on our money, as are giants like Hilton Hotels, Hyatt Hotels, National Semiconductor and many others, not to mention Chrysler.

The day of reckoning must come, and it

looms very much on the horizon for our land. Whether Reagan's measures are in time and enough to avert a catastrophe is unclear, but what is sure is that we are entering a period of grave national peril both on the economic front and in our dealings with the forces of communist darkness.

While some few deserving people will be temporarily hurt, most of the changes will impact on the not-so-needy, the voluntarily non-productive of working age and the well-off who have no shame in taking from those whose labors are drained by excess taxes and the heavy burdens of too much government.

There are many programs set by liberal social planners *“to help the elderly”* that do nothing more than enrich special interest groups and create even more bureaucracy.

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One such program in need of immediate termination is the wasteful **“White House Conference on Aging,”** a boondoggle designed to give the impression that seniors in America demand the liberal social agenda.

The President should cut all these programs. Seniors have little need for expensive symbols and havens for bureaucrats in their name.

All groups in society should share the cuts, the older persons are no exception. Still, seniors will not allow themselves to be the only group to sacrifice - all must share this reduction of government!

The protection of Social Security is the exception, as President Reagan has recognized and assured in his program.

We must understand once and for all that there is no free lunch. Someone must pay, and our present economic problems are the direct result of decades of liberal free lunch programs.

Mr. Reagan will face the biggest test of his entire term soon. If his program fails to pass largely intact, America will surely be saddled

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# ANTI-CRIME PROGRAM LAUNCHED

Senator Charles Grassley



The *National Alliance of Senior Citizens* has launched the *National Coalition to STOP Crime*, a program designed to end the reign of terror being suffered by innocent victims and potential victims in our nation.

This program includes the *National Citizens' Crime Poll* which was sent to many **NASC** members and to thousands of other persons nationwide. The results will be announced in the March, 1981 newsletter.

The poll will be used to set a legislative

program to stop crime and punish guilty criminals who are making life for many of our citizens mere days of fear and nights of terror.

Working with the leadership of the *Senate Judiciary Committee* under the fine Chairmanship of Senator Strom Thurmond (R-SC), **NASC** and Senator Charles Grassley of Iowa are moving a forceful and direct "**Joint Resolution**" to a vote in Congress.

This resolution will make the bleeding hearts in Congress and their fellow interest groups like the ACLU and other criminal coddlers cringe.

It is designed to set the tone in Congress for needed legislation to force criminals into jails and off the streets. It is also to put pro-criminal, soft judges on notice they will face impeachment if they allow the terror to continue.

With the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court on our side, and the millions of people in America who live in terror, we are involved in a program that can help turn the course of criminal justice back to sanity.

**NASC** is pleased with our progress in this, and hopes all **NASC** members will support the new *National Coalition to STOP Crime*.

## SENIOR NEWS

### NASC On The Hill

**N**ASC National Director Curt Clinkscales, will testify before the Subcommittee on Social Security hearings to assist in re-writing the Social Security Act to assure future benefits are paid.

As part of his testimony, the **NASC** leader will emphasize the dual responsibility of Congress to assure benefits are paid to the retired recipients, and that today's working people are not left with an empty bag after making heavy and burdensome payments all their working years. Including their employer's portion, young people now pay an astounding 13.3% of their total income into Social Security. That's a mighty big chunk to pay for something they may never receive.

Mr. Clinkscales will also appear before the House panel re-writing the Medicaid program to testify with **NASC's** positions on this highly controversial program.

The emphasis of the **NASC** position is to severely restrict Medicaid benefits to deny this free medical care to all but the genuinely needy, and to assure payments are for services actually rendered and actually required for patient health.

### Repeal Earnings Test

**I**n the coming restructuring of Social Security, there is one long overdue reform for which **NASC** will forcefully lobby. This is the total elimination of the so-called "*earnings limit*" against Social Security recipients.

On January 1, 1981, the limit was raised to \$5,500 from \$5,000, but it is still a force to move working people into retirement.

This measure is a real form of mandatory retirement, a way to get productive

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## Senior News

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Americans out of wage-earning jobs and onto retirement rolls.

**NASC** has favored eliminating this rule since our formation in 1974. The repeal was passed by the House in 1977, only to be killed by Senate liberals led by Russell Long of Louisiana.

President Reagan pledged to support the repeal of this terrible provision, while Jimmy Carter had pledged to veto it. **NASC** fully expects the President to heartily endorse and sign the measure.

In fact, **NASC** members like Mr. Lester Muehr of Racine, New Jersey, are already writing the President and their elected representatives urging them to make this needed change in the Social Security program.

Mr. Muehr wrote:

*"Myself and thousands of Senior Citizens are awaiting your decision to do something about cancelling earnings limitations. . ."*

Yes we are!

## Special IRS Deductions for Seniors

**S**eniors have some tax advantages not available to others.

To find out the added deductions to which you are entitled, write for your special fact sheet entitled, "**Protecting Older Americans Against Overpayment of Income Taxes**" from the Senate Special Committee on Aging, United States Senate, Washington, D.C. 20510.

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## Opportunity Available:

One of our strongest supporters and advocates of continued productivity by seniors has asked us to include the following in our newsletter for those who may be interested:

*Additional income plus involvement in promoting medical assistance for the business or vacation traveller. Outside commission sales positions are available now. Call 1-800-243-2303 or write: Medical International / 3 Landmark Sq. / Stamford, CT 06901*

## You and Your Health

**O**ne major need for the senior person is a closely-monitored diet to assure the food we eat is best for our individual needs. The following are general guides to better health, but you should consult with your Doctor or an experienced Dietician.

All people need about the same nutrients (protein, vitamins and minerals), but with the years, we must eat more nutritious food, and avoid gaining weight with sweets, snack foods, carbohydrates, sugar-laden soft drinks and alcohol.

Don't eat too little or too much. A diet of low calorie may omit needed nutrition, leading to a loss of energy and often depression. Overeating will lead to added weight with the dangers of heart trouble, stroke and high blood pressure.

Exercise is vital to all ages, and should be a part of your life every day, obviously with your Doctor's permission.

When taking drugs or undergoing surgery or any major changes in your life, consult your Doctor and assure your diet meets your needs then as well.

Things on the needed list include: fresh vegetables, green leafy vegetables, fresh fruits, low-fat dairy products, meats such as fish & chicken, cereal and beans. Bran and other fiber-laden grain cereals are helpful.

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## Reagan Economic Plan

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with the most severe economic calamity since **The Great Depression**.

Members of **NASC** vividly recall that cruel and bitter period. Not one of us wishes to see our children and grandchildren endure the harsh reality of joblessness, hunger, fear and hopelessness.

As President Reagan told the Congress:

**"If we don't do this, inflation and a growing tax burden will put an end to everything we believe in and to our dreams for the future."**

Write to both of your U.S. Senators and your Congressman today to let them know you support the President, and you expect them to fully enact this program.





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# The Senior Guardian

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## A CONSERVATIVE CONGRESS? DON'T BE FOOLED!

The media have convinced many persons that the 97th Congress is a Conservative-controlled body devoted to enacting the changes the voters demanded on Election Day, 1980.

It isn't true.

While many changes took place in the U.S. Senate, and a total reversal of many leadership positions in the Senate were effected, there are still sizeable numbers of liberals in the Senate. Coupled with those without a strong commitment to Conservative issues, they still hold a majority. Still, the Senate has new leadership with a much more identifiable program with that of the voters.

In the House of Representatives however, there is not even the possibility of Conservative control.

Those hopes were raised by some who saw the possibility of many Conservative Democrats joining Republicans to elect a compromise Conservative as the new Speaker of the House. NOT ONE Democrat joined such a move, and NO Democrat Conservative voted against their party's choice for Speaker, Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill.

Thus they re-elected iconoclast liberal Massachusetts Representative O'Neill as the Speaker of the House for the 97th Congress, and his Southern liberal partner Jim Wright of Texas as the Majority Leader.

Together these men lead a force of

uncompromisingly powerful liberals who will stop at nothing to obstruct the Conservative agenda for revitalizing America and our economy.

After their log jams and roadblocks derail the needed corrective economic legislation Ronald Reagan is committed to supporting, they and their liberal allies in the major news media will loudly proclaim the failure of Reagan policies which they never allowed to become law.

Rather than having a real chance to correct the abuses of fifty years of liberal control of government, the voters gave Conservatives only stronger numbers in the House.

Under most circumstances, such a shift would give the Conservatives real power. In 1981, however, the will of the people has been overwhelmingly thwarted by Speaker O'Neill. He has been appropriately called "Czar" O'Neill for his dictatorial abuse of power.

O'Neill has flagrantly ignored the voters of 1980 by keeping both the tax-writing Ways and Means Committee and the all-powerful Rules Committee under his total domination.

While Republicans hold 192 of 435 seats in the House, a ratio of 5-to-4 Democrat-to-Republican, O'Neill packed both of these strategic committees with ratios of better than 2-to-1 Democrat. The actual numbers are 24-to-12 on Ways and Means and 11-to-5 on Rules.

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O'Neill has become the most powerful elected Democrat in the nation, and he's determined to revive the liberal wing of the Democratic Party. He sees derailing Reagan's economic recovery as just the plank he needs to construct a 1982 election platform for a renewed liberal assault on our economic freedoms.

This economic stranglehold is just the intent behind his ploy to control the vital committees he knows to be crucial to any realistic opportunity to revitalize our economy.

O'Neill knows our economy is just the one item that has most alienated voters from his beloved liberalism. He would far prefer that our economy was a total wreck in 1982 than a healthy, fully-recovered source of pride for the working people of our nation.

Speaker O'Neill would rather inflation exceeded 20% and unemployment was more than 12% of the work force than to be controlled and acceptable to the public.

As the product of raw political ambition, the Speaker of the House never would trade a healthy economy for America for his power. He would opt any day for a return to total liberal control of government over a return to economic prosperity.

The power of the Speaker and the liberal wing of the Democratic Party is at stake. Tip O'Neill is worried about the future of his power and his philosophy.

1982 is very much on Mr. O'Neill's mind. And, it should be very much on all our minds.

The 1980 census evidenced a drastic shift of population away from many bastions of liberalism. New York State, for instance, loses 5 Congressional seats, four from New York City. Liberals are in danger of losing at least three of the four, and Democrats can do little about it.

The pattern of the shift is even more frightening to O'Neill and his liberal

colleagues as they see liberal districts the sure losers from the re-districting of states where their support is based.

To add to the liberal worries, the areas that have shown massive population gains are most often Conservative Republican Sun Belt districts. This is a sure sign of further deterioration of O'Neill's shrinking majority.

But don't expect Czar O'Neill to roll over and wait for a Republican Speaker to take his job away in 1982. He is a crafty, devious and politically-able liberal. His use of his powers to obstruct and destroy any Reagan economic measure is a perfect example of what Americans can expect from this partisan liberal.

It is important that all Americans know that Ronald Reagan and his mandate have a mountain obstructing their course to renewing the freedom of our economy and our people.

If people are unaware of O'Neill's brutally-partisan tampering with their well-being, the blame will be placed squarely on Conservatives for any failure to resolve our national economic crisis.

The media are not about to inform the public of their liberal ally's ploy to maintain liberal control of our country. They will, in fact, do all they can to boost his efforts by blaming Conservatives for any and all failures O'Neill manipulations help to bring about.

National Alliance of Senior Citizens members should watch the liberal crowd controlling the House of Representatives closely as they seek to destroy any Conservative initiatives, and NOT let them get away with it.

If members reside in Congressional Districts represented by Democrats, let them know you hold them personally responsible for O'Neill's actions. They *all* voted to elect him Speaker.

If your local media give distorted views of  
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# **SOCIAL SECURITY COST OF LIVING INCREASES UNDER FIRE**

In 1972, Congress enacted a measure to tie Social Security benefit levels to the cost-of-living. Former President Nixon then signed the law which accompanied a 20% hike in benefits that year.

The re-computation of Social Security benefits was thus removed from Congressional action, and made a function of the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

This system was believed preferable to the previous method where the most important factor was the political benefits of raising Social Security payments.

The 1972 law was a golden example of political posturing, and the wrong way to enact any public policy. The Nixon Administration proposed a 5% increase, but when the House considered the measure, the increase was jumped to 10%.

Not to be outdone, the Senate voted a 20% hike. Both the House and the Nixon White House went along with the Senate, all without any commensurate tax increase to pay for their "generosity."

It was spend-spend-spend, borrow-borrow-borrow, elect-elect-elect politics gone wild!

The outcome was a serious shortage for Social Security, and a much higher base for Social Security benefits on which the cost-of-living increases were later computed.

Now this entire concept is under fire from all quarters. It is widely believed the

Consumer Price Index (CPI) overstates the actual cost-of-living for retired persons by a considerable margin.

Inflation has driven Social Security payments up without reprieve ever since the law was enacted. Last year the hike was over 14%, and this year it will be even more. In fact, for 1979 and 1980, inflation was the highest for any two year period since the First World War in 1917-1918.

It doesn't take an economist to know that such payment increases must be covered by higher and higher taxes, or more deficits.

In 1977, Congress passed a new financing plan for Social Security. This measure was proclaimed by Congressional Democrats and Jimmy Carter as the "final solution" to Social Security's predicament.

This "solution" was the largest tax increase in the history of our nation at \$227 BILLION. (Carter's \$228 BILLION "windfall profits" tax hike in 1979 exceeded it).

On January 1, 1981, the total tax bite against working people for Social Security rose more than 1% of their total income. Their burden rose from 12.26% to 13.30% as workers must also earn both their "share" and that paid by their employers.

Working men and women are not simply rolling over and accepting this huge tax rise. They have written an unprecedented number of letters to Congress, and their mood cannot be ignored.

It is incumbent upon our representatives in Congress to structure the Social Security program so the older person is helped, but the younger worker is not deprived of the rewards of his or her labors.

In 1937, the maximum Social Security burden was only \$30. By 1965, it was still under \$200 per year. But in 1978, the burden was all the way up to \$1,070.85. This year it is \$1,975. To obtain the actual amount every

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maximum level worker really pays for Social Security, double the figures to reflect the fact workers pay both their share and their employer's share.

It means that a worker can now be saddled with a Social Security bill of \$3,950 by 1981. By 1987, estimates peg Social Security taxes at well over \$6,000 a year for such workers.

That is much more than many of today's Social Security recipients ever earned in a single year, and is more than many recipients paid in their entire lives. It shouldn't be too difficult to see why many workers don't like the Social Security withholding they suffer every paycheck.

The other major reason (other than the terrible inflationary impact on Social Security) is the huge increase in the number of recipients of benefits. In 1950, there were 14 workers to every beneficiary. By 1970, that ratio had shrunk to 4 workers to each beneficiary. It is now less than 3-to-1, and will be 2-to-1 within 20 years.

The burden can and *will* become unbearable unless there are major alterations in Social Security. The resultant clash between age and working groups would seriously disrupt society, and should be foreseen and avoided now.

In 1980, Congress had to re-shuffle some of the funding within the Social Security system to keep it from looming deficits, but the changes were generally cosmetic, except for the positive moves to end some of the most outrageous abuses of the Social Security Disability Program.

In his 1982 budget recommendations, Jimmy Carter asked Congress to change the way cost-of-living increases are calculated.

The Carter plan would eliminate use of a price index that includes mortgage interest rates. This one point is made because seniors infrequently are affected directly by such interest rates as they are not purchasing

homes in great numbers, and keeping these interest rates in the CPI greatly distorts the impact of inflation on actual family living costs.

Carter analysts estimated that the plan would save \$4 BILLION in 1981 if applied to Social Security and 13 other benefit programs which are tied to the cost-of-living as well.

This plan is a start, but little more.

House Republican Leader Robert Michel of Illinois has promised to look into a two-track CPI to assure benefit hikes more closely follow the actual needs of the older person.

Mr. Michel is a strong advocate of long-term economic health for the elderly, and is looking into other ways to avoid tax increases in this important program.

With the outrageous 2-to-1 control by Democrats on both the Ways and Means and the Rules Committees, the chances of a realistic alternative to the present Social Security system are nearly non-existent.

The real hope for positive change is a frontal addressing of the problem by President Reagan, Mr. Michel and Senate Majority Leader Baker.

The National Alliance of Senior Citizens (NASC) believes changes are absolutely necessary. While the shift of the CPI to better reflect real increases in the cost-of-living would likely help, NASC hopes President Reagan will not allow the present opportunity to pass to make a total revamping of Social Security a top priority to avoid the very real dangers inherent in allowing a poorly-designed program to continue eroding its base.

It would be a sad footnote in history if this late, but hopeful, moment was lost due to the failure of our leaders to act responsibly, and to fight those who would obstruct this positive step forward. NASC will fight to assure that doesn't happen in the coming Social Security battle. ☆☆☆



# THE NATIONAL DEBT ONE TRILLION DOLLARS

One major cause of inflation is government deficit spending. But deficits are more than simply a cause of inflation, they are a major force in driving up the cost of government for taxpayers as well.

The term "balanced budget" has become a favorite political promise for all politicians. Even the man responsible for the largest deficit era in our history, Jimmy Carter, promised us balanced budgets. He never delivered, and it is highly doubtful that he ever intended to. It sounded good to the voters, so he said it.

In 1980, Ronald Reagan promised us balanced budgets. Many of his economic advisors have already dumped the balanced budget from the next three years, a warning to us all who recall Carter's promise for a balanced budget three years down the road which never came.

But if inflation and its underlying causes are to be brought under control, government must simply stop spending more than it takes in!

There are a multitude of factors which influence inflation, but only government deficit spending is pervasive. Deficits mean govern-

ment is borrowing to meet its obligations. The loans government receives require interest payments just like those on any loans.

In 1960, the federal debt was \$285 BILLION. Today it has mushroomed to a staggering \$900 BILLION. By November, it will exceed ONE TRILLION DOLLARS. And in the projections

In the projections put forward in the 1982 Carter budget, the interest on the national debt is set to skyrocket.

In 1980, the debt interest was \$74,781,000,000

In 1981, the estimated debt interest is

\$94,100,000,000

In 1982, the estimated debt interest is

\$106,500,000

In 1956, the total federal budget was less than the interest we are paying on only the debt.

Consider that as interest rates go higher, the interest we must pay to keep the federal debt afloat is rising just as fast. In fact, it is worse because as the bonds and other promisory notes our government has issued mature, the holder of those notes must be repaid, and the original amount is then re-borrowed at astronomically higher rates.

Even worse, the government has covered many of its excessive spending habits by simply printing more money to pay the bills. Nothing could be more inflationary than printing valueless money. It devalues the rest of the currency and assets, and produces nothing but inflation.

The 1982 Carter budget is a political message without the force of law. The Reagan Administration will send forward their own budget.

President Reagan's Office of Management and Budget Director, David Stockman, promised to revise the Carter budget "from top to bottom," declaring the Carter plan "more of the same - higher spending and higher taxes." Stockman correctly pointed out that "we have a budget that's obviously out of control."

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One Congressman or Senator can't do the job. A President can't stop deficit spending - alone. Elected officials are constantly solicited for one worthy cause after another. But, if there is no fund for officials to borrow from, they must spend only within the limits allowed by law.

The method the National Alliance of Senior Citizens supports most strongly is a Constitutional Amendment requiring a balanced budget except in time of national emergency with  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the Members of Congress voting for a deficit.

In 1980, this idea nearly passed the Senate Subcommittee on the Constitution, but failed by a single vote. The Chairman of that Judiciary Committee Subcommittee was 1980 election loser Birch Bayh. The new Subcommittee Chairman is Utah Conservative Senator Orrin Hatch. Instead of a big spender like Teddy Kennedy as head of the Judiciary Committee, we now have inflation-fighter Strom Thurmond, a strong advocate of this Constitutional Amendment.

NASC will work to secure passage of this important Constitutional Amendment this year. We must act while the memory of the 1980 elections is vivid in the politician's mind. They must recall how many of their big spend/big tax/big/borrow colleagues were fired by their constituents.

Unfortunately this amendment covers only one aspect of the government deficit spending rage. State governments, counties, cities and even incorporated town governments have joined the spend/tax/borrow game with mad abandon.

Taken together, government debts already total over ONE TRILLION DOLLARS, an overwhelming problem for taxpayers and our economy.

New York City and Cleveland are two government entities which have undergone financial bankruptcy. But, they are only the beginning of the crisis to come as the bills come due in the future.

Public spending debts are out of control at

all levels, and must be constrained to wrestle down the inflation monster which is ripping fixed incomes apart.

Fortunately, some states already have constitutionally-enforced balanced budgets. They are the states with the best financial records, and they deserve credit for their requirement for control of public spending.

Every NASC member is urged to let local, county and state officials know you support balanced budgets. If your state doesn't have a mandatory balanced budget, urge passage of this needed requirement.

Congressmen and Senators need to know you are a strong supporter of balanced budgets, and that you support a Constitutional Amendment to require this needed reform.

After hearings are held at which NASC hopes to testify in support of this vital Constitutional change), NASC will urge all members to write their elected representatives in Washington to seek approval of this major step toward halting the federal deficit express that continues to destroy the purchasing power of the dollar. ☆☆☆

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the lack of progress being made by Reagan and Conservatives, let them know the real reason for the impasse.

Only if people are informed accurately can they make educated choices. If the public knows Tip O'Neill and his liberal cohorts are risking our futures just to preserve their power, the scheme will backfire, and Mr. O'Neill can go back to Massachusetts in 1982 with the defeat he so richly deserves.

The battle to regain the initiative for freedom has only just begun. Conservatives won some big victories in 1980, but unlike O'Neill and the liberal media would have the public believe, Conservatives do not control the government, and are not responsible for Mr. O'Neill's actions. ☆☆☆





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## Ronald Reagan for President

*The National Alliance of Senior Citizens formally endorsed the candidacy of Ronald Reagan for President of the United States on October 13, 1980.*

*The announcement was made by Alliance National Director Curt Clinkscales at a luncheon meeting of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Republican Club in Delray Beach, Florida.*

*The meeting was chaired by club president Col. Vincent Brevetti. Joining Mr. Clinkscales at the meeting were Alliance Board member Philip A. Guarino and former California U.S. Senator George Murphy, who is a longtime professional, political and personal friend of Ronald Reagan.*

*The text of the Alliance endorsement as delivered by Curt Clinkscales follows:*



Never in the history of our land have we had such a clear choice between candidates for our highest elected office. We must choose between Ronald Reagan and Jimmy Carter.

Without any question or doubt given this choice, *The National Alliance of Senior Citizens* endorses Ronald Reagan for President of the United States.

An overwhelming 96% of our members chose Mr. Reagan in our *Annual Membership Poll*. Fewer than 1% marked their polls for Mr. Carter,

while the rest were divided between Ed Clark, John Anderson and undecided.

Ronald Reagan is a man with a record, a platform and a philosophy we heartily endorse. He is a man of vision, compassion and understanding. He is the man America needs to meet the troubled times we face.

No governor in modern times has inherited a bigger fiscal calamity than Ronald Reagan did in 1967 when he became Governor of California. No



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governor has ever so completely altered the course of his or her state from disastrous welfarism to progressive opportunity than did Governor Ronald Reagan.

## The Reagan Philosophy

Governor Reagan has never believed the answer to every problem, both real and perceived, to be a government program. He knows government creates more problems than it solves. He also knows that most of our manageable problems are far more effectively resolved by local community groups, local government or local business groups.

Governor Reagan speaks forcefully in favor of helping the genuinely needy as a national obligation. He knows, however, that when government steps in, it controls the lives of its wards. Further, government can overstep its bounds, and bring bankruptcy to our nation as it has others.

## Secure Social Security

Governor Reagan has been an outspoken advocate of assuring our Social Security program is made secure and sound for the senior community and for generations who will be seniors in the future. He is the only candidate in this election to embrace the position of *The National Alliance of Senior Citizens* in support of repealing the repressive "earnings limit" against Social Security recipients.

## Economic Growth - Not Stagnation

Ronald Reagan offers a realistic, well-tested economic plan to stimulate the basic chords of responsive progress in our nation. Rather than demanding that we settle for less and less, he offers us the path of real hope through an expanding economy and national growth.

Without such growth, the poor, the aspiring young and those fighting up the ladder of potential success in our nation, not to mention generations to come, would endure only increased dependency on government, severe unemployment and the sure loss of our beloved freedom, both as individuals and as a nation.

Without growth, the elderly, the retired and those truly unable to work would face an ever smaller allotment of aid from regressively shrinking revenues to government.

Inflation is roaring through savings, retirement income and pensions like raging wildfire. In its path it leaves broken dreams, shattered retirement

years and worthless currency. Ronald Reagan gives us hope for solutions to this crisis problem.

He offers a balanced budget in his term, tax cuts immediately, reform of the tax system to promote growth, elimination of over-regulation of industry and our private lives, containment of the expansion of the supply of money and to take government out of the areas where it has proved an unwarranted and ineffective intruder.

Ronald Reagan understands the free enterprise system, and that our economic and national resolve makes us powerful in the international policymaking structure of the world.

## Strength - Not Weakness

Governor Reagan recognizes that without a strong national defense that is superior to any other controlled by man, we Americans will surely lose our precious political freedoms just as we have been losing our economic freedoms as government has grown more and more as our master. He knows that without military superiority, many of our young men and women will surely die as well.

But, Ronald Reagan means much more to us.

America needs a moral leader, a person who can inspire our people to reject the drug cult, to end the wave of sexual manipulation such as child pornography and to embrace the Judeo-Christian ethic which has made our people the very envy of the world.

The United States must end the *Era of Appeasement*. We can no longer allow every two-bit tyrant in the world to walk all over us. Only a real leader can reverse the avalanche of third world abuse we are suffering from such dictators as Fidel Castro, Ayatollah Khomeini and Muammar Qadhafi.

Our friends, our allies, and our enemies must know that our President is a man of honor, a man of integrity, a man of action and *a man of his word*. Ronald Reagan is such a man. He represents our only hope for restoring our national prestige and our national commitment to freedom for mankind.

## Ronald Reagan - For A Change

With Ronald Reagan in the White House, we won't see the phased destruction of virtually every new weapons system we need for our strategic defenses.

With Ronald Reagan in the White House, we won't have our vital national secrets leaked for



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political purposes, or our foreign agents exposed by our own White House.

With Ronald Reagan in the White House, we won't have the president's advisor on drugs providing his staff with illegal prescriptions, and upon resigning, alleging that drug use is rampant in the White House.

With Ronald Reagan in the White House, we won't have a man whose campaign manager and his chief campaign aide were both investigated for illegal use of the drug cocaine.

With Ronald Reagan in the White House, we won't have our United Nations Ambassador calling Khomeini *a saint*, alleging our former presidents are "racists," commending Fidel Castro's Soviet mercenaries in Africa as a "stabilizing force" and casting votes to destroy our allies.

With Ronald Reagan in the White House, we won't have a man who would seek to force ratification of the *SALT II TREATY* which gives treaty force to U.S. strategic inferiority to the Soviet Union, or who promised never to give away operational control of the Panama Canal only to immediately do just that.

With Ronald Reagan in the White House, we won't have a man who offers three completely separate budgets to Congress in the course of a single year, and then cooperates as Congressional leaders go home to seek re-election before passing one of the biggest deficit spending budgets in history.

This is the same man who promised us faithfully that we'd have a balanced budget this year, and has yet to inform the public that it will be outrageously out of balance.

Of course, this is the same man who promised he would never lie to us. . .

With Ronald Reagan in the White House, we will end the reign of the man who promised us no real tax hikes, but who has raised our taxes more than any president in history.

With Ronald Reagan in the White House, we'll bring to an end the economic mis-management which has skyrocketed inflation from 4.8% when Carter took office to more than four times that figure today.

What could be more justice than defeat for the man who went so far as to create a *misery index* by combining the inflation rate with the unemployment figures. In 1976 that index was 12%, while today it has jumped to more than double that

figure.

With Ronald Reagan in the White House, we won't have a president who appoints an advisory commission on Social Security that recommends taxing 50% of our social security benefits, and the president endorses the program.

### A New Beginning For Freedom

Ronald Reagan offers hope and a new direction for our nation.

Jimmy Carter offers failure, a national policy of weakness, a second-rate nation, and an unwarranted ego trip unlike any in our lifetimes.

The senior American has a vital stake in the outcome of this election. Not only are his or her personal opportunities and economic stability hinging on the next President of the United States, so too is the course we set for our posterity.

We can leave them to squabble for crumbs from a decaying economic pie, or we can provide them with a growing pie with ever more opportunity like we inherited from our forebearers.

We can leave them with a strong and respected national defense, or we can leave them weak and unprotected except by empty threats and bluster.

We can leave them with hope and a potential for moral rearmament, or we can leave them disconsolate and headlong toward self-destruction from internal moral crumbling.

In short, the decision is between building a framework for future freedom, or continuing our rapid national decline.

### Seniors Need Help - A New Direction

In closing, I would like to recall one of the most touching and personally inspiring articles I have read recently. It appeared in *NEWSWEEK* magazine on September 8, 1980, and was written by Bernard Sloan, the author of *The Best Friend You'll Ever Have*, a book on a related topic.

Mr. Sloan wrote of his wife's 74 year old Aunt Charlotte who lives in Brooklyn. Aunt Charlotte is a lady in the great American tradition, and she needs our help.

She went to work at age 17 for the telephone company, and worked her way up to customer-service representative through hard work, punctuality and dedication.

After a lifetime of worthy service, she was retired at the mandatory retirement age and sent home to sit and die.

Shortly thereafter, however, she responded to a



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call for help from the company to resolve serious problems within their provision of services for their customers.

Due to the ridiculous earnings limit, she was forced to give up her social security benefits, but she returned to work anyway. This time, however, she was sent to a dangerous neighborhood for her employment. She went anyway, and due to her competence and dedication to excellence, soon resolved the problem, and found herself once more retired and at home.

Aunt Charlotte's problems were, however, just beginning. Social planners in government moved scores of welfare families into her once quiet neighborhood, and with them a reign of criminal terror which victimized the old and the failing of health.

With drug abuse, profanity, purse snatchings, robberies, beatings and related abuse, Aunt Charlotte is faced with either struggling through the urban minefield or leaving. Living costs are still manageable where she now lives, and she refuses to burden others with the costs of moving to safer territory.

So being the type of person who would not take this lying down, Aunt Charlotte located a lovely senior citizens residence with all the amenities of senior living at its best. She found, however, that she was not eligible to live there. You see, she had saved her money, done without vacations to put away for retirement and a rainy day, and this home for seniors was only for the poor and penniless.

Many of those in this plush and safe surrounding had never saved, but spent freely, while Aunt

Charlotte had saved.

In fact, she found upon a closer check that none of the myriad senior programs she had heard about for years, and for which she had dutifully paid her taxes, were not for her. They, too, were only for the poor.

She even visited a sick lady in her building, and found the city provided her a homemaker, a nurse and cab fare to and from free medical care. Aunt Charlotte isn't eligible for this service either.

Mr. Sloan's words say best the way I feel. Should we re-direct ourselves in the 1980s to a new and more equitable manner of serving the needs of our people?

*"Perhaps the time has come to reconsider which of our citizens are entitled to first claim on our resources. In our haste to better the lives of the lowest economic level of our society, we have betrayed another, far larger and more deserving group. People who have worked hard, paid their taxes, contributed to their country. Shouldn't their needs be met first? Their housing, their neighborhoods, their security?"*

There are thousands of Aunt Charlottes in America. They need our help more than ever as government not only denies them assistance when they truly need it, government is the same agent that is forcing them into such needs by destroying the buying power of their meager savings, forcing social welfare classes upon them in their neighborhoods and denying them social security benefits if they work to help keep pace with inflation.

Ladies and Gentlemen, now is the time for Ronald Reagan.

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## Ronald Reagan For President

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Head of Florida Republican Senior Division; organized rally  
for Ronald Reagan in 1980.

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Medical doctor devoted to restoring patriotism; paid for  
guest speakers out of his own pocket to speak on the subject.

Waggoner Carr

Conservative Democrat; ex-Attorney General and House speaker in  
Texas; activist for tax cuts and Texas senior citizens.

Tommy Clifton        312-874-9336 (h)  
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Chicago, Illinois 60619  
Age 61; Black; Associates degree in Industrial Engineering; long  
social involvment; currently Post Office employee; received Thomas  
Jefferson Award; finalist for worker of the year; good Republican.

Erma Clardy Craven

Born November 2, 1917; Black Democrat; done social work in  
New York; worked at Smith College; member of U.S. delegation  
to the International Conference on Social Work in Helsinki;  
done alot of human services and children's work in Minnesota;  
pro-life and NAACP.



Deane Davis

Ex-Vermont governor; supporter of Reagan and Bob Schwettinger;  
nearly 80 years old.

Paul Gann

69 years old; anti-tax activist; 1980 GOP U.S. Senate candidate  
in California.

H.R. Gross

Arlington, Virginia

74 years old; ex-U.S. Representative from Iowa; longtime fiscal  
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Former Ambassador to New Zealand



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Will be 60 in June; member of Memphis Alcohol Commission 1977-80;  
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Age 64, from Denver Colorado; served 8 years as National  
Treasurer of American Association of University Women.



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Commission"

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Commission  
on Aging

★ Patrick Gann, 69, anti-tax activist, 1980 GOP  
U.S.A. - Senate candidate in Cal

★ William Jenner, former U.S. senator from  
Indiana.

Arlington, Va.

★ H. Ross Gross, -74, ex-U.S. Rep. from Iowa  
longtime fiscal conservative.

Ernest Vandiver, conservative Democrat,  
ex-Gov. of Georgia, very  
anti-Carter.

John Zwach, ex-U.S. Rep. from Minn. (R)

★ Ed Hutchison, ex-U.S. Rep. from Michigan  
(1962-76) ... once ranking  
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Post Office employee;  
received Thomas Jefferson  
Award; finalist for worker  
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~~in the destructive influence  
of Social Security~~

Erma Clardy Craven

Born NY, 2, 1917; ~~BA~~

BA~~3~~, Black democrat~~ia~~

done social work in New York;  
work at Smith College.

member of US delegation to  
the Int'l Conference on  
Social Work in Helsinki

Done alot of Human  
Services & Childrens Work  
in Minnesota; Pro-life;  
NAACP



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William Spurlock

Nacogdoches, Texas

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professor; currently in real  
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March 13, 1981

Hon. Richard S. Schweiker  
Secretary of Health and Human Services  
Office of the Secretary  
Washington, D.C. 20201

Dear Secretary Schweiker:

I noted in today's WASHINGTON POST that you have taken the bold and needed step of making the projected White House Conference on Aging your own.

I applaud your firing of those whose goals and organizations are opposed to the plans and the policies of you and President Reagan.

As the one national senior group completely ignored by the last regime, and the only group to endorse President Reagan's election, we are not positive about holding this conference at all.

Just as the White House Conference on Families and the International Year of the Woman proved to be public relations gimmicks for the liberal agenda, the aging conference is designed to provide the nation with the distinct impression that seniors in America are opposed to the Reagan economic and social policies, and support instead more of the same old tired policies that have brought us to the present demise of our economy.

The National Alliance of Senior Citizens, Inc. strongly supports immediately halting the conference, and replacing it with a distinctly different approach. To continue would yield only a public relations bonanza for the opposition. Even with "our" people in control, the program will not produce anything positive for the President and his program.

A much more viable program would be to conduct a "RONALD REAGAN SPEAKS TO THE SENIOR COMMUNITY" meeting in May (Older Americans Month), where the President speaks to friendly seniors at a meeting in Washington or another city. The NASC would certainly be receptive to holding its annual meeting at a place where the President would speak, and would provide for him a forum of friendly seniors to film and record his message about the value to the seniors of his programs.

All those now scheduled to attend the WHCOA would be asked to submit their comments in writing, and told the meeting was cancelled as part of the savings of tax dollars in the economy program. Further, a report would be written based on both the President's message and the input from the conference delegates through the mail.



Hon. Richard S. Schweiker, Page 2:

The President's message to the elderly would then be transmitted through both published reports to all senior news and senior center outlets, and distributed films to senior groups at the local level as well as a national broadcast of the message and some additional materials to include Mrs. Reagan with her favorite program, Foster Grandparents.

Obviously, this route would be most strenuously opposed by the very groups you relieved of position yesterday. Their agenda is strongly dependent on the meeting to embarrass the President, and its cancellation would bring a rash of public denunciations from them and others who are using this as a vehicle for publicity for their big spending and selfish interest goals.

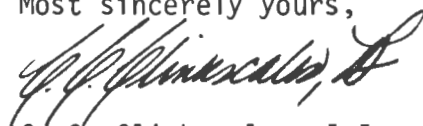
Also in opposition would be the new staff of the White House Conference on Aging. They now have jobs, and can plan on playing this conference their way. They are confident they can make it work to their (your) benefit, and will oppose any attempt to cut it off now. I personally believe it is far beyond their control, and can bring nothing but trouble to the Administration.

Because this is the topic of a meeting planned for several top members of the White House staff with us in the near future, I am sending copies of the letter to them.

Mr. Secretary, I cannot express how pleased we are for your timely and brave actions. I hope you will closely consider this request for a complete cancellation of this ill-fated meeting, and take that step along with the added ways to assure maximum benefit for the Administration and its most needed policies.

With best personal regards, and my wishes for your continued success, I remain

Most sincerely yours,



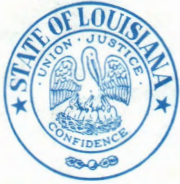
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cc: White House staff members







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July 16, 1981

The Honorable Russell B. Long  
United States Senator  
217 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Russell:

I am very much concerned about changes which might be made in the Social Security law and which would affect those who are over 65 at this time but are still employed.

As you know, in many instances those people who meet eligibility requirements at this time are still employed and are contributing additional funds to the system, as well as losing monthly benefits which, of course, redound to the benefit of the system. It occurs to me that whatever changes are made should not in any way affect those who, even though they are not receiving social security benefits at this time, do meet the existing requirements. I think this would be equitable and fair, and I feel that, unless some provision is made in the law to protect these people, there will be a large number of citizens throughout the United States who will be compelled to take Social Security retirement immediately at a great cost to the system and discouragement to the individuals involved.

I know you are extremely busy, and regret having to write you about this matter, but I thought it well worthwhile to call your attention to it.

Respectfully,

Earl J. Schmitt  
District 87

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cc; Mr. Morton Blackwell  
Veterans' Affairs Office  
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Mrs. J. W. Aubrey,  
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June 29, 1981

Dear NASC Member and Supporter:

The Board of Directors of the National Alliance of Senior Citizens, Inc. has proposed a revision of the By-Laws under which NASC operates, and I would deeply appreciate your taking the time to read it over, and to vote by proxy (in absentia) for or against the proposal.

The idea of having to marshall the membership for any small change in the By-Laws has made changes virtually impossible, but we now must make some change to allow those if we are to continue growing at the rate we are today. I urge you to vote in favor of the proposal, and to rush the vote back to me at your earliest possible convenience. If you disagree with the proposition, please vote no, but do vote.

NASC is making great progress with all facets of our work. One area in which we are hoping to make new strides is in the media. Many of the publications which reach the older citizen in America are very liberal. But, all of them deserve to hear our side of the issues so they will have a chance to know where we stand.

To reach them, we need their names and addresses. If you take a paper that is geared toward the senior community, or know of such a publication, please send the name and address of that paper to me so we can begin sending our news releases and our newsletter to them. I've left space on the back of this letter for you to list them.

One of our members suggested that she would like for us to send both Warren J. Lucas' PROTECTION MADE EASY and Admiral Ben Katz's NOW IS THE TIME to her local library so others could share the benefits of these fine books. I think the idea is splendid, and if you would like for us to send these books to your local library, or any library you choose, a space is provided on the reverse side of this page for that.

If you don't already have your copies, order them today. PROTECTION MADE EASY could save your life, and \$6.70 is a small sum for such a possible benefit.

Thank you for your every help, and may God bless you.

Sincerely yours,

C. C. Clinkscales, III  
National Director

PLEASE TURN THE PAGE AND VOTE ON THE BY-LAW REVISION.



Dear Curt:

I am an NASC member in good standing, and understand the urgency of the By-Laws meeting which will occur on July 15, 1981 at the National Headquarters of the National Alliance of Senior Citizens, Inc. at 101 Park Washington Court, Falls Church, VA at 10 O'Clock AM.

( ) I hereby grant to C. C. Clinkscales, III, Mrs. Elizabeth S. Cowles, and Mrs. J. W. Aubrey a voting proxy to cast my vote on the proposed By-Law revision as stated herein at the July 14, 1981 meeting:

\*\*\*\* Change Article IX from: "These by-laws may be amended by the affirmative votes of a majority of the members voting at any regular or special meeting of the Alliance after having been proposed by the Executive Committee, the Board of Directors or petition by at least ten percent of the membership-at-large. Notice of each amendment and the nature of each shall have been given to the membership at least two weeks prior to the date of the meeting at which the amendment is to be presented for consideration. Members may vote by letter to the Secretary of the Alliance."

\*\*\*\* To: "These By-Laws may be amended by a majority vote of the Board of Directors present at a duly constituted meeting of the Board of Directors at which a quorum is present as provided in By-Law VII, Section 3."

The leadership of the National Alliance of Senior Citizens, Inc. have requested this change to allow needed By-Law revisions in a timely and expeditious manner, rather than having to wait up to one year as is presently required, and to remedy the unwieldy situation of requiring a majority of membership present and voting as our membership has far exceeded our ability to hold such meetings.

\*\*\*\* I ( ) Favor ( ) Oppose the proposed By-Laws revision.

( ) Please send # \_\_\_\_\_ copy(ies) of PROTECTION MADE EASY at \$5.95 each plus 75¢ for postage and handling.

( ) Please send # \_\_\_\_\_ copy(ies) of NOW IS THE TIME at \$2.75 each plus 75¢ for postage and handling.

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( ) I want to help NASC with my donation in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

( ) I've listed the names and addresses of senior publications I know:

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Dear NASC Member or Supporter:

May is Older American's Month, and a time for each of us to think of those who have worked to help the nation's senior community and fixed income people in the last 12 months.

Our SEVENTH ANNUAL GOLDEN AGE INDEX is enclosed for your review. It tells how your elected Representatives and Senators voted on issues of particular importance to the nation's senior community. These include CRIME, INFLATION and ENDING BIG GOVERNMENT.

I hope you will look over your copy of the index, and let others know how your Congressman and both your Senators voted on matters of particular interest to the older person. If they were 90 - 100% in our scorecard, let them know you appreciate their votes for the senior. If they were in the 0 - 30% range, let them know you don't like how they vote in Washington.

The announcement of President Reagan's proposals to reform the Social Security program came as a great blessing to the senior community. It means he fulfilled his promises to the older Americans not to take away from their Social Security benefits, and to remove the repressive earnings limit against Social Security recipients.

For the full seven years of the Alliance, we have lobbied hard to remove this harsh taxation of the earnings of working seniors. Last Fall we urged Ronald Reagan to promise to end this form of mandatory retirement. He did. And as a man of his word, he has asked Congress to phase out the earnings limit.

Now its up to us to let our elected Representatives know that we will accept nothing less than the total phase out of this program. I hope you'll let your Senators and Congressman know you want this done.

NASC issued a national news release to inform the public of our wholehearted support for President Reagan's program for Social Security reform, and was most heartened by the response from seniors nationwide.

NASC hopes this will result in another big Ronald Reagan victory for the people on Capitol Hill. His big win on the budget was a fine first step toward restoring fiscal sanity to Washington, but it was only the first of many, many battles this year.

We must all keep the pressure on our elected officials to pass the President's economic recovery program, or we'll see it buried by liberal Congressmen and Senators.



It is instructive that the liberals led by Tip O'Neill and Robert Byrd of West Virginia have signaled their new offensive against Reagan on the issue of Social Security.

They and their liberal allies have brought about the bankruptcy of Social Security by loading it with welfare benefits to everyone they could think of in their mad drive to be re-elected year after year. Now when the well has gone dry, they scream bloody murder as if they had nothing to do with the present destruction of Social Security Mr. Reagan is trying to save.

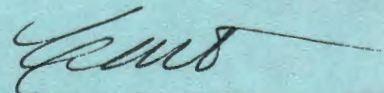
As expected, the AFL-CIO's National Council of Senior Citizens condemned the President. They share equal blame for the problems of Social Security and the present empty Social Security treasury, so they are doing all they can to point the finger away from themselves.

I hope you will continue to support the National Alliance's efforts to save Social Security and stop crime. Without you and your investments in the future of freedom in America, there would be no Alliance.

Below, I've listed several of the important items we have available for you to order if you don't already have them. Please let me know if we can send them to you.

With best regards, and my prayers for your health and good spirits, I remain

Most sincerely yours,



C. C. Clinkscales, III  
National Director

P.S. I hope you have ordered your own copy of PROTECTION MADE EASY. I note the crime statistics show crime is up again this year. Please don't ignore the threat until its too late - and you wish you hadn't.

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Dear Curt:

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I support the work of the Alliance to help stop crime and to save our Social Security program.

- ( ) Enclosed is my donation for NASC's vital work in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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# The National Alliance of Senior Citizens' Seventh Annual Golden Age Index

The National Alliance of Senior Citizens (NASC) is pleased to release its SEVENTH ANNUAL *Golden Age Index*. This rating covers the 96th Congress, Second Session (1980).

The *Golden Age Index* is based on key votes in Congress to limit deficit spending, halt inflation, cut taxes, end the national crime wave and halt the march of government intrusion into every aspect of our lives.

Seniors too often live on low, fixed incomes, and cannot afford the loss of purchasing power from liberal social welfare programs and the inflation they cause.

NASC supports sound fiscal policies, an end to wasteful government programs and tough law enforcement aimed at getting criminals off the streets to protect the public.

The *Golden Age Index* tells senior Americans how their elected Representative and their Senators vote in Congress on issues of particular interest to them.

Votes were compiled from the *Congressional Quarterly* with those paired or announced for or against counted in the appropriate category. "R" signifies a RIGHT vote for seniors, while "W" means a WRONG vote for seniors. The (—) notes a vote without a stated position or a "present" vote.

## United States Senate

**1. RIGHTS OF THE INSTITUTIONALIZED (S 10) - Danforth (R-MO)** Amendment to limit federal intrusion into institutions without substantial evidence of wrongdoing. Rejected 42-48 on 2/28/80. YES IS RIGHT. Prisons are for punishment, not social events.

**2. JUSTICE DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZATION (S 2377) - Metzbaum (D-OH)** motion to KILL Helms (R-NC) Amendment to re-institute death penalty for certain federal crimes. Rejected 38-50 on 6/18/80. NO IS RIGHT. Death penalty is valid deterrent to crime if applied.

**3. FISCAL 1981 BUDGET TARGETS (S Con Res 86) - Chiles (D-OH)** Amendment to prohibit federal agencies from issuing new regulations that increase costs or prices unless offset by reduction in other regulations. Adopted 53-34 on 5/7/80. YES IS RIGHT. Government regulations are a major inflationary force. This can help.

**4. FISCAL 1981 BUDGET TARGERS (S Con Res 86) - Bellmon (R-OK)** motion to KILL Jepsen (R-IA) Amendment to create budget surplus, and apply it to reducing national debt. Motion approved 58-36 on 5/12/80. NO IS RIGHT. This could have helped reduce inflation because debt is root cause of inflation.

**5. DISABILITY INSURANCE (HR 3236) - Metzbaum (D-OH)** Amendment to limit disability benefits to 100% of previous wages. Rejected 47-47 on 1/30/80. NO IS RIGHT. Program is already the most abused in government, and this would have guaranteed further abuse. Limit should be far below working wages.

**6. DEBT LIMIT EXTENSION (H J Res 569) - Long (D-LA)**

motion to KILL Dole (R-KS) Amendment to cut taxes by 10% in 1981 and other tax benefits. Motion approved 58-38 on 6/26/80. NO IS RIGHT. Seniors and all Americans benefit from cutting high taxes and stimulating growth in the economy.

**7. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (S 2719) - Stewart (D-AL)** Amendment to Armstrong (R-CO) Amendment to reduce income eligibility for subsidized rent payments to 70% of area median income. Rejected 30-34 on 6/21/80. NO IS RIGHT. 70% is entirely too high. Armstrong proposed 50%, a more realistic figure.

**8. FISCAL 1980 FOOD STAMP SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION (H J Res 545) - McClure (R-ID)** Amendment to eliminate waste and fraud in program. Rejected 35-52 on 5/14/80. YES IS RIGHT. Few programs are as wasteful and fraud-ridden as food stamps. This measure was a first step to cleaning it up.

**9. LEGAL SERVICES CORP. (S 2337) - Nelson (D-WI)** motion to KILL Helms (R-NC) Amendment to prohibit legal services lawyers from seeking to influence Congress or state legislatures. Motion approved 36-33 on 6/13/80. NO IS RIGHT. Those receiving tax support should never be allowed to use that money to influence legislation.

**10. MULTI-EMPLOYER PENSION PLANS (HR 3904) - Wallop (R-WY)** Amendment to protect small business pension plans from high costs associated with low \$50,000 minimum invested obligations by raising it to \$100,000. Approved 47-42 on 7/29/80. YES IS RIGHT. Helped passage of measure to tighten requirements and reduce taxpayer liability for multi-employer pension plans.

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**U.S. House of Representatives (Continued)**

**6. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (HR-7262) - Wylie (R-OH) Amendment to prohibit certain tax assistance to areas with rent control laws that would apply to such aid. Adopted 239-162 on 8/21/80. YES IS RIGHT. Rent controls cause housing shortages, and should not be subsidized by taxpayers.**

**7. FOOD STAMPS (S 1309) - Fenwick (R-NJ) Amendment to restore purchase requirement for food stamps except for aged, blind and disabled. Rejected 154-248 on 5/8/80. YES IS RIGHT. Purchase requirement is way to halt outrageous abuses of this wasteful and fraud-ridden program.**

**8. STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS, FISCAL 1981 (HR 7584) - Conable (R-NY) Amend-**

**ment to cut Legal Services Corporation appropriation by over \$21 million. Rejected 197-215 on 7/23/80. YES IS RIGHT. This federal boondoggle should be totally eliminated, and such a cut was acceptable first step.**

**9. MULTI-EMPLOYER PENSION PLANS (HR-3904) - Erlenborn (R-IL) Amendment to increase benefit guarantees for plans that amortize cost of unfunded liabilities over 20, not 30 years. Rejected 160-218 on 5/22/80. YES IS RIGHT. Measure would have assisted in securing pension plans from possible future insolvency.**

**10. UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION/PENSION OFFSET (RH 5507) - Rousselot (R-CA) motion to change effective date of unemployment compensation reduction required until 7/1/81 from 1/1/82. Rejected 188-215 on 2/6/80. YES IS RIGHT. Measure would help assure people don't sit at home drawing unemployment instead of seeking work.**

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