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SULLIVAN COUNTY	Register Of Deeds			Register Of Probate		
	La Forge, d	Truell, d	Scattering, d	Mac Williams, d	Reney, d	Scattering, d
September 12, 1972						
Democratic						
Acworth . . . . .	—	—	—	1	—	—
Charlestown . . . . .	5	—	—	5	—	—
Claremont —						
Ward 1 . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ward 2 . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ward 3 . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cornish . . . . .	—	—	1	—	—	—
Croydon . . . . .	1	—	1	1	—	—
Goshen . . . . .	1	—	4	1	—	2
Grantham . . . . .	—	—	1	—	—	1
Langdon . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—
Lempster . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—
Newport . . . . .	17	14	—	26	20	—
Plainfield . . . . .	1	—	2	1	—	—
Springfield . . . . .	2	—	—	3	—	2
Sunapee . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—
Unity . . . . .	1	—	2	1	—	1
Washington . . . . .	1	—	—	1	—	—
Totals . . . . .	29	14	11	40	20	4

SULLIVAN COUNTY	COMMISSIONERS						
	1st District		2nd District		3rd District		
	Laramie, d	Scattering, d	Perkinson, d	Scattering, d	Bascom, d	Bennett, d	Scattering, d
September 12, 1972							
Democratic							
Acworth . . . . .	6	—	4	—	2	—	—
Charlestown . . . . .	64	1	65	—	1	1	1
Claremont —							
Ward 1 . . . . .	205	—	158	—	—	—	—
Ward 2 . . . . .	229	—	172	—	—	—	—
Ward 3 . . . . .	363	—	278	—	—	—	—
Cornish . . . . .	39	—	34	—	—	—	—
Croydon . . . . .	16	—	20	—	—	—	—
Goshen . . . . .	14	—	13	—	—	1	1
Grantham . . . . .	4	—	5	—	—	—	—
Langdon . . . . .	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
Lempster . . . . .	10	—	9	—	3	—	—
Newport . . . . .	295	—	283	4	—	2	5
Plainfield . . . . .	34	—	32	7	—	—	—
Springfield . . . . .	10	—	12	—	1	—	1
Sunapee . . . . .	46	—	46	—	—	—	—
Unity . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Washington . . . . .	8	—	8	—	—	1	—
Totals . . . . .	1344	1	1140	5	7	5	8

TOTAL REGISTERED REPUBLICANS AND DEMOCRATS  
AS OF SEPTEMBER 12, 1972

SUMMARY BY COUNTIES	REPUBLICANS	DEMOCRATS
Belknap . . . . .	10723	5083
Carroll . . . . .	9770	1915
Cheshire . . . . .	12665	7241
Coos . . . . .	7253	8228
Grafton . . . . .	16417	7421
Hillsborough . . . . .	41269	51896
Merrimack . . . . .	22000	10569
Rockingham . . . . .	36794	19262
Strafford . . . . .	12510	11899
Sullivan . . . . .	7653	5851
Totals . . . . .	177054	129365

BELKNAP COUNTY September 12, 1972			CARROLL COUNTY September 12, 1972		
	Republicans	Democrats		Republicans	Democrats
Alton . . . . .	951	203	Albany . . . . .	75	38
Barnstead . . . . .	392	220	Bartlett . . . . .	501	87
Belmont . . . . .	600	322	Brookfield . . . . .	200	16
Center Harbor . . . . .	200	76	Chatham . . . . .	20	17
Gilford . . . . .	1293	322	Conway . . . . .	2686	574
Gilmanton . . . . .	513	166	Eaton . . . . .	127	30
Laconia —			Effingham . . . . .	188	68
Ward 1 . . . . .	789	260	Freedom . . . . .	162	35
Ward 2 . . . . .	563	855	Hart's Loc. . . . .	9	3
Ward 3 . . . . .	303	156	Hale's Loc. . . . .	—	—
Ward 4 . . . . .	66	331	Jackson . . . . .	145	36
Ward 5 . . . . .	616	464	Madison . . . . .	300	50
Ward 6 . . . . .	1072	524	Moultonborough . . . . .	724	126
Meredith . . . . .	1260	419	Ossipee . . . . .	758	139
New Hampton . . . . .	355	134	Sandwich . . . . .	415	85
Sanbornton . . . . .	392	153	Tamworth . . . . .	568	182
Tilton . . . . .	758	428	Tuftonboro . . . . .	747	54
	10723	5083	Wakefield . . . . .	705	127
			Wolfeboro . . . . .	1440	248
			Totals . . . . .	9770	1915

CHESHIRE COUNTY		COOS COUNTY			
September 12, 1972		September 12, 1972			
	Republicans	Democrats			
			Republicans		
			Democrats		
Alstead . . . . .	403	156	Atk.&Gil. Ac. Gt. . . . .	—	—
Chesterfield . . . . .	641	287	Bean's Grant . . . . .	—	—
Dublin . . . . .	364	138	Bean's Purchase . . . . .	—	—
Fitzwilliam . . . . .	511	131	Berlin — . . . . .	—	—
Gilsum . . . . .	97	68	Ward 1 . . . . .	413	1203
Harrisville . . . . .	140	107	Ward 2 . . . . .	607	1311
Hinsdale . . . . .	601	395	Ward 3 . . . . .	1072	970
Jaffrey . . . . .	872	654	Ward 4 . . . . .	152	1581
Keene — . . . . .	—	—	Cambridge . . . . .	—	—
Ward 1 . . . . .	738	538	Carroll . . . . .	131	90
Ward 2 . . . . .	737	499	Chandler's Pur. . . . .	—	—
Ward 3 . . . . .	773	391	Clarksville . . . . .	53	31
Ward 4 . . . . .	1411	687	Colebrook . . . . .	682	236
Ward 5 . . . . .	833	524	Columbia . . . . .	90	42
Marlborough . . . . .	413	231	Crawford's Pur. . . . .	—	—
Marlow . . . . .	131	70	Cutt's Gt. . . . .	—	—
Nelson . . . . .	152	48	Dalton . . . . .	126	93
Richmond . . . . .	104	48	Dix's Grant . . . . .	—	—
Rindge . . . . .	489	256	Dixville . . . . .	13	7
Roxbury . . . . .	48	19	Dummer . . . . .	73	46
Stoddard . . . . .	98	28	Errol . . . . .	55	11
Sullivan . . . . .	110	74	Erving's Gt. or Loc. . . . .	—	—
Surry . . . . .	137	50	Gorham . . . . .	574	682
Swanzy . . . . .	917	511	Green's Grant . . . . .	—	—
Troy . . . . .	238	367	Hadley's Pur. . . . .	—	—
Walpole . . . . .	893	367	Jefferson . . . . .	210	47
Westmoreland . . . . .	328	117	Kilkenny . . . . .	—	—
Winchester . . . . .	486	480	Lancaster . . . . .	955	325
Totals . . . . .	12665	7241	Low&Burbank's Gt. . . . .	—	—
			Martin's Loc. . . . .	—	—
			Milan . . . . .	172	126
			Millsfield . . . . .	6	1
			Northumberland . . . . .	450	747
			Odell . . . . .	—	—
			Pinkham's Gt. . . . .	—	—
			Pittsburg . . . . .	281	93
			Randolph . . . . .	157	16
			Sargent's Pur. . . . .	—	—
			Second College Gt. . . . .	—	—
			Shelburne . . . . .	102	34
			Stark . . . . .	39	16
			Stewartstown . . . . .	110	170
			Success . . . . .	—	—
			Thomp.& Mes's Pur. . . . .	—	—
			Wentworth's Loc. . . . .	9	9
			Whitefield . . . . .	513	232
			Totals . . . . .	7253	8228

GRAFTON COUNTY			HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY		
September 12, 1972	Republicans	Democrats	September 12, 1972	Republicans	Democrats
Alexandria . . . . .	168	80	Amherst . . . . .	1544	305
Ashland . . . . .	514	234	Antrim . . . . .	553	240
Bath . . . . .	251	28	Bedford . . . . .	1790	977
Benton . . . . .	33	5	Bennington . . . . .	224	92
Bethlehem . . . . .	504	181	Brookline . . . . .	344	185
Bridgewater . . . . .	227	61	Deering . . . . .	180	60
Bristol . . . . .	704	164	Francesstown . . . . .	292	55
Campton . . . . .	470	127	Goffstown . . . . .	2282	2040
Canaan . . . . .	589	332	Greenfield . . . . .	131	40
Dorchester . . . . .	80	22	Greenville . . . . .	213	472
Easton . . . . .	53	20	Hancock . . . . .	489	107
Ellsworth . . . . .	11	—	Hillsborough . . . . .	717	280
Enfield . . . . .	550	435	Hollis . . . . .	1052	285
Franconia . . . . .	239	128	Hudson . . . . .	1616	2247
Grafton . . . . .	137	68	Litchfield . . . . .	294	282
Groton . . . . .	45	45	Lyndeborough . . . . .	222	46
Hanover . . . . .	1835	1407	Manchester —		
Haverhill . . . . .	1030	222	Ward 1 . . . . .	2377	1543
Hebron . . . . .	115	19	Ward 2 . . . . .	1790	1897
Holderness . . . . .	508	111	Ward 3 . . . . .	1008	2364
Landaff . . . . .	65	11	Ward 4 . . . . .	1120	2224
Lebanon —			Ward 5 . . . . .	696	2497
Ward 1 . . . . .	708	498	Ward 6 . . . . .	1123	2297
Ward 2 . . . . .	463	520	Ward 7 . . . . .	843	2554
Ward 3 . . . . .	820	465	Ward 8 . . . . .	1034	1896
Lincoln . . . . .	214	320	Ward 9 . . . . .	683	2588
Lisbon . . . . .	395	164	Ward 10 . . . . .	1206	2333
Livermore . . . . .	—	—	Ward 11 . . . . .	526	2456
Littleton . . . . .	1654	684	Ward 12 . . . . .	823	2730
Lyman . . . . .	60	52	Mason . . . . .	157	63
Lyme . . . . .	376	141	Merrimack . . . . .	1283	951
Monroe . . . . .	192	55	Milford . . . . .	1969	1035
Orange . . . . .	50	29	Mont Vernon . . . . .	301	95
Orford . . . . .	362	57	Nashua —		
Piermont . . . . .	304	28	Ward 1 . . . . .	1042	974
Plymouth . . . . .	1181	236	Ward 2 . . . . .	1470	856
Rumney . . . . .	356	107	Ward 3 . . . . .	821	1226
Sugar Hill . . . . .	156	31	Ward 4 . . . . .	484	1474
Thornton . . . . .	259	55	Ward 5 . . . . .	447	1281
Warren . . . . .	250	40	Ward 6 . . . . .	632	1779
Waterville Valley . . . . .	57	40	Ward 7 . . . . .	516	1907
Wentworth . . . . .	177	36	Ward 8 . . . . .	1070	1264
Woodstock . . . . .	255	163	Ward 9 . . . . .	613	843
Totals . . . . .	16417	7421	New Boston . . . . .	436	145
			New Ipswich . . . . .	463	313
			Pelham . . . . .	942	1272
			Peterborough . . . . .	1582	502
			Sharon . . . . .	48	13
			Temple . . . . .	269	49
			Weare . . . . .	723	268
			Wilton . . . . .	804	483
			Windsor . . . . .	25	11
			Totals . . . . .	41,269	51,896

MERRIMACK COUNTY			ROCKINGHAM COUNTY		
September 12, 1972	Republicans	Democrats	September 12, 1972	Republicans	Democrats
Allenstown . . . . .	238	970	Atkinson . . . . .	660	307
Andover . . . . .	436	234	Auburn . . . . .	505	369
Boscawen . . . . .	647	245	Brentwood . . . . .	491	116
Bow . . . . .	1123	216	Candia . . . . .	730	196
Bradford . . . . .	345	70	Chester . . . . .	564	52
Canterbury . . . . .	316	98	Danville . . . . .	323	113
Chichester . . . . .	349	84	Deerfield . . . . .	452	191
Concord —			Derry . . . . .	3731	1687
Ward 1 . . . . .	649	382	East Kingston . . . . .	286	126
Ward 2 . . . . .	1170	310	Epping . . . . .	524	544
Ward 3 . . . . .	939	210	Exeter . . . . .	3553	1018
Ward 4 . . . . .	996	328	Fremont . . . . .	394	139
Ward 5 . . . . .	733	183	Greenland . . . . .	517	120
Ward 6 . . . . .	698	419	Hampstead . . . . .	1035	339
Ward 7 . . . . .	1371	325	Hampton . . . . .	2532	1046
Ward 8 . . . . .	1191	446	Hampton Falls . . . . .	544	113
Danbury . . . . .	148	52	Kensington . . . . .	320	157
Dunbarton . . . . .	350	121	Kingston . . . . .	914	376
Epsom . . . . .	438	159	Londonderry . . . . .	1072	516
Franklin —			New Castle . . . . .	340	133
Ward 1 . . . . .	523	314	Newfields . . . . .	292	101
Ward 2 . . . . .	248	538	Newington . . . . .	206	77
Ward 3 . . . . .	384	361	Newmarket . . . . .	407	1247
Henniker . . . . .	664	234	Newton . . . . .	456	231
Hill . . . . .	164	21	North Hampton . . . . .	1079	363
Hooksett . . . . .	1118	1154	Northwood . . . . .	580	173
Hopkinton . . . . .	1462	358	Nottingham . . . . .	278	118
Loudon . . . . .	381	214	Plaistow . . . . .	1474	826
Newbury . . . . .	309	86	Portsmouth —		
New London . . . . .	1113	158	Ward 1 . . . . .	485	472
Northfield . . . . .	549	337	Ward 2 . . . . .	603	356
Pembroke . . . . .	1000	1155	Ward 3 . . . . .	302	203
Pittsfield . . . . .	625	342	Ward 4 . . . . .	536	346
Salisbury . . . . .	154	78	Ward 5 . . . . .	538	371
Sutton . . . . .	219	73	Ward 6 . . . . .	204	258
Warner . . . . .	618	139	Raymond . . . . .	840	500
Webster . . . . .	211	77	Rye . . . . .	1451	375
Wilmot . . . . .	171	78	Salem . . . . .	4497	4311
Totals . . . . .	22000	10569	Sandown . . . . .	307	108
			Seabrook . . . . .	1119	332
			South Hampton . . . . .	151	97
			Stratham . . . . .	627	165
			Windham . . . . .	875	574
			Totals . . . . .	36794	19262

STRAFFORD COUNTY			SULLIVAN COUNTY		
September 12, 1972	Republicans	Democrats	September 12, 1972	Republicans	Democrats
Barrington . . . . .	526	238	Acworth . . . . .	145	48
Dover —			Charlestown . . . .	837	496
Ward 1 . . . . .	504	407	Claremont —		
Ward 2 . . . . .	377	680	Ward 1 . . . . .	724	793
Ward 3 . . . . .	619	611	Ward 2 . . . . .	1420	1072
Ward 4 . . . . .	637	404	Ward 3 . . . . .	606	1277
Ward 5 . . . . .	896	407	Cornish . . . . .	372	152
Ward 6 . . . . .	469	330	Croydon . . . . .	145	54
Durham . . . . .	1600	928	Goshen . . . . .	127	71
Farmington . . . . .	929	552	Grantham . . . . .	96	57
Lee . . . . .	433	227	Langdon . . . . .	128	26
Madbury . . . . .	173	70	Lempster . . . . .	122	41
Middleton . . . . .	22	12	Newport . . . . .	1471	1203
Milton . . . . .	503	304	Plainfield . . . . .	366	164
New Durham . . . . .	236	72	Springfield . . . . .	177	42
Rochester —			Sunapee . . . . .	714	216
Ward 1 . . . . .	585	360	Unity . . . . .	109	120
Ward 2 . . . . .	721	512	Washington . . . . .	—94	19
Ward 3 . . . . .	411	468			
Ward 4 . . . . .	583	989	Totals . . . . .	7653	5851
Ward 5 . . . . .	669	403			
Rollinsford . . . . .	364	573			
Somersworth —					
Ward 1 . . . . .	142	358			
Ward 2 . . . . .	259	698			
Ward 3 . . . . .	285	902			
Ward 4 . . . . .	118	854			
Ward 5 . . . . .	43	417			
Strafford . . . . .	406	123			
Totals . . . . .	12510	11899			



### RECOUNTS AFTER THE PRIMARY

After the Primary, ten recounts of ballots were conducted by the Secretary of State, October 2, 1972; three recounts were Republican contests, and seven were Democratic contests.

One of the recounts resulted in a change in Cheshire County Representative District No. 1 – Republican. The other recounts did not result in a change of nominee.

In Grafton County Representative District No. 6 – Republican, the recount resulted in a tie vote between Paul I. LaMott and Ezra B. Mann II. The tie was broken by drawing lots and Ezra B. Mann II won the tie.

Following are the tables, with the nominees of the Republican and Democratic parties indicated by an asterisk.

#### REPUBLICAN RECOUNTS

##### REPRESENTATIVES

##### CHESHIRE COUNTY

##### District No. 1

		Recount
Robert L. Galloway	322	342*
Jutta-Maria Goss	242	242
Edward A. Johnson	383	382*
Sheldon S. Sawyer	365	362*
Benjamin D. Roman	337#	327#

#Write-in votes.

##### GRAFTON COUNTY

##### District No. 6

		Recount
Anthony K. Jones	449	448*
Paul I. LaMott	406	406
Ezra B. Mann II	407	406*

##### ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

##### District No. 9

		Recount
Warren G. Bakie	438	435
Wayne E. Martin	464	465
Leonard F. Sanborn	470	473*
Annie Mae Schwaner	477	475*
Paul H. Simard	498	498*
K. Michael Tavitian	539	537*

#### DEMOCRATIC RECOUNTS

##### STATE SENATOR

##### District No. 10

		Recount
Clesson J. Blaisdell	509	509*
Robert L. Mallat, Jr.	503	507
R. J. Shortlidge, Jr.	401	399

##### REPRESENTATIVES

##### HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

##### Manchester – Ward 3

		Recount
William J. Coulter	346	345
William F. Horan, Jr.	363	362*
Jon R. Levesque	358	356
Theodora P. Nardi	370	376*

William Roberge	352	355
Craig D. Smith	370	372*
Chris Spirou	748	742*

Manchester — Ward 4		Recount
Joseph J. Bagoian	351	349
Llody G. Basinov	348	349
Rita M. Brack	382	383
George A. Bruton	423	419*
James Chiavaras	104	103
Joseph L. Cote	573	571*
William J. Cullity	485	491*
Robert L. Robinson	391	390
Barbara F. Shea	548	549*

Manchester — Ward 5		Recount
William F. Barrett	430	428*
Claude E. Dupont	421	415*
Daniel J. Healy	469	478*
Roger B. Larochele	333	336
John T. Lynch	404	408
William J. McDonough	474	483*
Viola V. Reardon	284	280
Andre J. Simard	357	362
Edward E. Vachon	404	402

Manchester — Ward 7		Recount
Emile D. Beaulieu	586	589*
Emile E. Boisvert	300	307
Edward Champagne	345	352*
Michel Chevrette	314	318
Emile J. Desgrosseillers	259	256
David L. Gelinis	914	914*
Charles J. Leclerc	333	337
Henry O. Lemay	347	349*
Armand J. Lemieux	171	169
Raymond F. Lewis	207	207
Roland J. St. Onge	256	256
James E. Sweeney	320	320

## STRAFFORD COUNTY

Dover — Ward 2		Recount
Mary E. Bernard	184	185*
Alice F. Blanchette	183	183
Helene R. Donnelly	221	221*
Sadie Webber	86	86

## MODERATOR

Manchester — Ward 3		Recount
Michael K. Brown	452	451
Edward Grandmaison	458	456*



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## REPUBLICAN ORGANIZATION

### REPUBLICAN STATE PLATFORM

#### PREAMBLE TO THE 1972 REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION PLATFORM

We, the Republican Party in Convention assembled at Manchester, on Saturday, the 30th day of September in the year of Our Lord 1972 do hereby adopt the following statements of principle and beliefs for our Party for the next biennium of the State of New Hampshire.

We must attempt to improve government in ways which government can reasonably be expected to improve, with full realization that government will always face continuing problems. Our recommendations must balance desire to serve with practical realities.

We fully endorse the Republican Party's entire National Platform.

We reaffirm the Federal constitutional right to govern ourselves as a free, sovereign and independent state except for those powers expressly delegated to the Federal government, and we urge recognition of this fact by the Federal government.

We urge greater participation in government by all the voters.

We recommend that no non-funded programs be imposed by the State on subsidiary levels of governments.

We commend the action of the President in increasing oil imports to alleviate possible fuel oil shortages.

### HUMAN RESOURCES

#### Social Services

In order to better serve the people of New Hampshire, we urge that every effort be made to improve our state institutions and to strive toward the re-accreditation of the New Hampshire Hospital.

We urge continued support of the Community Mental Health Clinics.

#### Education — Public Schools

We firmly believe the time is long past when there should be an in-depth analysis of our present public education system. We seek greater emphasis of Vocational education in our secondary schools.

The Republican Party reaffirms continuing support for assistance to non public schools.

#### Higher Education

Under present conditions, in higher education we will resist the

conversion of Vocational-Technical Colleges to Liberal Arts Junior Colleges, and strongly support our commuter college expansion.

To assure continued public confidence in the University system we recommend that the University of New Hampshire subscribe to the same budgetary and accounting requirements as do all state departments and agencies.

We further recommend that a strong effort should be made to reduce tuition for in-state students.

We urge the University of New Hampshire trustees to reinstate the "Deferred Payment Program" for in-state students.

## NATURAL AND ECONOMIC RESOURCES

### Environment

Our natural resources and environment must be protected by the enactment of basic land development control laws based on sound land management factors.

We should continue with all possible speed the cleanup of our air, lakes and rivers; however, the elimination of pollution should follow careful weighing of the full economic impact of such action.

The present open space law is inadequate. We will support open space legislation which offers proper and equitable taxation on agricultural, forest, recreation, and wild land with suitable safeguards when open space is converted to other uses.

### Recreation

We will continue the orderly and prosperous expansion of New Hampshire recreational facilities. We recommend that New Hampshire residents receive preferential treatment at state operated recreational facilities, and in hunting and fishing seasons, and in the assessment of fees.

We reaffirm our pledge to encourage orderly expansion and development of recreational areas by the private sector.

We pledge to develop the sport of snowmobiling under proper regulations which protect individual property owners and provide for planned and developed trails.

### Industrial Development

We pledge to seek and promote the establishment, in our state, of new high-wage industry and to assist our present industries to develop to their fullest potential.

We recommend early development of agricultural and horticultural and silvicultural activities specially geared to our farms and terrain.

### **Transportation**

We pledge to support, as a high priority, a toll free east-west highway from Portsmouth to Keene; and the extension of the Spaulding Turnpike to Berlin, and we support the development of a suitable mass transportation system within the state.

We strongly endorse the efforts of our senior United States Senator to preserve commercial air transportation for our state and recommend the development of a long range program for the improvement and expansion of airports and facilities for private planes.

### **Labor**

The Republican Party is proud of the harmony in labor industry relations in our state and we pledge to support policies which will continue this relationship.

### **LAW AND ORDER WITH JUSTICE**

We urge that the age of 18 be considered as the age of majority.

We urge mandatory long-term prison sentences without parole for convicted traffickers of heroin and other hard drugs.

We urge the state to solicit the aid of the Bar Association in a review of judicial procedures aimed at expediting the administration of justice.

We honor the constitutional right of every citizen to possess firearms legally but urge more severe penalties for those who use such weapons in the commission of a crime.

We endorse increased Resources for the Consumer Protection Division in the Office of the Attorney General to take full advantage of the services being provided.

### **OPERATION OF GOVERNMENT**

All levels of government should be encouraged to operate as economically and efficiently as possible; and with maximum responsiveness to true public needs.

Adequate planning, budgeting, audit and performance controls should be encouraged on all levels of government with total public knowledge made freely available.

A strong conflict of interest law requiring full disclosure should be enacted at the earliest possible time to insure the public trust and confidence in all officials and their actions.

Annual Legislative sessions are a keystone to a more responsive and effective modern Legislature and we recommend the adoption of this constitutional amendment by the voters in November.

We endorse improved communication between local and state government to assure settlement of as many problems as possible at the local level.

We endorse the proposed Constitutional Convention which, if approved by the voters, would serve as an additional strong information channel between the people and their government and we urge active participation on the part of all voters.

Electronic roll-calls are needed to better inform the public of their Representatives' actions and more modern techniques and research should be adopted by the Legislature to provide a more solid basis for Legislative decisions.

State programs can be maintained within the existing tax structure without imposition of a general income tax or a general sales tax. We will oppose either of these taxes.

The impact of high property taxes on New Hampshire citizens must be alleviated through specific attention to methods to expand existing programs for tax relief for the elderly and general consideration of methods to strengthen and improve administration of existing taxes — particularly the property tax.

We urge the study and preparation of a fair mobile home law that carefully defines the rights and responsibilities of mobile home owners, park owners and our communities.

The matter of financing public education by other than the locally-assessed property tax, already in the Federal courts, is currently under continuing study, which we approve.

We reaffirm our pledge that the salary and wage policy for state employees be based upon equal work and that salaries meet prevailing rates for local area states. We should take care of those employees we have before we talk about putting on new ones.

We are in favor of increased fringe benefits to state employees and members of the Retirement Systems. We urge careful consideration of and appropriate action on the recommendations of the Personnel Management Commission.

### CONCLUSION

Embracing many different philosophies, appealing to the people of all ages, of all conditions, of all walks of life, we offer these concrete proposals to assure Republican Party unity and victory in November.



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