

STATE OF NEVADA

STATE OF STATE ADDRESS

OF

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GOOD EVENING. I APPRECIATE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE WITH YOU MY 6TH STATE OF THE STATE MESSAGE.

IN LESS THAN A MONTH, SOME 1,200 MILES AWAY, AN EVENT OF INTERNATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE WILL TAKE PLACE. THE EYES OF THE WORLD WILL BE ON CALGARY, CANADA, AS 1,700 MEN AND WOMEN FROM AROUND THE WORLD COMPETE IN THE 15TH WINTER OLYMPICS.

THE ATHLETES HAVE TRAINED. THEY HAVE PREPARED, AND NOW THEY MUST COMPETE. THEY WILL BE CHALLENGED TO LIVE UP TO THEIR COUNTRIES' EXPECTATIONS AND TO SET NEW RECORDS.

WE IN NEVADA FACE A SIMILAR CHALLENGE. IN 1987, AND THROUGHOUT THE PAST FIVE YEARS, NEVADANS HAVE BUILT A SOLID FOUNDATION TO MEET THE CHALLENGES WE WILL FACE DURING THE REMAINDER OF THE CENTURY.

WE MUST CHART A COURSE FOR OUR STATE THAT EXTENDS INTO THE NEXT CENTURY. A CHILD IN KINDERGARTEN TODAY WILL GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL IN THE YEAR 2000.

LIKE THE OLYMPIC ATHLETE, WE HAVE STRESSED FUNDAMENTALS. WE HAVE PREPARED OURSELVES IN BASIC WAYS FOR AN INCREASINGLY COMPETITIVE WORLD.

WE MUST BUILD UPON THE FOUNDATION WE HAVE LAID IN THE PAST FEW YEARS -- EDUCATION FOR OUR CHILDREN, AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE FOR OUR CITIZENS -- JOBS FOR ALL NEVADANS, AND PROTECTION OF OUR ENVIRONMENT. THIS IS OUR MANDATE FOR THE REST OF THE CENTURY.

AND AS WITH THE OLYMPIANS, LET US NOT FORGET THAT WE ARE ALL IN THIS FOR A COMMON PURPOSE -- TO DO AND TO BE THE BEST WE POSSIBLY CAN.

STATE FINANCES

THE ACTIONS OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAVE A PROFOUND EFFECT ON STATE FINANCES. WHEN FEDERAL CUTBACKS ARE ORDERED, IT IS THE STATES WHICH TAKE THE BRUNT OF THE REDUCTIONS.

LAST YEAR, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT BURDENED OUR CHILDREN WITH ANOTHER \$148 BILLION OF DEBT. THE TWIN SPECTERS OF RUNAWAY TRADE AND BUDGET DEFICITS SENT SHOCK WAVES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD'S FINANCIAL MARKETS.

IN MARKED CONTRAST TO WASHINGTON'S PERFORMANCE -- IN SPITE OF IT REALLY -- NEVADA STATE GOVERNMENT ENDED THE YEAR WITH A MODEST SURPLUS.

SALES TAX COLLECTIONS, WHICH ACCOUNT FOR 39 PERCENT OF THE STATE'S GENERAL FUND, ARE UP NEARLY 12 PERCENT.

AND ANOTHER BIT OF GOOD NEWS; PRISON COSTS WHICH HAD BEEN ESCALATING RAPIDLY NOW APPEAR TO BE MODERATING.

NEVADA'S PRINCIPAL INDUSTRY, GAMING, MADE IMPRESSIVE GAINS IN 1987 RECORDING ITS FIRST BILLION DOLLAR QUARTER. A NEW SOURCE OF GAMING TAX REVENUE PROPOSED BY THE, INDUSTRY ITSELF, HAS ALREADY GENERATED NEARLY \$5 MILLION OVER THE PAST 6 MONTHS.

HOWEVER, GAMING, WHICH DIRECTLY PROVIDES FOR 44 PERCENT OF THE STATE'S REVENUES, IS THREATENED BY TWO FEDERAL ACTIONS THAT MUST BE OPPOSED.

THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE HAS PROPOSED THAT CASINOS BE REQUIRED TO WITHHOLD TAXES FROM THE WINNINGS OF FOREIGN VISITORS. THIS TABLESIDE WITHHOLDING SCHEME WOULD BE ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO ADMINISTER, AND WOULD DESTROY OUR STATED GOAL OF ENCOURAGING INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL TO NEVADA.

AN EVEN MORE SEVERE THREAT TO OUR GAMING INDUSTRY IS THE PROSPECT OF UNREGULATED GAMING ON INDIAN LANDS. PROMPT

ACTION IS NEEDED IN WASHINGTON TO ENSURE THAT INDIAN GAMING IS SUBJECT TO STRONG STATE CONTROL.

NEVADA'S UNPRECEDENTED GROWTH COMPELS US TO ASSESS WHETHER NEVADA'S REVENUES ARE ADEQUATE TO MEET FUTURE NEEDS, I CALLED FOR A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF NEVADA'S FINANCIAL STRUCTURE -- THE STATE'S FIRST SINCE 1960. THE LEGISLATURE AGREED, AND TODAY I APPOINTED THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION WHICH WILL MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE 1989 LEGISLATURE.

NEVADA'S ECONOMY

THIS IS AN EXCITING TIME TO LIVE IN NEVADA:

- NEVADA IS THE SECOND FASTEST GROWING STATE IN THE NATION -- WE LEAD THE COUNTRY IN CREATING JOBS -- NEARLY 30,000 LAST YEAR - AND WE ARE IN THE TOP TEN IN MANUFACTURING CLIMATES.

- IN 1982 NEVADA RANKED 47TH IN THE NATION IN FILM PRODUCTION -- TODAY WE RANK EIGHTH.

- LAST YEAR, WE OPENED INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND TOURISM OFFICES IN TOKYO AND HAVE SINCE FORMED THE NEVADA WORLD

TRADE COUNCIL TO ASSIST NEVADA BUSINESSES IN MARKETING EXPORTS ABROAD.

- IN 1987, THE STATE HELPED NEVADA BUSINESSES OBTAIN MORE THAN \$7.4 MILLION IN DEFENSE DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS AND IS WORKING TO ASSIST NEVADA BUSINESSES IN FINDING START-UP VENTURE CAPITAL.

- NEVADA LEADS THE NATION IN GOLD PRODUCTION AND THE MINING INDUSTRY WILL SPEND \$900 MILLION TO DEVELOP NEW MINERAL RESERVES, PRIMARILY IN RURAL NEVADA.

- STATE GRANTS FOR RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WILL INCREASE 15 PERCENT THIS YEAR -- RURAL TOURISM GRANTS -- 17 PERCENT.

- AND MORE THAN \$175 MILLION WAS SPENT LAST YEAR TO IMPROVE NEVADA'S ROADS AND HIGHWAYS.

- AND AS A RESULT OF STATE EFFORTS TO KEEP UTILITY COSTS LOW, NEVADA CONSUMERS AND BUSINESSES SAVED \$22.5 MILLION LAST YEAR. AND NEVADA EMPLOYERS WILL SAVE AN ESTIMATED \$9.2 MILLION IN WORKERS' COMPENSATION COSTS THIS YEAR.

OUR IMAGE IS CHANGING. NEVADA HAS ACHIEVED A NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL REPUTATION AS A GOOD PLACE TO LIVE AND TO WORK.

THE CROWNING ACHIEVEMENT IN 1987 WAS THE DEDICATION OF THE GREAT BASIN NATIONAL PARK.

HOSPITAL COST CONTAINMENT

IN 1987 WE ROLLED BACK HOSPITAL COSTS AND SAVED NEVADANS AN ESTIMATED \$9.3 MILLION IN JUST 3 MONTHS. THIS MONUMENTAL ACHIEVEMENT COULD NOT HAVE OCCURRED WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF THOUSANDS OF NEVADANS WHO WROTE IN HELP OF THIS VITAL LEGISLATION OR CAME TO CARSON CITY TO LOBBY FOR ITS PASSAGE.

THE RISING COST OF HEALTH CARE IN AMERICA IS A NATIONAL CRISIS.

HERE IN NEVADA, WE HAVE SHOWN HOSPITAL COSTS CAN BE CONTROLLED. WE MUST CONTINUE OUR FIGHT AND INSIST THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DO ITS PART IN REDUCING HEALTH CARE COSTS.

SENIOR INITIATIVE

TODAY, ONE OUT OF 10 NEVADANS IS OVER THE AGE OF 65.

MANY FEAR THAT AS THEIR HEALTH PROBLEMS MOUNT, THEY WILL BE FORCED TO LEAVE THEIR HOMES TO RECEIVE NECESSARY LONG-TERM CARE.

WE HAVE DESIGNED A STATE PROGRAM TO PROVIDE AN ALTERNATIVE TO NURSING HOME CARE FOR MANY SENIORS. THIS SPRING THE FIRST GROUP OF NEVADANS WILL BEGIN RECEIVING THIS HOME-BASED CARE.

WHILE WE HAVE INCREASED EFFORTS TO HELP OLDER NEVADANS STAY IN THEIR HOMES, FOR OTHERS, LONG-TERM NURSING HOME CARE IS ESSENTIAL. A NURSING HOME CONSUMER GUIDE WILL SOON BE AVAILABLE TO HELP THE ELDERLY AND THEIR FAMILIES SELECT AN APPROPRIATE FACILITY.

VETERANS

LONG SOUGHT CEMETERIES FOR NEVADA VETERANS WILL SOON BECOME A REALITY. THROUGH THE OUTSTANDING WORK OF VETERANS, TWO ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND THE DIVISION OF STATE LANDS, NEVADANS HAVE SECURED \$700,000 IN FEDERAL FUNDS FOR SOUTHERN AND NORTHERN NEVADA CEMETERIES. BOTH CEMETERIES ARE ON SCHEDULE, WITH AN ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE OF SPRING 1989.

WELFARE TO WORK INITIATIVE

ONE YEAR AGO I REPORTED TO YOU THE WELFARE CASELOAD HAD REACHED 17,000. TRAGICALLY, THE REAL COST OF THIS INCREASE WAS NOT ONLY IN TAX DOLLARS BUT IN THE LOSS OF HUMAN POTENTIAL FOR THOSE YOUNG WOMEN CAUGHT IN THE TRAP OF POVERTY.

TO BREAK THIS CYCLE OF POVERTY, A WORKFARE PROGRAM WAS DEVELOPED TO GIVE WELFARE RECIPIENTS THAT NEEDED BOOST -- CHILD CARE, TRANSPORTATION AND MEDICAL COVERAGE -- SO THEY COULD BECOME SELF-SUPPORTING AND PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS.

TODAY, 631 HAVE SECURED JOBS.

MENTAL HEALTH

DURING THE PAST YEAR, WE FACED MAJOR NEW DEMANDS FOR STATE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, BROUGHT ON BY NEVADA'S RAPIDLY GROWING POPULATION. TO EASE THE SHORTAGE OF BEDS AND PERSONNEL, A 47 PERCENT INCREASE IN STATE FUNDING FOR MENTAL HEALTH WAS APPROVED LAST YEAR. AND A NEW 88-BED PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN LAS VEGAS.

WHILE THESE MEASURES HAVE HELPED, I WILL ASK THE INTERIM FINANCE COMMITTEE TO APPROVE ADDITIONAL MENTAL HEALTH

POSITIONS TO COPE WITH THE CONTINUED GROWTH IN THE PATIENT POPULATION.

GOVERNOR'S ALLIANCE FOR A DRUG FREE NEVADA

ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE HAS REACHED EPIDEMIC PROPORTIONS.

- ONE OUT OF SIX HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS HAS TRIED COCAINE.

- NEARLY HALF OF ALL ACCIDENTS ON THE JOB ARE DIRECTLY RELATED TO ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE.

- THE LEADING KILLER OF YOUNG PEOPLE BETWEEN THE AGES OF 15 AND 24 IS DRUNK DRIVING.

- AND 63 PERCENT OF MEN IN PRISON WERE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS WHEN THEY COMMITTED THEIR CRIMES.

YESTERDAY WE CONVENED THE FIRST-EVER GOVERNOR'S CONFERENCE FOR A DRUG FREE NEVADA, BRINGING TOGETHER NATIONAL, STATE AND COMMUNITY EXPERTS TO ATTACK THIS PROBLEM.

I HAVE DIRECTED THREE STATE AGENCIES TO WORK CLOSELY TOGETHER IN THE AREAS OF EDUCATION, PREVENTION, REHABILITATION, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT.

WE ARE PUTTING DRUG DEALING CRIMINALS ON NOTICE. EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO PUT THEM OUT OF BUSINESS. FOR THEIR VICTIMS, THE YOUTH OF OUR STATE, WE WILL GIVE THEM PLENTY OF REASONS TO SAY "NO" TO DRUGS. TO PARENTS AND FAMILIES WHOSE LIVES HAVE BEEN SHATTERED, WE OFFER NEW SOURCES OF HELP.

AIDS

THE STATE HAS TAKEN STRONG ACTION TO HELP STOP THE SPREAD OF AIDS IN NEVADA. NEVADA'S PRISON SYSTEM WAS THE FIRST IN THE NATION TO REQUIRE AIDS SCREENING FOR ALL INMATES. IN LATE JUNE, I ASKED THE STATEWIDE AIDS TASK FORCE TO RECOMMEND STATE POLICIES DEALING WITH AIDS.

AS A RESULT WE ARE IMPLEMENTING A MANDATORY AIDS EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR ALL STATE EMPLOYEES. IN ADDITION, I WILL ASK THE INTERIM FINANCE COMMITTEE FOR \$250,000 TO ASSIST IN THE STATE'S EFFORTS TO COPE WITH THIS DEADLY DISEASE.

YOUTH INITIATIVE

THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 19 IN NEVADA HAS NEARLY TRIPLED SINCE 1960.

IN 1967, ONLY 22 CASES OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

WERE REPORTED ANNUALLY. TWENTY YEARS LATER, THAT NUMBER HAD REACHED 7,282.

AS OUR CHILD POPULATION HAS GROWN SO HAS THE BURDEN ON THE STATE TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THEM.

UNDER OUR PRESENT SYSTEM, A CHILD OR A FAMILY SEEKING HELP MUST OFTEN DEAL WITH MORE THAN ONE AGENCY, AND IN SOME INSTANCES, SEVERAL CASEWORKERS. THIS CAN BE EXTREMELY FRUSTRATING AND DIFFICULT FOR FAMILIES IN NEED OF HELP.

TO PROVIDE BETTER SERVICE TO OUR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, WE HAVE RECOMMENDED CONSOLIDATING THESE SCATTERED SERVICES INTO A SINGLE DIVISION. THIS REORGANIZATION WILL PROVIDE ONE CENTRAL INTAKE POINT AND ONE CASEWORKER FOR EACH CHILD AND FAMILY.

THE HOMELESS

AS RECENT EVENTS HAVE MADE CLEAR, THERE ARE THOSE IN NEVADA WHO ARE WITHOUT SHELTER FOR PART OR ALL OF THE YEAR.

NEVADANS EXTENDED A HELPING HAND TO THE HOMELESS. AT

THE STATE LEVEL, A NEW FACILITY TO HOUSE THE MENTALLY ILL HOMELESS WILL SOON OPEN IN NORTHERN NEVADA. WE WILL CONTINUE TO ASSIST THE HOMELESS IN THEIR EFFORTS TO FIND ALTERNATE SHELTER, REHABILITATION PROGRAMS AND JOBS.

THE STATE ALSO WILL WORK WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, WHICH ARE RECEIVING NEARLY \$3 MILLION IN FEDERAL AND PRIVATE FUNDS EARMARKED FOR THE HOMELESS.

EDUCATION

NEVADANS CAN BE PROUD OF THEIR CONTINUING COMMITMENT TO PUBLIC EDUCATION.

SINCE 1984, NEVADA HAS INCREASED THE MONEY DEDICATED TO OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS BY NEARLY 50 PERCENT, MORE THAN ANY OTHER STATE.

TO MAINTAIN THIS COMMITMENT, I RECOMMENDED MORE THAN ONE-HALF BILLION DOLLARS FOR OUR SCHOOLS THIS BIENNIUM.

AND THANKS TO NEVADA VOTERS, WHO APPROVED THE FEDERAL ESTATE TAX CREDIT, WE HAVE NOW COLLECTED MORE THAN \$17.5 MILLION, ALL OF WHICH GOES TO EDUCATION. THIS MEANS MORE

COMPUTERS, MORE BOOKS AND OTHER TEACHING MATERIALS IN NEVADA'S CLASSROOMS.

AS IMPORTANT AS THESE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS ARE, THE BACKBONE OF OUR EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM REMAINS THE DEDICATED MEN AND WOMEN WHO DEVOTE THEIR LIVES TO EDUCATING OUR CHILDREN. TO CONTINUE EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING, 180 SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ASPIRING TEACHERS ARE BEING OFFERED AT OUR TWO UNIVERSITIES OVER A FOUR YEAR PERIOD.

THE GOVERNOR'S INSTITUTE ON GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS IS IN ITS THIRD YEAR AT UNR AND UNLV. THIS PROGRAM PROVIDES NEVADA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WITH A WEEK-LONG PREVIEW OF ACADEMIC LIFE AT OUR UNIVERSITIES, AND ENCOURAGES OUR MOST TALENTED STUDENTS TO REMAIN IN STATE.

MORE MONEY FOR SCHOOLS IS ONLY PART OF THE ANSWER. COMPETENCY TESTING FOR NEW TEACHERS IS BEING INSTITUTED AND NEXT YEAR'S FRESHMEN CLASS WILL FACE TOUGHER GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS.

WE HAVE ATTACKED ILLITERACY IN OUR STATE BY DIRECTING

MORE THAN A MILLION DOLLARS IN FEDERAL JOB TRAINING FUNDS TO IDENTIFY AND SERVE THOSE ADULTS WHO CANNOT READ OR WRITE ABOVE A FIFTH GRADE LEVEL. TO DRIVE HOME THE IMPORTANCE OF LITERACY TO OUR SOCIETY, I AM PROCLAIMING 1988 THE "YEAR OF THE LIBRARY."

BUSINESS, INDUSTRY AND THE PUBLIC SECTOR MUST CONTINUE THEIR PARTNERSHIP WITH EDUCATION. WE MUST RECOGNIZE ILLITERACY AS A COST TO US ALL AND COMMIT OURSELVES TO HELP OUR FELLOW NEVADANS WHO CANNOT READ OR WRITE.

THE ENVIRONMENT

BOTH THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN OUR STATE AND OUR ECONOMIC FUTURE ARE INTRINSICALLY TIED TO OUR ABILITY TO PROTECT AND ENHANCE OUR ENVIRONMENT.

THE INITIAL PHASE OF THE LAKE TAHOE BOND PROGRAM HAS BEEN COMPLETED, AND THE FIRST PURCHASE OF ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE LAND WILL BE MADE LATER THIS YEAR. IN ADDITION, A PORTION OF THE BOND PROCEEDS WILL GO TO EROSION CONTROL PROJECTS.

A NUMBER OF THREATS TO OUR ENVIRONMENT STILL REMAIN,

HOWEVER, ONE OF THE MOST SERIOUS IS THE TRANSPORTATION AND DISPOSAL OF HAZARDOUS WASTE WITHIN OUR BORDERS.

THE STATE'S HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN WAS COMPLETED IN 1987. IN ADDITION, THE NEW STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION WILL OVERSEE INCREASED TRAINING OF NEVADA'S 10,000 FIRE AND PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICIALS.

A RECENT FEDERAL PROPOSAL FOR THE NEWLANDS PROJECT THREATENS THE AGRICULTURAL ECONOMY OF FALLON, IMPERILS A RECREATIONAL RESOURCE AT LAHONTAN -- USED BY HALF A MILLION NEVADANS ANNUALLY -- AND COULD SOUND THE DEATH KNELL FOR THE STILLWATER WILDLIFE AREA.

WE WILL USE ALL AVAILABLE STATE RESOURCES TO FIGHT THIS UNWARRANTED FEDERAL INTRUSION.

NUCLEAR WASTE REPOSITORY

IN DECEMBER, CONGRESS DEALT NEVADANS A DEVASTATING BLOW. DESPITE SERIOUS SCIENTIFIC RESERVATIONS ABOUT SAFETY, NEVADA WAS CHOSEN TO BE THE ONLY SITE FOR FURTHER GOVERNMENT STUDY AS A NUCLEAR WASTE DUMP.

ALTHOUGH THIS IS A SERIOUS SETBACK, OUR FIGHT IS NOT

YET OVER. THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY MUST STILL PROVE THAT THE SITE IS SAFE FOR STORAGE OF NUCLEAR WASTE. A FINAL DECISION ON THE SUITABILITY AND SAFETY OF YUCCA MOUNTAIN WILL NOT BE MADE FOR SEVERAL YEARS.

SOME HAVE SUGGESTED THAT NOW IS THE TIME FOR NEVADA TO COMPROMISE WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. BUT DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OFFICIALS HAVE PROVEN OVER AND OVER AGAIN THAT THEY CANNOT BE TRUSTED. THEY HAVE VIOLATED THEIR OWN GUIDELINES. THEY HAVE BROKEN THE LAW. THEY HAVE PLACED POLITICAL EXPEDIENCY ABOVE SCIENTIFIC INTEGRITY AND THEY HAVE INTENTIONALLY WITHHELD CRITICAL INFORMATION FROM THE CONGRESS.

THERE CAN BE NO COMPROMISE WITH THE SAFETY OF NEVADANS.

CONCLUSION

TWENTY YEARS AGO I BEGAN MY LEGISLATIVE SERVICE AS A NEWLY ELECTED MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY. HOW WELL I RECALL THE FIRST TIME I CAME INTO THIS OFFICE -- TO DISCUSS WITH THEN GOVERNOR PAUL LAXALT ONE OF MY LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS.

NEVADA WAS SMALLER THEN, ONLY 450,000 RESIDENTS STATEWIDE. THE LEGISLATURE STILL MET IN THE CAPITOL BUILDING AND ITS PROCEEDINGS WERE MUCH MORE INFORMAL.

HOW OUR WORLD HAS CHANGED OVER THE PAST TWENTY YEARS. HOW MUCH MORE COMPLEX OUR DAILY LIVES HAVE BECOME. HOW MUCH MORE COMPLEX THE PUBLIC POLICY ISSUES THAT WE MUST GRAPPLE WITH.

YET AS I TRAVEL THROUGHOUT NEVADA TALKING WITH NEVADANS IN ALL WALKS OF LIFE -- THE ENDURING QUALITIES OF THOSE SIMPLE TIMES SURVIVE.

WE HAVE CONFIDENCE IN OURSELVES, AN INDEPENDENT SPIRIT, A STRONG COMMITMENT TO THE WORK ETHIC AN INDOMITABLE OPTIMISM FOR THE FUTURE.

THESE VALUES ARE TIMELESS. NO ONE CAN FORESEE THE CHANGES THAT WILL OCCUR IN THE NEXT 20 YEARS. BUT AS IN THE PAST, THESE TIMELESS VALUES WILL SUSTAIN US.