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- I. THANK YOU FOR INTRO AND THANK YOU TO ALL THE GOOD D'S WHO DEVOTE

- II. WE HAVE MANY HARD CHOICES IN THIS COMING BUDGET YEAR—PROJECTING ANYWHERE FROM \$1.5 TO \$2.5 BILLION DEFIECT

- III. SO IT ONLY MAKES SENSE THAT WE HAVE TO PRIORITIZE HOW WE ARE GOING TO ALLOCATE THESE VERY SCARCE RESOURCES

- IV. BUT IT'S NOT ROCKET SCIENCE—WE NEED TO HELP THOSE WHO HAVE REACHE THEIR LIMITS—THOSE THAT CAN'T HELP THEMSELVES
 - A. SENIORS WHO CAN'T AFFORD THEIR HOMES BECAUSE OF THE PROPERTY TAX MESS
 - B. SCHOOL DISTRICTS WHO ARE UP AGAINST THE WALL IN TRYING TO PROVIDE QUALITY

EDUCATION FOR OUR CHILDREN BUT ARE LEFT
WITH FEW CHOICES TO FINANCE

C. THE HIGH COST OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS FOR OUR
SENIORS AND ALL OTHERS WHO DON'T HAVE
PRESCRIPTION COVERAGE—SOME HAVING TO
MAKE CHOICES BETWEEN EATING AND BUYING
THEIR DRUGS

D. VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES WHO ARE
REACHING THEIR LIMITS OF FUND RAISING AND
RECRUITMENT

E. 15% OF OUR POPULATION THAT DON'T HAVE ANY
KIND OF HEALTH INSURANCE

F. AND A STATE IS 47TH IN NEW JOB CREATION

V. BUT I HAVE AN Oponent WHO ONLY CONCERN IS TO
PROTECT HIS FELLOW DOCTORS FROM THEIR MED MEL
INSURANCE COSTS-

A. AND I BELIEVE THAT WE NEED TO DEAL WITH IT—
BUT NOT BY LIMITING OUR RIGHTS, MORE THE
POINT THOSE WHO ARE INJURED OR DIE AS A
RESULT OF MED MAL

B. EVEN THOUGH VERY COMPLEX AND
MULTIFACITED PROBLEM HIS ONLY SOLUTION IS
TO RESTRICT YOUR RIGHTS TO THE COURTS

C. THEY DON'T WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE FACT
THAT THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY IS
SIGNIFICANTLY CULPABLE IN THE DRAMATIC
RISE IN THE PREMIUM RATES FOR DOCS AND
HOSPITALS—

1. WSJ INVESTIGATION

2. MISMANAGEMENT

3. FRAUD

D. AND MORE IMPORTANT TO REFUSE TO EVEN
ACCEPT THE POSSIBILITY THAT THERE ARE
DOCTORS WHOSE BEHAVIOR HAS CAUSED RATE
INCREASES

1. 2% OF DOC'S RESPONSIBLE FOR OVER 42% OF
LARGES CLAIMS

2. THOSE OVER \$500,000

3. MANY HAVE MULTIPLE CLAIMS, SIX, SEVEN,
EIGHT

4. ONE DOCTOR HAS TEN VERDICTS AND STILL
PRACTICING

5. AND WE'RE NOT ALLOWED TO EVEN KNOW
WHO THEY ARE.

6. IF THEY WOULD JUST POLICE THEIR OWN BUT
THEY WON'T

E. WE HAVE SHOULD A RIGHT TO HAVE ACCESS TO
THAT INFORMATION

1. IF OUR LOVED ONES

2. WE SHOULD BE ABLE THROUGH WEB SITE

VI. PART OF THE STRATEGY IN THIS ELECTION IS FOR
DOCTORS TO TELL YOU HOW THEIR INSURANCE RATES
HAVE INCREASED AND THEY NEED HELP

A. NEXT TIME THAT HAPPENS ASK THEM WHETHER
THEY WOULD SUPPORT COMPLETE DISCLOSURE
OF THEIR MALPRACTICE RECORD AND THOSE OF
ALL THEIR COLLEAGUES

B. BECAUSE IF JUST DEAL WITH THAT 2% THOSE
WITH MULTIPLE CLAIMS WE CAN REDUCE YOUR
PREMIUMS

VII. MY PRIORITIES ARE TO HELP THOSE WHO ARE LEAST
LIKELY TO BE ABLE TO HANG ON THE BASIC
NECESSITIES OF LIFE

A. INCOME LIMITS PARTICULARLY THOSE ON
RETIREMENT

- B. PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS
- C. HEALTH INSURANCE UNAVAILABILITY AND AFFORDABLE
- D. VOLUNTEER VFD'S
- E. COMMUNITY REVITIZATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT