

TAPE FOR WEEK OF JULY 13

THIS IS CONGRESSMAN NICK RAHALL.

ON FEBRUARY 18, OF THIS YEAR, PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN TOLD THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, AND I QUOTE: "THERE WILL BE NO CUT IN PROJECT HEAD START....SUCH SOCIAL SAFETY NET PROGRAMS ARE EXEMPT FROM ANY CUTS."

CONTRARY TO THE PRESIDENT'S OWN WORDS, THE BUDGET PROPOSAL HE SENT TO CONGRESS, AND THAT WAS PASSED WITH HIS SUPPORT, OPENED A GAPPING HOLE IN THE SOCIAL SAFETY NET AS ALL FUNDS FOR THE HEAD START PROGRAM WERE ELIMINATED.

THE PRESIDENT AND HIS ADVISORS HAVE SAID THAT THE ELIMINATION OF THIS IMPORTANT PROGRAM WAS A MISTAKE--BUT I ASK, HOW CAN THEY ERROR WHEN THE EDUCATION OF AMERICA'S CHILDREN IS AT STAKE.

NOW CONGRESS WILL TRY TO PATCH UP THIS HOLE IN THE PRESIDENT'S
AS A STRONG SUPPORTER OF PROJECT HEAD START, I
SAFETY NET, AND ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~
PLAN TO DO ALL I CAN TO RESTORE THIS PROGRAM, WHICH IS SO IMPORTANT
TO THOUSANDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN SOUTHERN WEST VIRGINIA.

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