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MORGANTOWN, WEST VIRGINIA --- IN A PRESS CONFERENCE AT THE MONONGALIA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC HEADQUARTERS IN MORGANTOWN, WEST VIRGINIA'S FOURTH DISTRICT CONGRESSMAN NICK J. RAHALL, URGED VOTERS TO, "MAKE THEIR VOICES HEARD ON NOVEMBER 4," AND, "SUPPORT THE FINE DEMOCRATIC TICKET HEADED BY GOV. ROCKEFELLER, AND IN THE SECOND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT BY STATE SENATOR PAT HAMILTON."

THE PRESS CONFERENCE WAS PART OF A DAY'S ACTIVITIES BY CONGRESSMAN RAHALL, TO BOOST SUPPORT FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY IN MONOGALIA COUNTY.

RAHALL, A NATIVE OF BECKLEY, HAS SERVED AS THE CONGRESSMAN FROM THE FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA SINCE 1976. THE FOURTH DISTRICT IS MADE UP OF EIGHT SOUTHERN WEST VIRGINIA COUNTIES.

IN HIS PREPARED STATEMENT, CONGRESSMAN RAHALL PAID TRIBUTE TO RETIRING 2ND DISTRICT CONGRESSMAN HARLEY O. STAGGERS. RAHALL STATED, "THE PEOPLE OF THE 2ND DISTRICT KNOW MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE ABOUT THE DEDICATED SERVICE THEIR DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSMAN HARLEY STAGGERS HAS PROVIDED FOR 32 YEARS....HE EXEMPLIFYS THE PRINCIPALS OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY, THE PARTY OF COAL MINERS, FARMERS, OF MECHANICS, OF STEELWORKERS, OF HOUSEWIVES, OF VETERANS AND OF SENIOR CITIZENS."

IN CALLING FOR A LARGE VOTER TURNOUT, CONGRESSMAN RAHALL STRESSED, "FOR OUR'S TO TRULY BE A GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE AND BY THE PEOPLE, EACH ONE OF US MUST VOTE NEXT TUESDAY."

IN CLOSING, RAHALL OBSERVED THAT THE STATE AND THE NATION WILL BEST BE SERVED, "BY THE PARTY OF FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, HUBERT H. HUMPHREY AND JOHN F. KENNEDY."

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CONGRESSMAN

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WEST VIRGINIA-4th DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF CONGRESSMAN NICK J. RAHALL, (D-4th)

Good afternoon and thank you for coming.

In less than a week, West Virginians, as well as all Americans, have a decision to make. A very important decision. Next Tuesday, November 4, is election day, and the American people will be called upon to select their leaders for the coming years.

In our great State, the citizens will not only elect a president, they will elect a governor, and in this the 2nd Congressional District, they will elect a new congressman.

That is my reason for coming to Morgantown today. First--to urge all registered voters to go to the polls on November 4, and make their voice heard, and secondly--to urge the support of a fine Democratic ticket headed by Gov. Rockefeller, and in this Congressional District by State Senator Pat Hamilton.

The significance of each person's vote is magnified, I believe, by these few facts: in 1960, John F. Kennedy was elected president by a margin of less than one vote per precinct; and in 1976, a switch of only 10,000 votes in Ohio and Hawaii would have given Jerry Ford a victory over President Carter.

In many regions of the world, free and open elections are not even heard of. But yet this year, many Americans will miss an opportunity to lay their claim on the future of this Nation and State. For our's to truly be a government of the people and by the people, each one of us must vote next Tuesday.

In the 22 counties that make up the 2nd Congressional District, voters have the unique opportunity to select a man to serve as the Federal Government's closest representative to them. A congressman is just that.

There have been numerous political advertisements this election year, that have urged voters to return the power of Congress to the Republicans, but West Virginians are well aware of the benefits that have come to this State because of a complete Democratic Congressional Delegation--from Senators Byrd and Randolph, to the four Democratic Congressmen, Congressmen Mollohan, Hutchinson, myself, and Harley O. Staggers.

The people of the 2nd District, know more than anyone else, about the dedicated service their Democratic Congressman Harley Staggers has provided for 32 years. I had the honor to serve with this fine man for four years in Congress, and I saw Harley Staggers exemplify the principals of the Democratic Party--the party of coal miners, farmers, of mechanics, of steelworkers, of housewives, of veterans and of senior citizens.

I feel confident that those principals and the concept of Democratic representation will continue with the election of Pat Hamilton to Congress.

We are well into the decade of the 80's, and to proceed into the years to come, our Country and our State will best be served by the party of Franklin D. Roosevelt, Hubert H. Humphrey and John F. Kennedy.

Thank you.

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