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STATEMENT OF CONGRESSMAN NICK J. RAHALL, IN ENDORSING GOVERNOR JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, IV.

I WHOLEHEARTEDLY EXPRESS MY STRONG SUPPORT AND COMMITMENT TO THE RE-ELECTION OF OUR STATE'S FINE GOVERNOR, JAY ROCKEFELLER.

GOVERNOR ROCKEFELLER'S ADMINISTRATION HAS BEEN ONE OF TOTAL COMMITMENT TO THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA AND ITS PEOPLE. HIS LEADERSHIP HAS INDEED MADE A DIFFERENCE, AND WEST VIRGINIA IS A BETTER PLACE TODAY, BECAUSE OF HIM.

ON THE NATIONAL FRONT, GOVERNOR ROCKEFELLER HAS BEEN A DETER-MINED AND CONSISTENT FORCE IN THE PUSH FOR EXPANDED COAL USE.

HIS CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE PRESIDENT'S COAL COMMISSION BROUGHT ABOUT A NEW AWARENESS OF COAL, AND THROUGH QUIET NEGOTIATION, JAY ROCKEFELLER HELPED BRING THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION OVER TO THE SIDE OF OUR MOST ABUNDANT ENERGY RESOURCE.

GOVERNOR ROCKEFELLER'S DEDICATION TO COAL HAS ALSO BEEN OF GREAT ASSISTANCE TO ME, AND TO OTHER MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AS WELL, WHO SEE COAL AS THE KEY TO OUR NATION'S ENERGY INDEPENDENCE.

I AM PROUD TO CALL HIM MY FRIEND. I AM PROUD HE IS MY GOVERNOR.

JAY ROCKEFELLER HAS BEEN WITH ME IN MY TOUGH FIGHTS IN 1976 AND 1978. I PLAN TO DO WHATEVER I CAN IN 1980, TO SEE HIM REMAIN WEST VIRGINIA'S 29TH GOVERNOR.