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SULLIVAN COUNTY	COUNTY COMMISSIONERS						
	1st District		2nd District		3rd District		Harold Sears
	Palmer, d	Nahil, r	Woodhull, r	Scatter	LaClair, r	Olden, r	
September 14, 1976 DEMOCRATIC							
Acworth	8	—	1	—	—	1	—
Charlestown	142	—	—	—	—	—	—
Claremont							
Ward 1	231	1	2	3	2	—	2
Ward 2	373	—	—	5	—	—	5
Ward 3	392	1	3	2	5	—	7
Cornish	54	—	—	2	—	—	1
Croydon	26	—	4	—	—	—	—
Goshen	43	1	1	1	—	—	—
Grantham	13	—	—	—	—	—	—
Langdon	4	—	—	—	—	1	—
Lempster	29	—	1	—	—	—	—
Newport	496	—	7	2	—	—	17
Plainfield	65	—	—	—	—	—	—
Springfield	17	—	1	—	1	—	4
Sunapee	90	—	2	1	—	—	1
Unity	40	—	—	—	—	—	12
Washington	11	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	2034	3	22	16	8	2	49

Scatter — 1st District

- Claremont, Ward 2 — 1
- Claremont, Ward 3 — 3
- Cornish — 1
- Goshen — 1
- Sunapee — 1
- Unity — 1

Scatter — 3rd District

- Claremont, Ward 2 — 2
- Claremont, Ward 3 — 2
- Cornish — 2
- Goshen — 1
- Plainfield — 3

**TOTAL REGISTERED REPUBLICANS AND DEMOCRATS
AS OF SEPTEMBER 14, 1976**

SUMMARY BY COUNTIES	REPUBLICANS	DEMOCRATS
Belknap	10,685	5,484
Carroll	9,577	2,287
Cheshire	13,048	8,722
Coos	6,904	9,179
Grafton	15,844	7,994
Hillsborough	42,314	55,697
Merrimack	23,393	12,593
Rockingham	38,223	26,273
Strafford	12,406	13,169
Sullivan	7,074	6,656
Totals	179,468	148,054

BELKNAP COUNTY			CARROLL COUNTY		
September 14, 1976	Republicans	Democrats	September 14, 1976	Republicans	Democrats
Alton	993	199	Albany	97	35
Barnstead	503	277	Bartlett	456	104
Belmont	780	555	Brookfield	194	26
Center Harbor	201	81	Chatham	25	5
Gilford	1477	519	Conway	2341	740
Gilmanton	490	203	Eaton	112	33
Laconia —			Effingham	103	26
Ward 1	589	273	Freedom	139	40
Ward 2	404	380	Hart's Location ...	14	—
Ward 3	784	409	Hale's Location ...	—	—
Ward 4	497	441	Jackson	194	97
Ward 5	348	498	Madison	198	13
Ward 6	869	454	Moultonborough ..	949	173
Meredith	1288	425	Ossipee	704	158
New Hampton	299	161	Sandwich	475	107
Sanbornton	457	213	Tamworth	589	205
Tilton	706	396	Tuftonboro	749	77
			Wakefield	904	208
			Wolfeboro	1334	240
Totals	10685	5484	Totals	9577	2287

CHESHIRE COUNTY September 14, 1976	Republicans	Democrats		Republicans	Democrats
	Alstead	380	179	Marlow	128
Chesterfield	606	302	Nelson	158	82
Dublin	418	177	Richmond	125	55
Fitzwilliam	481	164	Rindge	459	238
Gilsum	107	85	Roxbury	51	25
Harrisville	186	129	Stoddard	132	43
Hinsdale	595	486	Sullivan	115	104
Jaffrey	889	725	Surry	144	57
Keene —			Swanzy	1026	666
Ward 1	663	548	Troy	258	404
Ward 2	693	594	Walpole	887	469
Ward 3	943	642	Westmoreland	347	146
Ward 4	1479	884	Winchester	495	481
Ward 5	847	670			
Marlborough	436	290	Totals	13048	8722

COOS COUNTY					
September 14, 1976		Republican	Democratic		
				Republican	Democratic
At. & Gil. Ac. Gt.	—	—	Jefferson	245	69
Bean's Grant	—	—	Kilkenny	—	—
Bean's Purchase ..	—	—	Lancaster	928	352
Berlin —			Low&Burbank's Gt.	—	—
Ward 1	327	1489	Martin's Location .	—	—
Ward 2	536	1317	Milan	203	153
Ward 3	939	1156	Millsfield	5	1
Ward 4	236	1821	Northumberland ..	409	736
Cambridge	—	—	Odell	—	—
Carroll	156	120	Pinkham's Grant ..	—	—
Chandler's Pur. ...	—	—	Pittsburgh	278	90
Clarksville	49	37	Randolph	126	23
Colebrook	662	234	Sargent's Purchase	—	—
Columbia	101	42	Second College Gt.	—	—
Crawford's Pur. ...	—	—	Shelburne	98	41
Cutt's Grant	—	—	Stark	49	19
Dalton	78	57	Stewartstown	194	114
Dix's Grant	—	—	Stratford	102	150
Dixville	12	7	Success	—	—
Dummer	64	51	Thomp.&Mes's Pur.	—	—
Errol	52	18	Wentworth's Loc. .	8	5
Erving's Gt. or Loc.	—	—	Whitefield	489	261
Gorham	558	816			
Green's Grant	—	—	Totals	6904	9179
Hadley's Purchase .	—	—			

GRAFTON COUNTY September 14, 1976				
	Republicans	Democrats	Republicans	Democrats
Alexandria	175	96	414	504
Ashland	442	221	705	492
Bath	246	47	244	316
Benton	59	15	423	143
Bethlehem	499	251	—	—
Bridgewater	222	88	1738	863
Bristol	691	176	57	46
Campton	445	126	384	172
Canaan	514	263	212	63
Dorchester	85	37	57	46
Easton	45	33	402	85
Ellsworth	22	2	128	70
Enfield	535	423	1050	282
Franconia	250	153	427	71
Grafton	156	71	120	36
Groton	48	45	274	78
Hanover	1484	1471	255	50
Haverhill	1102	266	53	42
Hebron	135	32	199	40
Holderness	488	108	271	126
Landaff	84	35		
Lebanon —				
Ward 1	704	510	15844	7994
		Totals		

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY September 14, 1976				
	Republican	Democratic	Republican	Democratic
Amherst	2399	886	Ward 11	492 2094
Antrim	510	171	Ward 12	808 2638
Bedford	2223	1234	Mason	176 98
Bennington	217	101	Merrimack	2474 2356
Brookline	345	204	Milford	1894 1176
Deering	216	110	Mont Vernon	312 133
Francestown	309	85	Nashua —	
Goffstown	1663	1400	Ward 1	1139 1409
Greenfield	240	118	Ward 2	1444 1113
Greenville	204	465	Ward 3	725 1215
Hancock	490	190	Ward 4	376 1445
Hillsborough	869	308	Ward 5	586 1514
Hollis	1135	480	Ward 6	626 1984
Hudson	1712	2781	Ward 7	489 1862
Litchfield	318	361	Ward 8	1273 1786
Lyndeborough	231	99	Ward 9	772 1299
Manchester —			New Boston	263 82
Ward 1	2354	1693	New Ipswich	483 343
Ward 2	1518	1991	Pelham	1036 1577
Ward 3	853	2018	Peterborough	1543 483
Ward 4	848	2026	Sharon	64 26
Ward 5	579	2024	Temple	149 28
Ward 6	1060	2404	Weare	757 342
Ward 7	650	2249	Wilton	725 473
Ward 8	1013	2011	Windsor	31 22
Ward 9	693	2520		
Ward 10	1028	2270	Totals	42314 55697

MERRIMACK COUNTY September 14, 1976			ROCKINGHAM COUNTY September 14, 1976		
	Republicans	Democrats		Republicans	Democrats
Allenstown	270	866	Atkinson	826	498
Andover	442	237	Auburn	566	427
Boscawen	650	265	Brentwood	460	169
Bow	635	149	Candia	817	299
Bradford	383	113	Chester	589	141
Canterbury	365	161	Danville	319	148
Chichester	383	115	Deerfield	520	195
Concord —			Derry	3341	1993
Ward 1	1066	708	East Kingston	274	148
Ward 2	1407	526	Epping	611	654
Ward 3	895	343	Exeter	4102	1584
Ward 4	1069	548	Fremont	392	164
Ward 5	771	331	Greenland	581	250
Ward 6	779	611	Hampstead	1088	479
Ward 7	1489	555	Hampton	2465	1387
Ward 8	1394	726	Hampton Falls	491	129
Danbury	179	63	Kensington	349	173
Dunbarton	368	148	Kingston	1020	473
Epsom	551	224	Londonderry	1615	1144
Franklin —			New Castle	268	50
Ward 1	511	394	Newfields	255	135
Ward 2	280	516	Newington	237	104
Ward 3	377	376	Newmarket	380	1280
Henniker	644	235	Newton	621	372
Hill	161	39	North Hampton ..	992	443
Hooksett	1263	1069	Northwood	65	307
Hopkinton	1458	400	Nottingham	396	231
Loudon	434	259	Plaistow	1212	730
Newbury	339	104	Portsmouth —		
New London	1204	189	Ward 1	529	699
Northfield	570	386	Ward 2	726	631
Pembroke	1000	1004	Ward 3	350	391
Pittsfield	652	362	Ward 4	691	621
Salisbury	200	100	Ward 5	562	648
Sutton	170	77	Ward 6	260	441
Warner	597	203	Raymond	956	671
Webster	240	93	Rye	1578	571
Wilmot	197	98	Salem	4517	5412
			Sandown	360	173
Totals	23393	12593	Seabrook	1030	693
			South Hampton ..	160	127
			Stratham	696	265
			Windham	956	823
			Totals	38223	26273

STRAFFORD COUNTY		SULLIVAN COUNTY			
September 14, 1976		September 14, 1976			
	Republicans	Democrats			
			Republicans		
			Democrats		
Barrington	677	462	Acworth	152	53
Dover —			Charlestown	755	576
Ward 1	734	852	Claremont —		
Ward 2	389	856	Ward 1	589	817
Ward 3	658	832	Ward 2	1279	1287
Ward 4	778	777	Ward 3	497	1231
Ward 5	992	755	Cornish	337	183
Ward 6	551	550	Croydon	118	77
Durham	1428	1241	Goshen	131	123
Farmington	876	581	Grantham	92	48
Lee	461	345	Langdon	130	31
Madbury	194	114	Lempster	158	83
Middleton	19	23	Newport	1158	1390
Milton	489	314	Plainfield	377	230
New Durham	317	105	Springfield	173	52
Rochester —			Sunapee	885	313
Ward 1	582	300	Unity	110	131
Ward 2	644	394	Washington	133	31
Ward 3	343	426			
Ward 4	476	811	Totals	7074	6656
Ward 5	544	393			
Rollinsford	294	528			
Somersworth —					
Ward 1	184	457			
Ward 2	111	427			
Ward 3	107	408			
Ward 4	139	589			
Ward 5	79	478			
Strafford	340	151			
Totals	12406	13169			

RECOUNTS AFTER THE PRIMARY

After the Primary, thirteen requests for recounts were received. The request for a recount of ballots cast for State Senator, District No. 18, Democratic, was withdrawn.

Twelve recounts of ballots were conducted by the Secretary of State, October 1, 1976; six recounts were Republican contests, and six were Democratic contests.

One of the recounts resulted in a change in Rockingham County District No. 6 for Representative to the General Court — Republican. The recount resulted in a tie vote between D. Ronald Cutliffe and Delight Reese. The tie was broken by drawing lots and D. Ronald Cutliffe won the tie.

The other recounts did not result in a change of nominees.

Following are the tables, with the nominees of the Republican and Democratic parties indicated by an asterisk.

REPUBLICAN RECOUNTS

REPRESENTATIVES

		Recount
CARROLL COUNTY District No. 4		
Russell G. Clafin	508	509*
Richard S. Clarke	403	401
Wayne J. Kelloway	282	285
Roger A. Krey	303	300
Kenneth J. MacDonald	411	411*
Peter D. Shulman	278	279
CARROLL COUNTY District No. 5		
Roderick Allen	597	600*
Arthur W. Fullam	401	405
George D. Keller	402	414*
Bradley Hayes	119	111
GRAFTON COUNTY District No. 14		
Frederick C. Aldrich	474	474*
Carl P. Foster	494	494*
Ralph Degnan Hough	632	632*
Robert F. Lawrence	195	193
James L. Logan	537	542*
Stanley E. Mansfield	329	327
Madeline G. Townsend	558	555*
Lorine M. Walter	439	440
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY District No. 2		
Richardson D. Benton	553	563*
Roy W. Davis	675	688*
Therese M. Gesel	523	527
Helen F. Wilson	630	639*

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY District No. 6		
D. Ronald Cutliffe	388	388*
Alfred Ellyson	350	352
Natalie S. Flanagan	462	463*
Delight Reese	392	388
Clarence L. Webster	409	411*
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY District No. 9		
Stephen S. Keir	398	398
Leonard F. Sanborn	528	529*
Annie Mae Schwaner	486	487*
K. Michael Tavitian	550	553*
Robert A. Vlack	400	399*

DEMOCRATIC RECOUNTS

STATE SENATOR District No. 1		
Oneil J. Croteau	1394	1348
Laurier Lamontagne	1707	1854*
STATE SENATOR District No. 14		
Edmund J. Boutin	474	474
Roland F. LaRose	784	783*
Marian D. Woodruff	763	764

REPRESENTATIVES

BELKNAP COUNTY District No. 4		
Donald Alden	† 1	1
Paul A. Golden	† 38	39*
Warren W. Leary	† 37	32
George B. Roberts, Jr.	† 56	54*
Jane F. Sanders	† 36	35
CHESHIRE COUNTY — Keene, Ward 2		
Francis A. Dostilio	126	127*
Barbara A. Dwane	125	125
Patricia T. Russell	168	168*
CHESHIRE COUNTY — Swanzey		
Carol L. Jeffrey	114	115*
Russell C. Johnson	113	114
Margaret A. Ramsay	136	138*
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY District No. 6		
Barbara A. Goddard	215	213*
D. Ronald Cutliffe	† 16	27
Natalie S. Flanagan	† 19	21*
Delight Reese	† 4	13
Clarence L. Webster	† 10	15

† Write-in Votes.

PARTY
ORGANIZATION

1976

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**PREAMBLE TO THE
1976 REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION PROGRAM**

We, the Republican Party in Convention assembled at Manchester, on Sunday, the 3rd day of October, 1976, and in the Bicentennial year of our nation's birth, do hereby adopt the following statements of principle and beliefs for our Party for the next biennium of the State of New Hampshire.

The Republican Party has traditionally stood for economical government that is responsive to our people, with the full realization that

government will always face continuing problems. We reaffirm these Republican principles: that government be of, by and for the people; that the best government is the government closest to the people that provides the least interference with their daily lives and that rejects unnecessary taxes.

We reaffirm our Federal and State constitutional rights, to govern ourselves as a free, sovereign, and independent State, except for those powers expressly delegated to the Federal government — and we urge the Federal government not to exceed these constitutional bounds.

We endorse the Republican Party's National Platform.

We pledge to maintain the basic Republican doctrines of free enterprise and sound fiscal management of public affairs. Within these Republican doctrines, we pledge to accelerate our efforts to provide for the economic well-being of our citizens through the creation of new jobs, the attraction of industry, and maintaining fiscal responsibility and common-sense business management in our government's operations.

We believe we should always be responsive to the needs of our people and that our public officials should be accountable at all times to the taxpayers.

We urge greater participation in government by all the voters.

We urge support of and for all Republican candidates as a means of assuring the continuation of good government in New Hampshire.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Elderly

We will continue to work to exempt our elderly citizens from the payment of the interest and dividend taxes and from rooms and meals tax.

We will introduce a simple identification card system which will verify the status of our senior citizens for participation in services and programs available throughout our state.

We will seek continued expansion of our nutrition services.

We will give priority to greater utilization of available transportation and coordination of transportation programs for our elderly citizens.

We will encourage a true \$5000 tax deduction for the needy elderly as the present law intended.

We encourage expansion of programs for elderly housing.

Social Services

We are proud of the gains we have made in the field of social services. We continue to make substantial improvements in our State Hospital and will make the improvement of Laconia School a top priority.

We understand the dire need for welfare benefits for those in honest need. We will continue to fight vigorously against waste and fraud in welfare funds so that these monies may be directed to the truly needy in our state.

Pornography, particularly in the hands of children, will meet with our strong resistance.

Careful regulation of homes for child and day care will be maintained.

We will strive for sanitary, pleasant housing for all of our citizens within reasonable tenant-landlord relations.

We will continue to seek adoption of a uniform code on alcoholism and drug abuse with provisions for medical care and rehabilitative treatment for all persons who are alcohol and drug dependent.

Education

We pledge to encourage public and non-public school systems to re-emphasize the basic skills. Also, we will urge instruction in the lower grades in money management and economics.

We pledge to support the University System within the framework of the ability of the taxpayer to pay and we will continue to give preferential treatment on tuition and acceptance in the University System to New Hampshire residents.

We urge the United States Supreme Court to re-examine the question of voluntary prayer in our schools and therefore recognize that our country's greatness is built upon values which are based upon a belief in God.

We encourage education of the handicapped and those with learning disabilities with the ultimate aim of getting these persons into the mainstream of our society. We urge National and State legislative bodies to give attention to this problem.

We feel local control and parental involvement makes for a stronger, healthier and better managed school system.

We know that non-public schools and colleges are strengthening factors in making a better New Hampshire. We advocate keeping them healthy and productive.

We enthusiastically endorse the vocational education regional programs in the secondary schools and support increased emphasis on the expansion of this program.

Dignity and self respect are most easily achieved when one is working and productive. Therefore, we continue our support for the Vocational Rehabilitation and Manpower Training programs.

NATURAL AND ECONOMIC RESOURCES

Environment

We urge the continuance of the clean-up of our air and waters. We support environmental considerations which are in balance with needed economic programs.

Recreation

We reaffirm our pledge to encourage the expansion and development of recreational areas by the public and private sectors.

Development

We believe land use considerations should be based upon the ability of the land to support a proposed use and that decision to effect this end be made at the local level.

We support the simplification of existing control agencies and oppose any new state control systems.

We strongly support efforts to preserve our forest and agricultural lands recognizing their importance to our economy. We support improved funding to promote our vital agricultural pursuits and industries.

We support the expansion and development of our harbors.

We advocate Federal legislation barring any Coast Guard jurisdiction over New Hampshire's inland lakes and waters.

Labor

We support the legislation passed which guarantees collective bargaining for public employees. We oppose strikes in the public sector.

We pledge our continued efforts to develop an economy that provides good paying jobs in the private sector.

Business and Industry

We endorse orderly expansion of employment opportunities through private enterprise. We urge the Federal government to protect our shoe and other industries from foreign competition.

We urge the Federal government to protect the interests of our fishermen by strictly enforcing the 200 mile limit against competitive foreign encroachment.

Fish and Game

We strongly feel that there should be more emphasis placed on better stocking of waters for our fishermen and more attention to game stocking for our hunters. Further, we urge a shift in emphasis from administrative — technical — research activities to field operations to conserve, replenish and increase available fish and game resources.

We strongly oppose any attempt to transfer fish and game license income to the general fund.

VETERANS

We reaffirm our aims to revive and perpetuate the degree of honor and reward for our veterans today as was theirs when they first came home from military service.

We have reestablished traditional dates for Memorial and Armistice Day. During this Bicentennial era, we urge their early adoption throughout the nation.

We strongly support the National Republican Platform that there shall be no blanket amnesty for those who fled this country in its time

of national need or for those who deserted from the Armed Forces of the United States.

In addition to the Vietnam veterans bonus, already enacted, we pledge our continued support for programs promoting the educational and employment opportunities for veterans of all wars.

LAW — ORDER AND JUSTICE

The primary responsibility for raising our children and instilling proper values toward society lies with the family and not the government or its agencies.

Parental Responsibility

We support the concept of parents being held responsible for the acts of their minor children.

Forensic Unit

Republican leadership has provided funds for the establishment of an adequate forensic unit and we urge support for its construction.

Gun Ownership

We will promote legislation which will safeguard and protect the right of every responsible citizen to own, possess and use firearms for safe and lawful purposes. We will strenuously oppose all attempts to deny or diminish this right.

Judiciary

We support the need for periodic review of judicial appointments.

We continue to support mandatory long-term prison sentences without parole for convicted traffickers of hard drugs and other heinous crimes.

We will promote legislation requiring mandatory sentences for those using a deadly weapon in the commission of a felony.

We encourage the consideration of a family court system to provide greater expertise over family matters and to relieve heavy court calendars.

Law Enforcement and Correctional Personnel

Republicans have established and continued to work for adequate training, income, retirement benefits, and equipment to aid law enforcement and correctional institute personnel.

We strongly advocate improved efficiency in the State Prison operation that will ensure the safety of the public and inmates alike.

We will continue to improve rehabilitation programs for correctional institutions. We also recognize the necessity to incarcerate dangerous offenders so that our streets might be safe.