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## ECONOMIC TALKING POINTS

If you are referred to as TAX AND SPEND, shift gears and say Republicans are BORROW AND SPEND and our children's future is as stake.

### BALANCED BUDGET -

- o Not once, since President Nixon's FY71 budget request has a president submitted a balanced budget.
- o In the 12 years of President Reagan and President Bush --not only did they never submit a balanced budget -- but Congress approved less spending than they requested.

## DEFICIT REDUCTION -

- O Under the deficit reduction plan, we have had three straight years of decling deficits and that hasn't happenend since President Truman in the early 50's.
- o we are cutting \$255 billion in spending over the next five years.

#### JOBS

# ECONOMY GROWING 4 TIMES FASTER THAN UNDER BUSH ADMINISTRATION

- o More new jobs overall in 19 months (4.274 million) than in the previous four years combined (2.444 million.)
- Over 3 times more private sector jobs were created in the past 19 months than were created under all four years of the BUSH ADMINISTRATION.
- o After years of decline, manufacturing jobs have risen 135,000 so far in 1994.
- O Unemployment Rate is down 21% since January 1993. Massachusetts is doing even better -- 5.2% in September -- than the national average of 6.3%

# APPROPRIATIONS -

- o a total of 395 federal programs were cut below their previous years spending levels.
- o 36 programs were cut entirely.

o House passed all appropriations bills before the end of the Fiscal year.

# TAXES

- O Under the deficit reduction plan, 98.8% of taxpayer paid the same or less in taxes. (H&R BLOCK AND CBO)
- Over 15 million american families who work and make less than \$27,000 received a tax cut.
- o 90% of small businesses are eligible for a tax cut.

INFLATION -- DOWN 31% FROM AVERAGE OF PREVIOUS ADMINISTRATIONS
HOUSING STARTS -- UP 23% SINCE CLINTON TOOK OFFICE
BUSINESS INVESTMENT HAS GROWN 7 TIMES FASTER THAN UNDER BUSH.