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#### CALVIN L. RAMPTON TECHNOLOGY BUILDING

Graduation Exercises June 1, 1973

IN THE SUMMER OF 1969 GOVERNOR RAMPTON MET AT THE RODEWAY INN WITH THE NEWLY APPOINTED UTAH STATE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE INSTITUTIONAL COUNCILS FOR THE NINE STATE POST HIGH SCHOOL INSTITUTIONS. HIS SPEECH INCLUDED COMMENTS ABOUT THE STATE FUNDS WHICH WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR BUILDINGS AT THE NEXT LEGISLATIVE SESSION. AS I RECALL, HE INFORMED THE BOARD THAT THERE WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY \$4,000,000 AVAILABLE FOR BUILDING AND THAT HE WOULD RECOMMEND TO THE LEGISLATURE THAT THE AMOUNT BE APPROPRIATED TO UTAH TECHNICAL COLLEGE AT SALT LAKE FOR A TECHNOLOGY BUILDING. THE MONEY WAS APPROPRIATED AND IN JANUARY OF 1971 THE GOVERNOR WAS ON OUR CAMPUS OPERATING A PIECE OF DIESEL EQUIPMENT AT THE GROUND BREAKING CEREMONIES. THE BUILDING WAS DEDI-CATED LAST DECEMBER. GOVERNOR RAMPTON IS A GREAT ADVOCATE OF THE COLLEGE AND OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION. HIS INFLUENCE HAS ASSISTED IN CHANNELING UTAH'S EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS TOWARD MORE REALISTIC, PRACTICAL, JOB ORIENTED GOALS. OUR TECHNOLOGY BUILDING WOULD PROBABLY NOT BE A REALITY TODAY IF IT WERE NOT FOR HIS ASSISTANCE AND INFLUENCE. CONSE-QUENTLY, THE STUDENT BODY, FACULTY AND STAFF COMBINED HANDS AND RECOMMENDED TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION THAT THE TECHNOLOGY BUILDING BE NAMED AFTER OUR ILLUSTRIOUS GOVERNOR. THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED OUR RECOMMENDATION. IT IS THEREFORE MY PLEASURE TO ADVISE YOU THAT WE OFFICIALLY DESIGNATE OUR MOST RECENTLY COMPLETED BUILDING THE CALVIN L. RAMPTON TECHNOLOGY BUILDING. THE NAME OF THE BUILDING WILL soon be inscribed in bronze and positioned in a prominent location.

#### FINAL CHARGE

ADMONISH YOU TO REMEMBER WHAT CONFUCIUS SAY: HE WHO GETS TOO BIG FOR HIS BRITCHES IS SURE TO BE EXPOSED IN THE END.

(ASK STUDENTS TO STAND)

MAY I SAY TO THE GRADUATES: YOUR PRESENCE AT UTAH TECHNICAL COLLEGE HAS ADDED DIGNITY TO THE SCHOOL. WE SALUTE YOU FOR YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS AND ADMONISH YOU TO REMEMBER THE TEACHINGS AND FOLLOW THE EXAMPLES OF YOUR INSTRUCTORS. WE HAVE CONFIDENCE IN YOU AND IN YOUR ABILITY TO SUCCEED. WE HAVE DONE OUR BEST TO TRANSMIT THE KNOWLEDGE AND TEACH YOU THE SKILLS THAT WILL ASSIST YOU IN ATTAINING THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES WHICH YOU DESIRE TO REACH IN LIFE.

WE ARE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT YOU ARE GRADUATES OF UTAH TECHNICAL COLLEGE AT SALT LAKE. CONGRATULATIONS TO EACH OF YOU! ON BEHALF OF THE FACULTY AND THE ADMINISTRATION, I WISH YOU GODSPEED.

MOVE THE TASSEL FROM LEFT TO RIGHT.

YOU MAY NOW BE SEATED!

(ASK AUDIENCE TO REMAIN SEATED UNTIL AFTER THE RECESSIONAL.)

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