

TELEVISION ADDRESS BY THE HONORABLE JOHN E. FOGARTY, M.C.
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Good evening, ladies and gentlemen:

It is a fitting and proper custom on the evening before an election for the candidates to remind their fellow citizens of the privilege and responsibility of voting. During the closing days of this election campaign we have, however, been given a far more impressive reminder of our civic duty than any speech could provide. The Cuban crisis has not only brought us face to face with a common danger, but it has also made us keenly aware of our common responsibilities as citizens of the greatest democracy on earth. All over the world at this very moment our servicemen are guarding those very liberties which will make tomorrow's election possible. I cannot believe that anyone who is worthy of the name American could, under these circumstances, willingly fail to exercise his right to vote.

It is you, the voters, who are the tribunal before which candidates and policies must be judged. In the 22 years that

markable new hospital which I helped to make possible at the Ladd School in Exeter. In this age of automation, I feel strongly that you will want me to continue to promote the growth of retraining programs, in which I have worked to make Rhode Island a national leader. And I feel sure that you will agree with me that in the face of the new trade policies, we are going to have to fight for tax benefits and other measures designed to protect our jobs and our industries.

These are among my most strongly held policies. And you know them well, for they are the policies which represent your expressed wishes. Together with the needs of our senior citizens and the educational needs of our youth, which have been as prominent among my legislative concerns, I am confident that what I have worked for is what you want your government to do.

As this campaign draws to its close, I would like to take this opportunity to commend my opponent for his interest in civic affairs and for the manner in which he has conducted himself in his first bid for public office. I have tried to conduct my own campaign with fairness to all, and I am deeply grateful to the voters for the interest they have shown in my record and program. Above all, I wish to express my sincere gratitude to the many volunteer workers for the hours of time and effort they have so freely given to help me in this campaign. No mere words can measure what their tireless work means to me.

I can only say that if I am re-elected, I will continue *every body's Congressman* to do my utmost to be worthy of the title of Representative of all the people of the Second Congressional District.

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Thank you, and good evening.