

Dear People of Hawaii,

I want to thank each of you for taking time to participate in our great democracy today in Hawaii.

I have a special connection to the great State of Hawaii and have visited the Aloha State many times to visit with my good friend Cindy Sue Clark. The sun always shines brighter in Hawaii.

I believe **2012** is the most important election in our lifetimes. America is at a crossroads. We can choose to continue the same failed policies, with government encroaching on more parts of our lives, with entrenched and unaccountable bureaucracy, with too much dependency, and with weakness abroad. Or we can choose to rebuild the America we love—the America of freedom and independence, of work and opportunity, and of strength in the world.

To choose renewal will require extraordinary leadership. Timid alternatives and the path of least resistance are unacceptable. *I believe this historic moment demands a bold conservative with bold solutions*. It will require upending the old order in Washington that has lost the trust of the American people and protects the current dysfunction.

Before I led the Republican Revolution in 1994, winning the first reelected Republican House in more than 40 years, few thought it was possible, even in our own party. We did it by offering Americans a real choice and asking them to help us force change. We reformed welfare, lifting millions of Americans from poverty. We balanced the budget for four straight years—the first time since the 1920s. We passed the biggest capital gains tax cut in history, helping create 11 million jobs. And we did it all while paying down \$400 billion from the national debt. With the right leadership, it can be done.

The media and the establishment want us to believe this election will hinge on personality, but I have more faith the in American people. This is no ordinary time. Americans will think hard about the choice before them in November.

Candidates who can't make the best possible case for conservatism against Obama—who can't argue effectively against the President's class warfare and his government takeovers of healthcare and financial services, or candidates who've stood on the wrong side of *crucial issues* like the individual *Right to Work*—will not succeed against the President's billion dollar smear machine in the fall.

My campaign is offering *big ideas* and the *bold vision* Republicans will need to win – ideas that will need an active citizenry in order to succeed. Consistent with that citizen-centered model, , I have outlined a **21**st **Century Contact With America**, a plan that will be developed with the help and support of the American people. Our 21st Century Contract with America is a vision to rise above the mire of bureaucratic socialism and rebuild our workforce, our strength, and our confidence.

This effort will begin on the first day, where I will sign series of Executive Orders and signatures on legislation that will, by the time the inaugural balls are complete, will have dismantled 40% of Barack Obama's government, repealed ObamaCare, repealed Dodd/Frank, repealed Sarbanes/Oxley, abolished all of the White House Czars, approved the Keystone Pipeline, reauthorized Ronald Reagan's Mexico City Policy, restored conscience clause protections for Healthcare Workers, withdrawn all immigration-related lawsuits against the states, and declared that it is the policy of the Federal Government to responsibly develop domestic energy supplies, including those on Federal lands, in order to reduce American reliance on imported energy supplies, reduce energy costs, create jobs and strengthen the American economy.

And that's just the first day.

We'll then jumpstart our economy and get back to full employment with a plan for economic growth right out of the Reagan playbook and endorsed by Art Laffer, the father of Reaganomics: A 15% optional flat tax; a 12 and a half percent corporate income tax; eliminating the death tax and the capital gains tax permanently; and allowing 100% expensing on all new equipment to spur innovation and American manufacturing. No other plan comes close.

We'll restore respect for the Constitution by repealing Obamacare, reasserting the proper role of the judicial branch, and enforcing the Tenth Amendment to send power back to the states.

We'll balance the budget and save Medicare and Social Security.

We'll keep America the strongest country in the world by *telling the truth about our enemies,* revitalizing our military, and controlling the border by January 1, 2014.

We'll keep America competitive with China and India by kicking the bureaucrats out of the classroom and emphasizing accountability, transparency, and parental choice.

And we'll unleash America's enormous energy potential to get gasoline back to \$2.50 a gallon and *make sure no American president ever again bows to a Saudi king*.

This is the bold vision it's going take to rise above the trivia and misrepresentations they'll try to use against Republicans in the fall.

In 2012, it will take a big change election to get bold solutions. *In November, we must offer the American people a* **genuine choice**. With your help, we can rebuild the America we love.

Thank you again for the opportunity to speak with the people of Hawaii.

Your friend,

Newt Gingrich

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