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Today the Interagency Council released their report, which recognizes the magnitude of the problem of homelessness for the first time and proposes a comprehensive, innovative approach, the continuum of care, to move millions of Americans off our streets and back into our communities and our families. The 17-member agency, under the leadership of the Secretaries of HUD, HHS, and VA, and with the unprecedented consultation of thousands of people across the country, deserves credit for a thorough and honest examination of this complex problem.

“Priority Home: The Federal Plan to Break the Cycle of Homelessness” is part of a larger strategy of health care reform and welfare reform which will give every American the opportunity to break the cycle of dependence, become self-sufficient, and work towards a better life for themselves and their families.

NOTE: The report was made available by the Office of the Press Secretary. An additional release of May 18 announced that the President proposed funding increases for homeless programs in cities across the country, and a State-by-State breakdown of dollar amounts was also made available.

Nomination for United States Marshals *May 17, 1994*

The President today announced his intent to nominate Robert Henry McMichael as U.S. marshal for the Northern District of Georgia, John W. Caldwell as U.S. marshal for the Southern District of Georgia, Roy Allen Smith as U.S. marshal for the Southern District of Ohio, and David William Troutman as U.S. marshal for the Northern District of Ohio.

“I am pleased to nominate these individuals as U.S. marshals,” the President said. “They are well-qualified, and I am confident they will make a positive difference in our fight against crime.”

NOTE: Biographies of the nominees were made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

Appointment for the American Battle Monuments Commission *May 17, 1994*

The President today announced the appointment of Joseph S. Laposata as Secretary of the American Battle Monuments Commission.

“I am happy to name Joseph Laposata as Secretary to the American Battle Monuments Commission,” the President said. “His career with

the Armed Forces will provide the Commission with a wealth of experience that will certainly prove beneficial.”

NOTE: A biography of the appointee was made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

Remarks on Signing the Human Services Amendments of 1994 *May 18, 1994*

Thank you so much. I think Dr. Johnson is a stronger statement for the merits of what has been done and what is about to be done than anything any of the rest of us can say. If every

American child could grow up to be like him, we wouldn't even have more than half the conversations we have every day in this town. So I thank President Johnson and all those wise