And so I leave you with this. The people of Boston and Massachusetts have embraced the vision that I have painted for the future, more vigorously, more consistently, more ardently than any other place in the United States. I ask you to stay with it. Because if you imagine what the future is going to be and how we would make it, it is clear that if we succeed in becoming the world’s first truly multiracial, multiethnic, multireligious democracy, we will be better positioned in the 21st century, even than we are now, to lead the world toward peace and freedom and prosperity and to give our children a better future than any generation has ever known.

That’s what I’m dedicated to. We’ve got 3½ more years to work for it, and your presence here today has dramatically increased the chances that we will succeed.

Thank you, and God bless you all.

NOTE: The President spoke at 1:18 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom at the Copley Plaza Hotel. In his remarks, he referred to Mayor Thomas Menino, of Boston; Alan D. Solomont, national finance chair, and Steve Grossman, national chair, Democratic National Committee; Mike Dukakis, former Governor of Massachusetts and his wife, Kitty; and Joan Menard, Massachusetts State party chair.

Executive Order 13052—Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices
June 30, 1997

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including S. 342, an Act to extend certain privileges, exemptions, and immunities to Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices, which I signed into law on June 27, 1997, I hereby extend to the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices the privileges, exemptions, and immunities provided by the International Organizations Immunities Act (22 U.S.C. 288 et seq.), and Article I of the Agreement on State and Local Taxation of Foreign Employees of Public International Organizations (T.I.A.S. 12135). This order is not intended to abridge in any respect privileges, exemptions, or immunities that the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices may have acquired or may acquire by international agreements or by congressional action.

William J. Clinton
The White House,

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Executive Order 13053—Adding Members to and Extending the President’s Council on Sustainable Development
June 30, 1997

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, and in order to amend Executive Order 12852 for various purposes, it is hereby ordered that Executive Order 12852, as amended, is further amended by deleting the number “29” from section 1 and inserting the number “35” in lieu thereof; by deleting from 3(d) and 4(a) the text “Department of the Interior” and inserting in lieu thereof the following text: “Department of Energy”; and by deleting from section 4(b) the text “June 29, 1997” and inserting in lieu thereof the following text: “February 28, 1999.”

William J. Clinton
The White House,

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