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An Open Letter to the citizens of Middle Tennessee

Our salvation lies in the wise and UNIFIED use of the ballot for progress and progressive candidates. Responsible citizens should also be informed citizens in order to make proper decisions on various candidates in the Senatorial race. After reading this message we hope you will decide, as we have, there is only ONE choice: ROSS BASS for the U.S. Senate.

HUMAN DIGNITY and SELF-RESPECT

ROSS BASS placed his political career in danger when he voted in favor of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 which helps establish ALL of us as first-class citizens! On the other hand, Frank Clement has said, "I would not have voted for passage of the Civil Rights Bill." Clement even REFUSED to sign the weak Fair Practices Code recommended by his own Commission on Human Relations. If Frank Clement will not support Fair Practices in the State of Tennessee, what can you expect of him in Washington? Don't forget a friend who stood up to be counted among the people who believe in human dignity. Vote for ROSS BASS.

TAXES

ROSS BASS helped write and supported the largest tax cut in the history of our nation, putting more "take-home" pay in our pockets. At the same time, Frank Clement was taking money out of our pockets by taxing everything in sight. He taxed our water, lights, gas in order to build up a surplus of TWENTY-SEVEN MILLION DOLLARS! Think of it as \$27,000 stored in the State Treasury and doing nothing. Wouldn't you like to have your part of it back? DON'T SEND THAT MAN TO WASHINGTON!

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

The men on Death Row are YOUR people. The vast majority of men electrocuted in Tennessee have been Negroes. The men on Death Row NOW are YOUR people. Frank Clement says he doesn't believe in capital punishment, but during the last session of your legislature, he spent most of his time ram-rod- ding his big tax bill through the legislature instead of using his leadership to abolish capital punishment directed largely at OUR PEOPLE. These men have been made to suffer by the Governor

giving them 30 days of life piece-by-piece. None of us need a man like that representing us in Washington.

Finally, it should be pointed out that a person cannot demand the privileges of first-class citizenship and reject its responsibilities. Esau traded his birthright for a bowl of stew. Don't be one of Esau's children and trade YOUR rights for temporary advantage and gain of someone else. Don't allow boss-appointed leaders to direct and control your ballot. Think long and hard before you vote, and PLEASE don't follow a Judas goat.

VOTE and ELECT

ROSS BASS to the U.S. SENATE

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