

Outline for Maiden Speech
U.S. Senator Elizabeth Dole
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- I. Transitioning Economy
 - A. In North Carolina, numerous jobs have been lost as the economy goes through a transition _ from an agriculture and manufacturing-based economy to a technology-based economy.
 - B. Statistics show the number of jobs lost recently.
 - C. The troubled economy has left an increasing number of people hungry. As the world pauses on today, World Hunger Day, I want to highlight the problem unfolding in North Carolina.
 - D. Food banks are reporting increases each week in the number of families they are seeing. Many of those are the newly unemployed.
 - E. Tell a detailed story of the plight of a hungry family in North Carolina.

- II. Not An Isolated Incident/ Hunger Facts in North Carolina, United States
 - A. In North Carolina, 830,000 people are considered food insecure (Out of state population of 8.2 million).
 - B. 33.6 million Americans were reported to be food insecure, hungry or at risk of hunger. 33.2 million Americans were food insecure in 2000 (USDA 2001)
 - C. 6.18 million children are food insecure (USDA's Economic Research Service, Household Food Security in the United States, 2001)
 - D. 23.3 million people sought and received emergency hunger relief in 2001. (America's Second Harvest's Hunger in America 2001 report)

- III. Fighting Hunger in America./North Carolina as a Model State for Gleaning
 - A. Story of Society of St. Andrews
 - B. Thoughts of what Sen. Dole Saw During Hunger Tour
 - C. Gleaning helps our agricultural economies, and when the agricultural economy is on the mend, it helps the overall economy too.
 - D. Promoting Public/Private Partnerships
 - E. Request to Agriculture Secretary Veneman/Proposal for a Pilot Program

- IV. World Hunger/American Leadership
 - A. Our work cannot stop here. America must continue to show leadership on this issue abroad.
 - B. There are 800 million people in the world who are hungry (United Nations)
 - C. McGovern-Dole international school lunch program, started by President Clinton and made permanent by Congress and President Bush.
 - D. Efforts to cosponsor legislation on a resolution to restore the international school lunch program.