In the councils of government, we must guard against the acquisition of unwarranted influence, whether sought or unsought, by the military industrial complex. The potential for the disastrous rise of misplaced power exists and will persist.

We must never let the weight of this combination endanger our liberties or democratic processes. We should take nothing for granted. Only an alert and knowledgeable citizenry can compel the proper meshing of the huge industrial and military machinery of defense with our peaceful methods and goals, so that security and liberty may prosper together.

IKE WAS RIGHT!

In 2006, Texans will contribute $774.7 million in federal taxes to pay for ballistic missile defense. The same $774.7 million would provide for Texans:

- 109,505 Head Start Places for Children, or
- Health Care for 516,193 Children, or
- 10,506 Affordable Housing Units, or
- 184,974 Scholarships for University Students, or
- 19,090 Public Safety Officers, or
- 13,519 Homeland Security Port Container Inspectors

(Source: “Tradeoffs,” www.nationalpriorities.org)

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