

# Governor Milliken: A record of achievement.

While Sander Levin has talked, Governor Milliken has acted. And the results are on the record.

#### **Governor Milliken has created new jobs.**

Governor Milliken's initiative in tax incentives, transportation programs and expanded domestic and foreign markets for Michigan products have resulted in 236,400 new jobs for the people of Michigan.

Under his leadership, we now have commerce offices established in both Europe and Japan to expand the sale of Michigan products overseas, and attract job-producing foreign investments into Michigan. Major steps have been taken to aid our vitally important tourist industry. And—despite serious national economic problems—Michigan wages remain among the highest in the United States.

#### **Governor Milliken has cut taxes.**

In the past two years alone, state taxes have been lowered by about \$500 million—the biggest tax cut in Michigan's history.

#### **Governor Milliken has assured equal educational opportunity for all children.**

It was his determined leadership that produced the historic school aid legislation that now assures

every child in Michigan an equal chance for a quality education.

#### **Governor Milliken has sought to extend and increase unemployment benefits.**

Governor Milliken has come to the aid of Michigan's unemployed.

He signed into law a bill eliminating the "waiting week", thus assuring laid-off workers vital benefits during the critical first few weeks of unemployment. He signed an extension of benefits from 26 to 39 weeks, increasing benefits by an average of 15%. For a family of four, this adds up to an additional \$1,781 worth of benefits under Governor Milliken.

#### **Governor Milliken has led the fight on crime.**

Under the Milliken administration, state monies to aid in the fight against crime have been increased by almost 100 percent. Turn-In-Pusher (TIP) lines have been installed to enlist the help of all citizens in the war against drugs. And State Police are working with local and federal authorities in coordinated attacks on the pusher.

In addition, Governor Milliken has proposed further measures which would give Michigan the tools to wage the most comprehensive anti-crime campaign in the state's history, including mandatory

additional prison sentences for persons convicted of committing crimes with handguns.

In the past three years crime, while increasing in the nation, declined 4% in Michigan.

#### **Governor Milliken has strengthened local government.**

Governor Milliken has forged an effective partnership between state and local governments. Through his state revenue-sharing programs, the State of Michigan will return over \$280 million to city, town and county governments this year. That's an increase of \$120 million over what the state was providing before Milliken became Governor.

#### **Governor Milliken has made state government open and responsive to the people.**

Governor Milliken is a recognized national leader in the battle to make government answerable to the people. And you see the results in Michigan.

Under Governor Milliken, state government has been reorganized to make it both more effective and more efficient. "Hot lines" have been set up to handle citizen inquiries and complaints. And a tough Code of Ethics is now in force for all state employees.

And it was Governor Milliken

who fought for and signed into law the legislation to help end campaign abuses in Michigan. He has also made a full public disclosure of his personal finances, including copies of his federal income tax returns since 1983.

#### **Governor Milliken has brought tax relief to senior citizens.**

Under Governor Milliken, senior citizen property taxes have been reduced by \$60 million in the past two years. And ninety-nine percent of Michigan's older citizens are now benefiting from the sales tax credit on food and prescription drugs pushed through by Governor Milliken.

#### **Governor Milliken has protected Michigan's environment.**

No state has done more to preserve and protect its environment and to expand outdoor recreation facilities than Michigan during the Milliken years. The record includes the Environmental Protection Act, Truth-in-Pollution Acts for both air and water, Shoreline Management Act, Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, Watercraft Pollution Act, Endangered Species Protection, Land Sales Act, Inland Lakes and Streams Act, Billboard Control, and solid waste and recreation bond legislation.

#### **Governor Milliken fights for the rights of all people.**

It was Governor Milliken who issued the Equal Opportunity Order that increased the employment of women and minorities in state government.

It was Governor Milliken who supported the legislation prohibiting discrimination in the granting of loans and the rating of an individual's credit worthiness.

And it was Governor Milliken who appointed more Blacks—both Republicans and Democrats—to more positions in state government than any other Governor in Michigan's history.

#### **Governor Milliken led the fight to put the Vietnam Veteran's Bonus on the ballot.**

Governor Milliken is the man who this year achieved adoption of a bill to place the question of a bonus for Vietnam veterans on next Tuesday's ballot.

He believes that Michigan's 400,000 Vietnam veterans need and deserve your help, and urges you to vote "Yes" on Proposal B.

Governor Milliken has given Michigan voters the opportunity to get more than \$5 billion in Federal transportation funds.

Governor Milliken was the force

behind placing the Transportation Bond Issue on Tuesday's ballot. By voting "Yes" on Proposal D, you could help the state of Michigan get \$5 billion in Federal funds for the development, modernization and expansion of public mass transit and other forms of transportation in Michigan.

Governor Milliken urges your support of this critically needed program which will benefit all of Michigan through expanded transportation throughout the state, increased tourism, and increased business in Michigan.

