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And finally, my budget aids community and faith-based groups that help our cities take on the worst of our social problems. So I'm so pleased that John DiIulio is here, who's spearheading this effort. We support local efforts to fight illiteracy and teen pregnancy and drug addiction. We promote mentoring programs, especially for the large number of children with a parent in prison.

This summer I look forward to going to Philadelphia to join Mayor John Street as he shows the Nation the compassionate work his city's faith-based and community organizations are doing. These organizations have a message of hope for all American cities, and my budget has a message of hope for them. We will support the caring acts of caring people and not turn them away because they are inspired by the Bible or the Koran.

These are some of my priorities, and we fund them. We repay all the available public debt in my budget. We establish a contingency fund for future needs, and then we reduce taxes to accelerate our economy's slowing growth. We reduce taxes, because we understand many in your cities are struggling to get ahead. We must reduce taxes in order to help pay for the high energy bills that many are now suffering. And we must always remember that the Federal surplus is not the Government's money. The Federal surplus is the people's money.

This is a budget that is reasonable, balanced, and sound. It's a budget that is good for America's cities, which means it's a budget that's good for America.

Thank you all for coming, and God bless.

NOTE: The President spoke at 3:18 p.m. in the Rose Garden at the White House. In his remarks, he referred to Mayor H. Brent Coles of Boise, ID, president, Mayor Marc H. Morial of New Orleans, LA, vice president, Mayor Thomas M. Menino of Boston, MA, advisory board chair, and J. Thomas Cochran, executive director, U.S. Conference of Mayors; Mayor Victor H. Ashe of Knoxville, TN; Mayor Dennis W. Archer of Detroit, MI; Mayor Patrick McCrory of Charlotte, NC; Mayor Anthony A. Williams of Washington, DC; Hideo Nomo, pitcher, Boston Red Sox; and Robert L. Johnson, chairman and chief executive officer, BET Holdings, Inc.

Executive Order 13207—Further Amendment to Executive Order 10000, Regulations Governing Additional Compensation and Credit Granted Certain Employees of the Federal Government Serving Outside the United States

April 5, 2001

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, it is hereby ordered that Executive Order 10000, as amended, is further amended as follows:

Section 1. Section 201 is amended:

(a) by striking "(a)" and

(b) by striking " and (b) the words 'section 207 of the Act' have the meaning set forth in section 101 hereof."

Sec. 2. Section 205 is amended by striking "(a)" and by striking subsection (b).

Sec. 3. Section 210 is amended:

(a) by striking ", but at least annually," and

(b) by striking "if program or methodology revisions would substantially reduce an established differential or allowance rate, then".

George W. Bush

The White House,
April 5, 2001.

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Remarks on Presenting the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Awards in Crystal City, Virginia

April 6, 2001

Thank you, Mr. Secretary. Mr. Secretary, thank you very much for that kind introduction, and thank you for agreeing to serve your country once again. My friend Don Evans couldn't make it, but we have a pretty darn good replacement with Norm Mineta.

Dr. Wood, thank you very much, sir, for your leadership. You may wonder why Dr. Wood has got such white hair. My mother's