

matter such as education, school construction or police salaries or equipment, would you then be open for seeing that they had drawn back and done as much as they could?

A. I may sound callous if I say I wouldn't; but I think when I consider these things I have to be aware of the fact that the City is only a part of the State and that I have a responsibility for the entire State. I have to look at the problem in the way that: how does it affect the Eastern Shore, and how does it affect Western Maryland, for they have problems that they would like to have onetime grants for too. The Hughes Tax Reform which was recently enacted certainly made an effort to recognize the unique problems of the City — witness the fact that out of about \$100 million of total State aid the City received somewhere around \$48 million. I just can't — unless I find there is a compulsion, not just an incentive, to treat the City to any special grant this year — I can't say in advance that I would do so. It is doubtful that I would.

Q. You don't see any problem right now that adds up to a compulsion?

A. No. I think the City is going to have to get into its own problem and effect the same kind of economy that we are trying to effect here at the State level. There is a lot of spending we would like to do, that we think is meritorious, that we can't do. We've just cut it out and I think the City is going to have to do the same thing.

STATEMENT ON FORMATION OF CITIZEN COMMITTEES FOR ROCKEFELLER

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In response to the groundswell of public opinion that I have seen developing — and it's very noticeable here in Maryland — I have agreed to assist in the formation of a draft movement in this State to urge Governor Nelson Rockefeller of New York to become a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination.

I have received a heavy volume of letters from all parts of the country, and even from some Americans in foreign countries, urging that some form of positive action be taken to persuade this man to become a candidate. He has steadfastly refused to do this, and I have steadfastly refused to participate in any organized efforts outside of my own State.