

1 I believe that this is something that can be handled. I  
2 think the Constitution itself should specify the exemption  
3 from the burden of taxation, if you choose religious,  
4 educational, charitable and other type functions, but I  
5 think that the result of this process should permit you to  
6 evaluate and measure from time to time what the net result  
7 is.

8 The second thing I want to say is that we have  
9 had a tremendous proliferation of tax exemption for reasons  
10 other than those that we have regarded as the traditional  
11 time honored reasons for tax exemption. I give you as an  
12 example the situation that confronts the City of Baltimore  
13 now with respect to the development of certain projects for  
14 the elderly. The Federal Government has made money avail-  
15 able, long-range financing, long-low interest rates, to  
16 certain projects sponsored by non-profit organizations to  
17 meet the specific housing requirements of elderly persons.  
18 These are worthy public projects.

19 It was, I believe, never the intention of the  
20 Federal Government to require automatically that these  
21 projects would get the benefit of tax exemption locally,