Kentucky Representative Backs LaRouche Campaign

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At the conclusion of a two-day campaign trip to Louisville, Kentucky, where he addressed dozens of trade unionists, political leaders, supporters, and youth, Democratic Presidential pre-candidate Lyndon LaRouche held a press conference where he was endorsed by State Rep. Perry Clark. Clark called on Kentuckians to join him in voting for LaRouche in the May 18 Democratic Presidential primary.

In his opening statement at the May 7 press conference, Representative Clark cited the fact that the financial oligarchy has taken over both parties in the United States, and that this control has to be broken. Lyndon LaRouche is the only person who can do that, Clark said, and that's why he endorses him for President. Clark also released a formal statement of endorsement, in which he praised LaRouche's FDR-like economic approach to dealing with the current economic crisis, as well as LaRouche's policy for ending the Iraq nightmare with an initiative based on the precept "Love Thy Neighbor."

Clark's statement read in part: "That policy [LaRouche's economic program] also echoes the approach of Great Kentuckians of generations past. Roosevelt proudly stood on the shoulders of both Henry Clay and President Abraham Lincoln, who were leading proponents of what became known as the American System of Economics. It was this system that built the United States into the great nation, that up until recently, was the envy of the world. It is time to revive the American System of Clay and Lincoln."

LaRouche followed Clark with a hard-hitting discussion of why he is the only candidate for President who is qualified to be President under the current conditions of crisis. He put the key issues of the LaRouche Doctrine for Southwest Asia, and the solution to the economic crisis, on the table, while stressing that he personally is committed to changing Bush Administration policy *now*, prior to the election. After a few questions, LaRouche was interviewed individually by both the NBC and CBS affiliates in Louisville.

Mobilizing the 'Troublemakers'

In two meetings, one with legislators and supporters, and another with labor leaders, LaRouche developed the theme of the nation's need for "troublemakers" who would take responsibility for fixing the problems that now face the country. While elaborating on the current economic and financial breakdown, LaRouche emphasized the qualities of the citizen that must be mustered, if the nation is to be saved. In the meeting with trade unionists, who received his message very warmly, he put it this way:

"Now, troublemakers, good troublemakers who are the best managers, don't wait to be asked. They're pushing, they're always thinking. And they're the ones that will carry the job through, because if they run into a problem, in implementing the new policy, they will fight to make it work. Whereas the mere book technician, who's educated in how to do it by the book, will give up if it doesn't work. Whereas the person who understands what the innovation is, will make it work.

"Now, this is true in government. The function of a competent President in the United States, in a time of crisis, is not to be the guy who has a teleprompter, which tells him what to tell people to do. A good President is a man who's got his hands dirty, who's looking for trouble, having people around him who work with him, who are also looking for trouble, in each department of government. 'Look, I want you to look for trouble! I want you to see what might hit us, or where we're doing the wrong thing. That's your job, and your job is also to *do* something about it. If you don't think you have the authority to do something about it, come talk to me. I want to know about it. We'll get some people down there to help you. We'll get the job done.'

"And that's where we are now. That's where *you* are now. Because you are a part of the people who are on the line, who have to get the job done. You're the troublemakers who recognize what's wrong with what's being done often, and can have access to people we work with, who will show you what the problem is, and how the improvement can be made.

"What you need, and many Americans need, in government or not, is to be turned loose, in that way, in an organized way; where we say, we've got a problem, we've got a mess. In principle we can solve the problem. We cannot rely on waiting for somebody to cut the orders, to tell us how to solve the problem, or that it exists. We have to be troublemakers, who suspect what's wrong, who recognize what's wrong, who have the ability to find out from others what they need in assistance to determine what the problem is, and what the solution might be. The kind of troublemakers who are going to get on the job, and make sure the job is done properly."

On the evening of May 6, LaRouche also addressed a meeting of 20 youth, which had been organized by the LaRouche Youth Movement.

The LaRouche campaign is concentrating over the coming week on the primary contests in Arkansas and Oregon, which will also occur on May 18. A heavy series of radio ads presenting the LaRouche Doctrine are being aired, at the same time that teams from the LaRouche Youth Movement are deploying throughout these states.

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