

Remarks for Warren Mart  
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Good morning/afternoon and thank you all for being here today, etc...

What's the word for the November 2<sup>nd</sup> Election? Well it's JOBS, JOBS and MORE JOBS.

I want to tell you about something I've been doing this campaign season.

I listen to a lot of candidate speeches.

As we all do.

But this year I'm doing something a little different.

From the minute a candidate starts talking, I keep track of how long before I hear the word JOBS!

If it takes too long, or if I don't hear it at all, then I know something's very wrong.

If it's a candidate I like, and they're not talking about jobs, I have to wonder why not.

There's absolutely no reason to listen to a candidate who doesn't have a strong position on jobs, and a plan to create more of them.

It's what this state needs, it's what our country needs and it's what voters want to hear.

Brothers and sisters, this year I want to hear that four letter word more than any other. JOBS.

JOBS is the key to a good standard of living, Decent Housing, Education, Health Care, and a Good Retirement for you and your family.

We should be prepared to support candidates on the basis of their jobs plan, and we should be prepared to reconsider any support for a candidate who doesn't have a plan to bring JOBS to us.

We're in the midst of a serious jobs emergency in this country.

This is not the time for more tax cuts for the rich, or to develop a sudden concern for deficits.

Those are smokescreens.

We need to invest in the kind of bold plans that FDR used so successfully during the Great Depression.

The WPA program put over four million people back to work in a matter of months.

And since the private sector can't or won't create jobs at that level, it's the federal government's responsibility to do so.

This isn't a crisis for just Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, or Pennsylvania.

This is a nationwide crisis and it deserves a nationwide response.

We need a national industrial policy that provides real incentives to invest in local manufacturing, rather than allow companies to move more and more work overseas. Stop the free trade and make fair trade.

We need training opportunities for young people who may not want, or may not have the resources to attend a four-year university.

We need to invest in transportation projects that will restore our place in the world as a leader, rather than what we have become.

And we need a stimulus program that is equal to the crisis we're facing.

This economy isn't going to improve until people start spending again, and they're not going to start spending again till they see their neighbors back at work.

It's that simple.

We need everyone here to be fully engaged in this fight.

We need to educate and motivate our members to vote.

And on Election Day, kick some butt. Put people in office that care about us and care about jobs!

There is very disturbing data out there that says this election could be decided by right wing radicals who are being stirred up by a toxic mix of bias, misinformation and fear.

It's our duty and our job to fight back. Fortunately, it's also our nature.

It's one reason we created UCubed to help millions of unemployed Americans to come together and bite back on Election Day -- to elect people that will bring good jobs back to us with a good retirement and health care for all.

So I'm asking you, please.

When a good candidate asks for your help, don't say no, instead say yes I will.

When your local union asks you to go knock on doors, don't say no, instead say yes I will.

Take your friends and your family and work hard on this Election so we all can have a job with Health Care and a good retirement, decent housing, education for us and our families.

I know you've heard it before, but this really is the most important election in years, maybe decades.

It troubles me to think that the big winners in the upcoming elections could be the very people who first got us into this mess, and then did everything in their power to block action to get us out.

That is the Party of No – We know who they are and we will not let them win – will we?

There really can be no rest from now until we win – it is for our families and their future.

Thank you very much.