A Constitutional amendment will not eliminate the difficult choices that must be made regarding the best allocation of our limited resources among competing national priorities. Congress could, in fact, balance the budget by cutting valuable and effective programs, such as unemployment insurance and social security, instead of by curbing waste, or by raising taxes.

Federal deficits are dangerously large. This year there will be a deficit, yet earlier this year Congress adopted a balanced budget based upon economic projections available at that time. Those projections, however, have not been sustained by actual events. The effects of the recession and record high interest rates are reducing expected tax revenues and increasing automatically the cost of federal entitlement payments and operations. Thus, it now appears that a budget deficit for FY 81 may be unavoidable.

What would have happened in this situation had the government been operating under a balanced budget requirement? Would we have been in compliance with the Constitutional amendment because we adopted a balanced budget, or not in compliance because the budget, in the end, was not actually balanced? Would the government be acting contrary to the Constitution every time an unanticipated economic downturn or military emergency forced the budget out of balance?

As you know, President-elect Reagan has advocated further reductions in non-defense spending. I look forward to studying carefully the budget recommendations of the new Administration, and I'll be as cooperative as I can.

Be assured that I will continue to make my decisions on spending legislation consistent with the principles of fairness and restraint, and in the best interests of Californians and the country.

Thanks for taking the time to write me on this important matter. I believe our goals are mutual and although we may not agree totally on method, it helps me greatly to know your concerns. I hope that you'll continue to keep in touch.

Sincerely,

Alan Cranston

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