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## GUN TO BE PRIED FROM HESTON'S HAND

Hollywood – The former Clinton Administration is preparing to gather to fulfill its mission of taking a gun from the cold dead hand of Charlton Heston. Heston died this week at age 84.

Heston, an outspoken actor, was largely freed from traditional conservative criticism of actors speaking out on public affairs. “Being a Republican gave him immunity from all that noise. Take note Cher, Bono, Clooney and anyone else out there in the public eye wanting to influence politics”.

Heston, remembered mostly for his outrageous beards during many of his biblical history roles, also was successful even when violating one of Hollywood's taboos of appearing in movies with animals. Heston's role opposite intellectual apes, while mirroring his real life, played well in the box office.

Heston's political activism on behalf of the Second Amendment was a constant reminder to the conservative movement that early on-set liberalism is far more treatable by conservative physicians than homosexuality.

Heston had undergone conservative therapy in the late 80's, abandoning his liberal roots that once had him supporting Democrats for president and actively engaged in the fight for civil rights.

“We have been suffering from the load of Hillary for so long, we needed something to rally the troops. The ceremonial removal of the gun from his cold, dead hand will rejuvenate the round table at Camelot II, serving as the symbolic retrieval of Exclaibur” said one of the former Clinton administration staffers.

## LT. GOVERNOR TO UNDERGO DE-SENSITIVITY TRAINING

Providence – In light of her concern for all those less fortunate than herself, the Lieutenant Governor has announced that she will undergo training to desensitize her from the issues related to illegal aliens.

“I found myself going to rallies just to have my face seen. I have been trying to reach out to the under-served population, but my polling data shows that it only makes me more unelectable to the office of Governor”

“I need to get control of my heart. Just because I am rich doesn't mean I have to personally get involved in those issues. Besides, illegals can't vote, except in Providence, Pawtucket and Central Falls and I already have those voting blocks in my pocket”

“If only I could do more. Maybe sell my watch or a few state vehicles. If only I could do more. Maybe I could give them more health care. Maybe I could create an opportunity on the state's dime for them to have a better life.”

While willing to advocate for such programs, the Lieutenant Governor will not be giving up her office staff, car, or salary to ease the Rhode Island budget crisis or to pay bills related to the costs of illegal aliens.

“I work hard for my money. I am the Lt. Governor. I give in my words. I am a daily reminder of how getting elected to a do-nothing job can be a bane to the Governor's attempts to control the budget.

That's what people elected me to do. To be that independent voice.”

The office quickly dispelled rumors that the Lt. Governor was opening a soup kitchen in the State House. “As a good Democrat, she feels their pain, but it is another thing to let them into your private space” said a staffer.

## TALK IS CHEAP

Providence – In an effort to stem the tide of inflation that is sweeping the nation, Steve Kass, the newly installed communications director of Emergency Management has cut his costs.

“This does not mean that I will be speaking with fewer words. This just means that I have found a way to deliver the message in a far more cost effective manner. I can use smaller words.”

Kass has been the subject of criticism for receiving a political appointment to Emergency Management while retaining the former salary he had been paid when serving as the Governor's communication point man.

The Governor beamed at the news of the pay cut. “This shows that when we put the Big Audit to work, we can save money. In just a few days Kass has found an almost unthinkable way of saving taxpayer's money. He has revolutionized politics in Rhode Island.”

The Lt. Governor was unimpressed. “This just goes to show the waste that is ingrained in the government. Can you imagine a state paying six figures for someone to just talk?”

As a result of this triumph, the Governor is considering appointing Kass to several other jobs that command high salaries so that they too can be cut. Adding, “I knew that if anyone could figure out this wasteful spending it would be Kass”

## HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES NOT SO BIG AFTER ALL

Washington - Various human rights groups who at one time demanded that the United States intervene around the world to solve problems related to humanitarian issues are now clearly against the war that resulted from such international interference.

"Sure we wanted to stop the mistreatment of the Iraqi people by a cruel dictator, but we didn't want to do it by going to war. We were thinking more along the lines of asking him politely to stop the gassing of his people" said Bryan Rodrigues, the spokesman for One World Peace. "Why can't we just all get along?"

The movement, which is largely responsible for demanding that the United States take on the role of the world's policeman, has now determined that it is not a good idea to do that and is urging a complete pull-out of forces from dangerous places around the globe.

"The new plan is to hold the Olympics more often to allow us to demonstrate our disgust at the way the world is allowing violent regimes to run roughshod over its people. It is a much better solution than actually going to war to do something about it".

"We were only kidding when we were talking about taking real action. The fact of the matter is that we are pampered rich kids with a lot of time on our hands. If we weren't out talking the entire world into peace we would only be playing hackie sack or saving the whales or the planet from global warming"

"It seems so bad that people actually have to die to make the world so peaceful. As my father would always say, be careful what you wish for. I guess I should focus on something smaller, like Tibet".

## What Do You Think?

The issue of illegal immigrants has set off yet another firestorm in Rhode Island. What do you think?

I truly feel sorry for the guy who came to America to live out the American dream only to find that his job is being shipped overseas.

RH- Barrington

I'm just looking for some middle ground. Why can't we all just get along?

ER - Cranston

It seems so short-sighted. If they are gone, who will work the Providence Plantations?

JA - Providence

When we find them we should put them on a bus and send them back to Central Falls where they came from.

JD - East Greenwich

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## WARREN BUFFET TO OPEN

Warren – The Oracle of Omaha has nothing on this quiet East Bay community. Local officials have confirmed that an application has been filed for a new restaurant in this community.

"The Warren Buffet will be serving a full menu daily" said Bryan Rodrigues, one of the restaurant's owners. "We wanted to locate in the old Berkshire Mills in the town, but that seemed to be unlikely".

"It surely fits into the Buffet penchant for frugality. What could be more cost effective than buying food at a buffet?" said one investor.

The Warren Buffet is not related to the singer of similar name, however there was talk of having a parrot decor resembling Margaritaville.

## ASK LIZ Advice on Anything

Dear Liz:

I have been getting slammed by people because I attended a meeting in direct opposition to the position of my company.

I am feeling the heat. My chances of getting into the corner office are sinking fast. What should I do?

Gwen - Foster

Dear Gwen:

While some would stand firm in the face of such upheaval, simply fire your staffers and then avoid blaming them for the problems in public, but, let's face it, no one really just leaves.

Stay off the front pages until things die down. Don't say another word, except to call for "understanding" and continued talk of how issues of this type are "polarizing".

Take the high road even if you are part of the polarization process. People are dopes. They will forget and you will soon be back on the road to fulfilling your dream of running the show.

## THE HALLMARK

Charlie Hall



**NOTHING LIKE DINING WITH ONE  
OF THE RICHEST MEN IN THE  
WORLD.**