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Swati and Veldran – Below are some quotes from Campbell I came across and wanted to share. These quotes are pulled from his 1992 State of the State Address when he pushed for ethics reform after Lost Trust:

- “Government reform is essential to restore accountability to the people. And ethics reform is essential to restore the confidence of the people.”
 - Continuing: “We all know there’s a crisis of confidence today. Ours is a bleeding state, ripped open by scandal. But where crisis abounds, so abounds opportunity even more.” Continuing with the Chinese symbols for the words, crisis and opportunity, are identical.
- “The bottom line to meaningful reform is openness. Justice Brandeis said sunshine is the best of disinfectants. The public does indeed have a right to know, and if they know, they can make judgments.”
- “But let’s not kid ourselves: Banning a free hamburger and calling it reform is like treating lung cancer with cough syrup. There must be full disclosure of economic interests. If we really want to get at the heart of ethics, then we’ll require complete disclosure of fees – legal and lay alike [..].”

The full text can be read here: http://dc.statelibrary.sc.gov/bitstream/handle/10827/623/State_of_the_State_Address_1992-1-22.pdf?sequence=1

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