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Thanks so much

- county parties across South Carolina, are what some might call the grassroots, but it's what I call the bedrock of Conservatism
- I fully appreciate what you are doing here today, because I began my life in politics as Conservative activist, just like you
- Anderson Co party chair - 1997; SC Senatror, 2004-2017; current Lt. Gov
- While I served in the Senate, I made one simple commitment: promoting your Liberty and protecting your wallet. I didn't always win, but I never walked away from a fight on your behalf.
- Conservatism, for me, reflects the belief that government is a dangerous tool to be used sparingly and only at last resort; a tool which cannot replace God, family, and common sense; and a tool that must be used as close to the local level as possible in order to keep it accountable to the taxpayers.
- Conservatism also reflects the belief that all political issues--including the fiscal issues--are, at heart, moral issues.
- Conservatism has been under assault for several decades, and those of us who strive to defend it often find ourselves in the minority. We find ourselves constantly under fire.
- Every time that I speak across South Carolina, I will make clear my opposition to anything other than true reform that puts the DOT in the cabinet of the governor. AND hands off your wallet!

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God gave it to you, don't let government take it away.