

## McMILLIAN

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budget committee. This is the second ranking position on the committee as one of the 12 members that participate in the Republican leadership. The budget committee draws up the \$1.4 trillion financial blueprint for the nation's federal budget. He is also the ranking Republican on the subcommittee for Commerce, Consumer Protection and Competitiveness which impacts a variety of energy, environmental, health and financial issues, including international trade.

No stranger to Kings Mountain, McMillan served as president of Harris-Teeter Stores when the firm opened in Kings Mountain some years ago. He said he planned to visit the supermarket before he returned to Charlotte. He also visited Gaston College earlier in the day.

McMillan is the only Carolinian to sit on both the House Energy and Commerce Committee and House Budget Committee.

In 1986, he helped form a bipartisan coalition of House members to target excess spending in appropriation bills to reduce the federal deficit. He also authored legislation calling for NATO to share the burden for keeping the world safe for democracy. In 1988, President Reagan signed into law the "McMillan Amendment" to the Housing Bill which empowers public housing residents by providing them with a means to buy their own homes and establish their own self-sufficiency in what is known as the Gateway Project in Charlotte. The 1990 Housing Bill expanded his amendment nationwide to be used by all housing authorities and people in need.

As a former member of the House Banking and Joint Economic Committees, he was one of the first in 1985 to seek a solution to the growing S&L problem.

The 101st Congress was productive for McMillan. He sponsored an amendment to the Clean Air Bill which requires the

Administration to evaluate the financial impact of the Clean Air Act on our trading posture and to propose a plan to guarantee a level playing field. This will ensure that international trade with other nations will not suffer as we protect the environment, he said. McMillan also succeeded in reducing the negative impact of the Clean Air Bill on "clean energy" producing states like North Carolina.

In the 101st Congress he co-sponsored 10 finance and campaign reform bills.

He served as president and chief executive officer of Harris-Teeter Supermarkets from 1976-83 and was vice-president and treasurer of Ruddick Corporation in Charlotte from 1969-83. He was in the U. S. Army Intelligence from 1954-56.

His first elected office was to the Mecklenburg County Commission in 1972. He was first elected to Congress in 1984. He is a former chairman of the Mecklenburg County Board of Social Services.

McMillan, 60, a native of Charlotte, is married and has two children. He is a member and Elder of Myers Park Presbyterian Church in Charlotte.

McMillan predicted that President Bush's showing in the polls will go up after the national convention is history. He said that he expects both candidates for president to wage hard-fought campaigns.

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1991 amortization ordinance," said Wood.

The repealing of the two ordinances would mean that residents of three mobile home parks -- West Gate, Deal Street and East Gold Street Parks -- won't have to move out in five years. And, they won't have to comply with the more stringent zoning laws which under the new ordinance applied to non-conforming mobile home parks.

Wood said at last month's City Council meeting that certain uses of amortization for removal of billboards, junk cars and adult establishments had wide support of a legislative study commission but there was no support for amortization for removal of non-conforming trailer parks.

Owners of West Gate and Deal Street Parks hired legal counsel to fight the city in court and the city hired legal counsel but Wood said that should the legislature pass a bill outlawing what Council wanted to do that it would be a waste of taxpayers money to proceed with a lawsuit.

"The opinion of the N.C. League of Municipalities was that the city had a good case in court but would not win in the General Assembly," he said.

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