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“Obama’s Backyard Problems”

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I have one last chance to plant some seeds of logic in the heads of those who, for no rational reason, seem dead set on voting for Sen. Obama in the upcoming Presidential Election. Throughout this 2-year campaign we have continually heard the rhetoric of “Change We Can Live With” and “America Together Again.” Mr. Obama says he is going to bring these things not only to our Nation’s capitol but to all America as well. He has convinced many of you that he and his fellow Democrats have a magic elixir just ready and waiting for you to take, to heal all the wounds from which our country is bleeding.

“The country cannot stand anymore of George Bush’s methods in any area.” “I and my fellow Democrats will be able to bring us out of this season of doubt and joblessness into a new season of prosperity and peace.” “We will bring our brave American troops from the death ridden streets of Iraq to their hometowns where they will be able to walk and work safely...”

Well, let’s look at a few facts about Mr. Obama’s hometown of Chicago, Ill. The Governor of Illinois is a Democrat; the Mayor of Chicago is a Democrat; Illinois’ two Senators (Obama and Durbin) are both Democrats; its Congressman, Jesse Jackson, Jr., is a Democrat; the House leader in the Illinois legislature is a Democrat; and the Illinois Attorney General is Democrat.

Maybe Obama should bring ‘Change to Live With’ to Illinois’ State Pension Fund that is \$44 Billion in debt. Possibly he should apply his magic potion to Cook County (Chicago) sales tax that is 10.25% and give the middle-class guys and gals a big break. Chicago’s school system is rated as one of the worst in the country, and, as far as Chicago’s safety is concerned... in the first 6 months of 2008 Chicago has had 292 murders of its citizens, almost double the death rate of Americans in Iraq for the same period. Monique Bond, police department spokesperson, said, “gang-related violence presents the most serious danger to Chicago residents. “Gang and gun violence continue to be the dominating threat on our streets,” Bond said. “Up to 60 percent of the shootings are gang related. More than 90 percent of the offenders have criminal histories and up to 80 percent of the victims have criminal histories.” So much for hometown safety.

Maybe Barack should have stated that one of his first American troop deployments, if he is elected President, will be to his own backyard of Chicago because it is more dangerous for Americans there than it is in Iraq.

With so much turmoil on his own turf, in his own hometown, under an all-Democrat led leadership, why couldn’t Obama, who is just 3 short years out of the Illinois legislature, and his Democratic buddies, who brag about creating surpluses, and taking care of the middle-classes, bring

peace and prosperity to the middle-class citizens of Chicago and the state of Illinois? Sorry folks, I just don't understand why do you think Senator Obama, Senate Majority Leader Reid and House Speaker Pelosi are capable of 'fixing' anything, much less Washington politics???

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