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Closing remarks

Thank leadership from all three parties  
1) Bobcat

Two themes: Irene and jobs

IRENE:

- 1) State hospital
- 2) Waterbury/Barre
- 3) State employees
- 4) Transportation budget - jobs creator
- 5) Town benefits:
  - a) For the hardest-hit towns, covered the costs of rebuilding: 3 cents
  - b) Saved towns millions in transportation costs
  - c) Downtown tax credits
  - d) Mobile homes (
  - e) Paying municipal and homeowner match for federal buyout program
- 6) VT Strong

JOBS/PROSPERITY

- 1) Education:
  - a) Commissioner to Secretary
  - b) Dual enrollment funding
  - c) Brattleboro
- 2) Health care
- 3) Energy:
  - a) Energy bill
  - b) Clean energy fund
- 4) Working lands/Ag
- 5) \$2.4 million for Fish and Wildlife
- 6) Secondary packaging - helped manufacturing by passing secondary packaging tax credit
- 7) Cloud computing - I would have liked it to have been a longer moratorium

Closing:

- 1) Balanced budget
- 2) No broad-based taxes
- 3) Property taxes: am pleased that the legislature has followed my recommendation to reduce property taxes on hardworking Vermonters. This was done by:
  - 1) 33 to 35
  - 2) 50% of surplus

