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U.S. SUPREME COURT: REPUBLICANS AND DEMOCRATS OFFER NO CHOICES, JUST PERSONALITIES

John Northrup, Libertarian Party candidate for Governor today quoted a recent decision of the United States Supreme Court to back up his claim that he represents the only choice to individuals who want to cast their vote for "sharply lower taxes, huge spending cuts, and minimizing government interference in their lives."

"Even the U.S. Supreme Court has recognized that the Republican and Democrats could interchange with each other and nobody would know the difference," according to Northrup, a Syracuse CPA who hopes to give the Libertarian Party, the nation's third largest, permanent ballot status in New York State this year.

Northrup quoted Justice Powell in his decision in Democratic Party v. LaFollette where the Judge noted that the strategy of Republicans and Democrats

> "has resulted in vague, ambiguous and overlapping party programs and in elections that offer voters choices between personalities and, at most, general programmatic tendencies, certainly not unequivocal choices between sharply different programs.

The tax proposals of the three candidates for Governor points up the difference. Northrup is calling for an end to the state income tax over four years, resulting in \$8 billion in spending cuts. Mario Cuomo wants to keep state taxes at their current level, while Lew Lehrman, masquerading as a tax cutter, hope to cut 2% from a state budget which is more than 10 times greater than when Nelson Rockefeller, the last millionaire businessman from New York City, ran for Governor as a Republican outsider.

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"Anyone who is willing to keep taxes at a level which grew more than three times faster than the cost of living during Republican and Democratic administrations alike isn't fit to be Governor," according to Northrup, who called on state voters to "not waste their vote on four more years of the big spending, fast talking politics as usual which Lehrman and Cuomo represent."