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ECONOMIC LIBERTY AND CIVIL LIBERTY MERIT EQUAL CONCERN,  
TUCCILLE TELLS L.I.U. AUDIENCE

Jerry Tuccille, Free Libertarian Party candidate for governor, told an audience of Long Island University students that people who claim to be fighting for freedom must recognize the importance of both economic and civil liberties.

Tuccille, the Free Libertarian Party candidate for governor, spoke today (Thursday, 24 October, 11 a.m.) at the Brooklyn campus of L.I.U.

"Businessmen who compete to offer the best products at the lowest prices are subjected to arbitrary restrictions which harm both producers and consumers," Tuccille alleged.

"And just as government restricts peaceful economic activities, so it attempts to regulate personal lifestyles. Legislation makes crimes of sex, drug use, gambling and other forms of private and consensual behavior.

"These two trends, usually viewed as unrelated, are in fact the same phenomenon: government interfering in the lives of individuals who have committed no real crime.

"Laws which create criminal offenses out of activities where no force is involved should be repealed. That applies to legislation which dictates matters of private morality as well as that which imposes controls on production and trade.

"Economic liberty and 'personal' liberty are based on the same principle: individual rights. Government should leave people alone as long as they don't initiate force against others. The right to control one's own life and property belongs to the individual, not to the government.

"Every political group vehemently defends some aspects of individual rights--while loudly denouncing others. Only the Free Libertarian Party has a consistent position on this issue.

"We recognize," concluded Tuccille, "that liberty is a value which cannot be compromised. An advocate of freedom must be willing to work for its achievement in both its economic and civil aspects."