

# Telethons...

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Think about the governmental involvement in the Polio vaccine. The research, the effort, the resolve, the hope, the cure. Think about the millions of children vaccinated in governmental inoculation programs administered through the schools.

Think about your son, your daughter, look in the mirror, look in the playgrounds and the parks. No one need die from Polio ever again. Why not cancer? Why not Muscular Dystrophy?

Yes, direct support for all fatal dis-

eases. You can call it a mild form of socialism if you want. I call it doing what's right. How to distribute the money? Proportionally, by numbers afflicted. How to get the money? Stem the growth of the defense budget. Raise taxes if we must. A hundred dollars out of my paycheck each year would hurt, and believe me, I'd gripe about it. So would you. But, dammit, it's right. The amount of money a disease receives shouldn't depend on the celebrity it attracts, and neither should its victims.

Currently, as presented in telethons, the person who is handicapped is seen as someone who we should feel sorry for,

someone to take pity on, someone who is less than what we are, someone to pat on the head and toss a quarter to as we pass by. And finally, a thing to discard and forget about for another year.

We can't afford to think that way. People with handicaps are part of society. They are real. No better or worse than anybody else. They are not good because they are handicapped, nor are they bad because they are handicapped. They're just people like you and me. And they're not going to go away. They don't disappear after the last seconds of the telethon flicker into darkness. Neither should we. They deserve better.

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