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**STATEMENT BY FRED RYAN,  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF THE  
RONALD REAGAN PRESIDENTIAL FOUNDATION AND INSTITUTE  
ON THE DEATH OF GEORGE P. SHULTZ**



Simi Valley, California – The Reagan Foundation mourns the loss of George P. Shultz, an American Statesman, who served our country with distinction as a Secretary of State, Secretary of the Treasury and Secretary of Labor. He was also a Trustee of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute since 1989.

While delivering remarks at George Shultz’s swearing-in as our nation’s 60<sup>th</sup> Secretary of State, President Reagan so aptly said, “Our country is fortunate to have a man of exception character and qualifications for this vital position.” The President went on to say, “He has served three previous Presidents. He has been immensely successful in his endeavors in the private sector, and he’s highly respected for his academic achievements. Those who know him testify that he’s a man with character and common sense, affable, yet decisive. He’s a man who inspires confidence and leaves no doubt that he’s capable of the vital task that we’re giving him.”

Although we are deeply saddened by the loss of such a great man to our nation, it is poignant that he passed away on the 110<sup>th</sup> birthday of Ronald Reagan. No doubt President Reagan opened his arms, gave him a slice of birthday cake, and smiled down from heaven.

Our nation, and the Reagan Foundation, will be forever indebted to his contributions to America.

Our deepest sympathies and prayers go out to the entire Shultz family.

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