

Richard Lamm

Quotes

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Christmas is the time when kids tell Santa what they want and adults pay for it. Deficits are when adults tell government what they want and their kids pay for it.

~Richard Lamm

America does not need another political campaign based on denial and avoidance of some of our real problems. It needs a crusade to reform and renew our country, its institutions and political system.

~Richard Lamm

I think that retiring the baby boomers is going to be one of the great challenges in America, that you cannot make fiscal sense out of the future of our children without taking on entitlements.

~Richard Lamm

Peace is neither the absence of war nor the presence of a disarmament agreement. Peace is a change of heart.

~Richard Lamm

All we know about the new economic world is that nations which train engineers will prevail over those which train lawyers. No nation has ever sued its way to greatness.

~Richard Lamm

Amnesty is a big billboard, a flashing billboard, to the rest of the world that we don't really mean our immigration law.

~Richard Lamm

Politics is a love-hate relationship. I sure know that.

~Richard Lamm

You know, 600,000 millionaires get a Social Security check every month. I think there's enough waste and inefficiency.

~Richard Lamm

Politics, like theater, is one of those things where you've got to be wise enough to know when to leave.

~Richard Lamm

We have been maintaining a standard of living by putting things on the debt of the next generation.

~Richard Lamm

A nation can't get strong on political pablum.

~Richard Lamm

A Confucian or Jewish love of learning would gain minorities far more than any affirmative action laws we might pass.

~Richard Lamm

America has to ask itself not what it wants, but what it can afford.

~Richard Lamm

I believe we all must face the fact of death. It is both gift and curse.

~Richard Lamm

A nation has its first obligation to its own workers and its own poor.

~Richard Lamm

Employers love cheap labor, but a country should train its own people.

~Richard Lamm

To me, the failure of liberalism - the tradition I come from - was not recognizing there has to be justice across the generations.

~Richard Lamm

I think modern societies have to ask a very basic question: What strategies buy the most health for people? Doctors can do so many marvelous things now. They can keep a corpse alive, almost.

~Richard Lamm

I have no permanent enemies - only people I have yet to persuade.

~Richard Lamm

I think we're rapidly approaching the day where medical science can keep people alive in hospitals, hooked up to tubes and things, far beyond when any kind of quality of life is left at all.

~Richard Lamm

The U.S. needs to do more than change presidents. It needs to change its political culture.

~Richard Lamm

The Democratic Party is not the party of reform.

~Richard Lamm

Sprawl is the American ideal way to develop.

~Richard Lamm

American public policy is run on a myth.

~Richard Lamm

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