

'Separate From Nixon'--GOP Candidates Told

Washington

The chief strategist for House Republican candidates is telling them to get away from President Nixon's coattails if they have to and to go after the landslide conservative-moderate vote of 1972.

"The basic issues that people made a choice on in 1972 are just as alive today as they were then," Representative Robert H. Michel, (Rep-Ill.), said in an interview.

Representative Robert H. Michel, chairman of the House Republican Congressional Campaign Committee, said that the narrower a Republican congressman's margin of victory was in 1972, the more obvious he will have to be in running on his own record this year.

"And if that means separating yourself from the administration and the President particularly, then I say go ahead and do it," he said.

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