

Dole Urges Reaganites To Aid Ford

Oklahoma City

Robert Dole carried a plea to southwestern "Reaganites" yesterday to get out and work for President Ford as the Republican vice presidential candidate jammed eight events in three states into a 14-hour day.

The Kansas senator joked in Springfield, Mo., about going to a nearby farm operated by a man named Nixon.

"George, that is," said Dole. "He's not related to that other fellow. Let me make that perfectly clear."

Dole's audience laughed and applauded.

Dole has appealed to backers of Ronald Reagan to give the same effort to Mr. Ford as they did for the former California governor in his nearly successful race for the GOP presidential nomination.

"We'd like to get them on our side and I think they are on our side vote-wise, but we'd like to get them out there walking the streets and lining up votes for us," he said at an airport news conference in Oklahoma City.

At an outdoor rally in downtown Oklahoma City, he told a crowd of about 1000 that as a neighbor from Kansas he hoped to have their support, "but more importantly, I am your philosophical neighbor."

"I represent the conservative to moderate view in the country," he said.