Lyndon Baines Johnson’s Great Society (1964-1969) Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. Education (E)

1. Civil Rights (CR)

3. Environmental Protection (EP)

5. Housing & Healthcare (H2)

6. Immigration Reform (IR)

4. Consumer Protection (C)

LBJ’s Great Society

Great Society Memory Aid:

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When **Lyndon Johnson** was a young man, he worked as a teacher in Cotulla, a dirt-poor Texas school district with many Hispanic children. He later said,

“Somehow you never forget what poverty and hatred can do when you see its scars on the hopeful face of a young child. I never thought in 1928 that I would be standing here in 1965. It never occurred to me in my fondest dreams that I might have the chance to help the sons and daughters of students. . . But now I do have that chance . . .I do not want to be the president who built empires, or sought grandeur, or extended dominion. I want to be the President who educated young children, who helped feed the hungry, who helped the poor find their own way and who protected the right of every citizen to vote in every election.” (Kearns, Doris, *Lyndon Johnson & the American Dream*, New York: Harper & Row, 1976, 230).

7. Poverty (*War on*..) (P)