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HUMPHREY PUTS HIS TRUST IN THE PEOPLE

Houston, Texas, November 3 -- "As one who has spoken his heart and has fought his fight, ... I have told you exactly where I stand, so that if you vote for me you will know not only whom -- but what you are voting for," Hubert H. Humphrey said today in his final campaign speech.

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"I have not taken the people for granted.

"I have put my trust in the people -- and tried to earn their trust."

Humphrey said he had promised "no easy solution. There are none." The years ahead will be years of trial but the answers to our problems can be found, he said.

The text of his remarks is attached.

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REMARKS BY VICE PRESIDENT HUMBERT H. HUMPHREY
HOUSTON ASTRODOME
HOUSTON, TEXAS
NOVEMBER 3, 1968

This is my final speech of the campaign.

1968 has been no normal campaign year.

There has been almost too much pain, too much shock,
too much violence, too much uncertainty for our people to
sustain.

I entered this campaign knowing what it meant.
And if I succeed on Tuesday, I shall enter the Presidency
knowing what that means.

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America is in crisis. But we have had crises before --
and America has always prevailed.

It is easy for us to forget the crisis of our
parents' generation -- a generation that lost its homes . . .
lost its jobs . . .lost its businesses . . .and in the South
Dakota town where I was born, lost its hopes and dreams in
the blowing dust.

It is all too easy, too, to forget the crises of the
years that followed -- and the sacrifices of men who fought
on beaches and in blood and mud against totalitarianism.

I do not forget those days.

I do not forget the crises which our nation met
and overcame.

But neither do I underestimate the crisis that now runs
through our country.

For we see today in America nothing less than the
confluence of three revolutions.

--the technological revolution of a jet and computer
age;

--the desperate, quiet revolution of the individual
against bigness;

--the revolution of race.

These revolutions could bring this country to violence . . . could challenge the very idea that we are able to govern ourselves -- unless we ensure that they remain peaceful.

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The essential question at the base of all these revolutions is this. Can the individual human being live his own free life -- free of repression by his government, free of the tyranny of machines, free of fear of his fellowman?

I have always believed that freedom was possible.

I have always believed that the basic decency within this nation would one day enable us to lift the veil from our eyes and see each other for what we are as people -- not black or white, not rich or poor, not attending one church or another . . . but as people, standing equally together, free of hate or suspicion.

I have always believed that this rich, creative nation possessed not only the wealth and the inventiveness to build systems of technology. . . but also the wisdom and moral strength to master the machines . . . before the machines master men.

I have believed that within the sharecropper . . . the son of the immigrant . . . the grandson of the slave . . . lay such human potential that America need only call it forth to see its full realization.

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Beyond this city, beyond this campaign, beyond this country, lies a world convulsed by other revolutions --

--revolution of human emancipation . . . of ordinary people against coercion,

--revolution triggered by the deadly triangle -- hunger, disease and overpopulation.

And over all mankind hovers the mushroom cloud of nuclear death.

It is to us -- to America -- that the world's proud and humble, look for leadership.

They see in us the last best hope of earth. And yet they rightly question whether America can be great abroad when she is not great at home.

To them I say: Trust in us. We shall not falter. We shall not fail.

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This country has given me much.

I ask the chance to give back what my country has given me.

I have fought hard in this campaign -- as I shall work ceaselessly in the Presidency.

I have set forth new ideas and new programs in my campaign -- as I shall execute them in the Presidency.

I have made no compromise with extremism in this campaign -- extremism of the right or left -- as I shall not compromise with it in the Presidency.

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I have told you the hard truths about our nation's problems...at home and abroad.

And I have told you what I will do about them.

I have told you exactly where I stand, so that if you vote for me you will know not only whom -- but what you are voting for.

I offer you no easy solutions. There are none.

I tell you that the next four years will be years of trial for the American people.

I tell you also that I do not have all the answers. But I tell you that together we shall find them.

Men made our problems.

Men -- you and I working together -- can solve them.

We can -- and we will.

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I see an America where black and white...Spanish-speaking and English-speaking...will work together and learn together and live together.

I see an America lifting again the torch of moral leadership in the world.

I see an America where every child in every house will grow up with the best education...the best health...the best chance for individual human expression that society has known.

Remarks of Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey
Astrodome, Houston, Texas

November 3, 1968

Vice President Humphrey: Thank you, President Johnson. Thank you, thank you, Mr. President.

Mr. President, my dear friends, and the lovely and wonderful Mrs. Lyndon Johnson, my wonderful friends, and what a magnificent wonderful first lady, . Senator Yarborough, and Mrs. Yarborough, two distinguished Congressmen here in this area, Congressman Ichord and Congressman Katzen, and the other members of this distinguished congressional delegation, my fellow Democrats and my fellow Americans, what a day, what a day you give me in Houston in this great Astrodome.

What a high honor it is, one that comes very seldom, if ever, to anyone in either public or private life, to be presented in such a generous, warm and sincere manner as came to me today when I was introduced to you by one of the truly great men of our country and for all times, the President of the United States, my friend and yours.

(Applause)

I was told by Ralph Yarborough that we would have a little meeting down in Houston, and I forgot what he meant by a little meeting in Texas. I am overwhelmed.

I hope our Republican friends won't be shocked but I hope they will be frightened.

(Applause)

This is politics Texas style, American style, big, enthusiastic and friendly politics, and that is the Democratic style, too.

Something is happening in America, friends, something is happening, and I hope that you sense it as I do, the aroma, yes, the sweet sense of Democratic victory is in the air right now.

(Applause)

You know I jokingly said from many a platform that some people have indicated that Mr. Republican had this election in the bag, and I have said to them when he opens that bag on election day, November 5th, out will jump Humphrey and Muskie.

(Applause)

That is with your help, and it is your help that counts, because this is, as every one of us knows, no normal campaign year. This has been a year that we all remember, a year of unpredictability, far too much pain, too much shock, sometimes too much violence, too much uncertainty for our people to sustain, and yet, my fellow Americans, this great Republic and its institutions have been able to take it, and we are here today as a proud people, and a strong people.

(Applause)

I entered this campaign knowing what it meant, knowing the uphill fight, and if we succeed on Tuesday, and I think we shall, I shall enter the Presidency, Mr. President, because of your help knowing at least a little of what it means. I have served with a great President who has courageously borne the demanding and heavy burdens

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of his office, and I am proud, yes, very proud, to be the Vice President of the United States during the presidency of Lyndon Baines Johnson.

(Applause)

I have been, at least I have tried to be, and I will continue to be for all the years to come, his faithful friend, and during these months of his presidency, his loyal Vice President, and proud of it.

(Applause)

But no one knows better than President Johnson, as he has said from this platform today, that America is in crisis, but we have had crises before, and the American people have always prevailed. It is mighty easy for us to forget the crises of our parents' generation, a generation that lost its homes and lost its jobs; lost, its businesses and out in South Dakota, where I was born, lost its hopes, lost its dreams in the blowing dust of the sandstorms and the windstorms. But I saw those hopes reborn, and I saw them reborn under a great democratic President, and every crisis has called for a Democratic President to give new life to the hopes of the American people.

(Applause)

And it is all too easy to forget the crises of the years that followed, the sacrifices of men by the millions who fought on the beaches and in blood and mud against totalitarianism. We do not forget those days, but we saw freedom win because the American people have the character that it takes and because two great Democratic Presidents, Franklin Roosevelt and Harry Truman had the strength and the character that was required.

(Applause)

And I do not forget the crises, the many others, which our Nation has met and overcame. But I do not under-estimate the difficulties and the crisis that now runs through our country. For we see today in America nothing less than the confluence of the great forces of change, literally the confluence of the coming together of three revolutions: the technological revolution of the space age, the jet, and the computer; the desperate, quiet revolution of the individual against the impersonality of bigness; and the revolution of race, and these revolutions could bring this country to violence, could challenge the very idea that we are able to govern ourselves, unless we remain a peaceful people, and that we have learned how to trust one another to work together as a family of friends and not a community of enemies.

(Applause)

The essential question, then, at the base of all of these revolutions is this question: Can the individual for which this Nation stands, can that individual human being live his own life free, free of repression by his government, free of the tyranny of machines, free of the fear of his fellow man. I have always believed that we could, and I have always believed that freedom was possible, and I have always believed that both order and justice at the same time are possible.

(Applause)

And I have always believed, too, that the basic decency within this Nation would enable us to lift the veil from our eyes and see each

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other for what we are as a people, not black or white, not rich or poor, not attending one church or another, but as a people, the American people, standing proudly and equally together, free of hate and free of suspicion, which is the only way that you ought to be in America.

And I have always believed that this rich, creative Nation possessed not only the wealth and the inventiveness to build systems of technology, but also the wisdom and the moral strength to master the machines before the machines master man. I believe that within the sharecropper, the son of the immigrant, the grandson of the slave, lay such human potential that America need only call it forth to see its full realization. I believe that America's greatest days are yet to be lived, that is why I seek the Presidency.

But, beyond this city, beyond this campaign, and even beyond this country lies a world torn, tormented by other revolutions, the revolution of human emancipation of ordinary people against coercion and force; the revolution triggered by the deadly triangle of hunger, disease and over-population, and over all mankind hangs that mushroom cloud of nuclear war, and nuclear disaster, and the highest calling of the Presidency, which our President Johnson and those before him have so faithfully fulfilled, is to prevent that tragedy from occurring. Thank God for such leadership.

(Applause)

Now, it is to us, we here in America, that the world's proud, the weak, the weak and the humble look for leadership. They do see in us something that is beautiful, something that we must keep that way. They see in us the last best hope of earth, and yet they rightly question whether or not America can be great abroad unless she is truly great at home. So I say to them from his platform, trust in us, put your faith in us. We shall not falter, we shall not fail. We keep our word.

(Applause)

This country has given me much. I am indebted to it for all of my life and I ask now the chance to give back what my country has given to me, and to give it the full measure of whatever ability I may have. I have fought hard in this campaign, as I shall work ceaselessly in the Presidency.

I have set forth new ideas and new programs as I shall execute them in the Presidency.

I have made no compromise with extremism in this campaign, extremism of the right or extremism of the left, as I shall make no compromise with it during my presidency.

(Applause)

And I shall not condone violence or lawlessness, nor shall I condone injustice or despair. America is taking care of both, and together we shall do it.

(Applause)

I have sometimes set my face against the tide of public opinion, and I don't regret a moment of it, and I shall seek to lead that opinion in the Presidency. I believe the Presidency is not worth winning if winning it means compromising its integrity or compromising the personal beliefs of the man who seeks to win it.

(Applause)

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So, today, I come before you as one who has spoken from his heart as well as from his mind and who has fought his fight, and hopefully fighting your fight. And I come before you as one who is proud to represent the Democratic Party in this campaign, and proud to represent, may I say, the administration of which I have been a part, an administration that will go down in history as one of the greatest,

(Applause)

Ladies and gentlemen, I have said the same thing in the north as I have in the south, because to me there is no north, no south, no east, no west. There just is America. I have not taken the people for granted. I have put my trust in the people, I have gone to the people to share my thoughts, and to listen to their concerns, and I have told you the hard truths about our nation's problems at home and abroad, and I have told you, too, to the best of my ability, what I will do about them. That is what a campaign is all about. I only wish our opposition would do the same.

(Applause)

And I have told you where I stand, so that when you vote for me you will know not only whom but what you are voting for.

(Applause)

And I have offered you no easy solutions because, ladies and gentlemen, there are none. I tell you that the next four years will be years of trial, they will be years of challenge for the American people and for the American President, but they will be years that are filled with the most exciting experiences of our century. Come join me in this.

(Applause)

And I tell you, also, that I do not have all of the answers. No man has, but I tell you that together we shall find them. This is the meaning of our democracy, the people and their leaders thinking together, working together, deciding together, and moving forward together and, my fellow Americans, we will move forward together if you give me your help.

(Applause)

People have made our problems. People, you, and I, working together, can solve them. I know we can, and what is more is, I know that we will.

Yes, America's greatest days are yet to be had. Our finest victory is yet to be won. The story of America is the unfinished business of a great people, and I want us to write another chapter of greatness in that book of life of this Nation.

(Applause)

So let me give you my vision of America, the America that we must have, and the America that we have been building together. I see an America where black and white, Spanish-speaking and English-speaking will work together, will learn together and will live together.

(Applause)

I see an America lifting high the torch of not only of great political and economic leadership in this world but more importantly than that, our moral leadership in the world.

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And I see an America where every child, Mr. President, as you have wanted it, every child in every house will grow up with the best education that a people can provide, the best health, and the best chance for individual development and expression that any society has ever known. That is the America that we want.

(Applause)

And I see an America where men do not bow down to helplessness and despair, overwhelmed by bigness and machines but they stand tall, and they are erect and they are masters of their fate.

I see an America where the young, where the young will help guide the decisions of our national life, and I see an America not only powerful and rich but more importantly just and compassionate, that is our America.

(Applause)

I see an America that we have been building together, and that we will continue to build, where the old and the handicapped are respected, and where they are helped, and I see an America that is wide open with opportunity, young in spirit, free, unafraid, and an America that is filled with hope and brotherhood which is the message of this Nation to the entire world.

(Applause)

Yes, I see our America, yours and mine, at peace with itself, and at peace with the family of man. This is my vision of the America that we are working toward. This is my vision of the America that can be and this is my vision, with your help, of the America that will be, and what a great glory it will be for us.

So, my fellow Americans, two days from now the American people will exercise that great sovereign power of the right of the ballot, and they will be in the voting booth where they will make the great decision as to who shall lead them. Whom can they trust, whom can they trust to work for a better America at home, and a stronger America at home and abroad, and the people will speak with that ballot, and they will be heard. I want you to speak with that ballot, and I want you to speak for your team and for your ticket. I want you to speak for your party, because I believe it is good for America.

(Applause)

The American people will make their decision about the kind of a world in which their children will live, and I want you, my fellow Americans, to vote your hopes not your hates, to vote your faith, not your doubts, to vote your ideals, not your suspicions, and if you vote that way, ladies and gentlemen, there is no doubt in my mind that the Democratic ticket that is on that ballot for which you can cast your vote will triumph, and victory will be ours.

(Applause)

I know and you know that no one man, no one man can alone lead this country out of any crisis and into a certain or happier future. We must work together, and that is the team my friends, of this decade, together, building together, planning together, working together, learning together, living together, and trusting one another, and if we do it there is nothing that we cannot do to make our lives better.

(Applause)

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So I ask this great assemblage today to reject those voices of hate and doubt, to reject those voices of suspicion and despair, I ask you to reject those who ask America to stand still. I ask you to join those forces represented on this platform, to join your President, to join me, your Vice President, to join me as your candidate in seeing that America does continue on the upward path of a better and new day for this country.

(Applause)

And with that, I want to give you my pledge: If you will trust me, I shall do my best, with God's help, to call forth from America the best that lies within it that might have so much good within it. I shall call forth the basic decency and the basic goodness that have served this country in other days. I shall appeal to them for their goodness and greatness that defines the American character. I shall tell the truth to the people, and in the days ahead I shall ask them to help me, and, above all, I shall not be afraid.

As the Psalmist said, I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, whence cometh all my strength," and, ladies and gentlemen, I lift my eyes up to you, the people, from whence cometh the strength of our democracy.

Give me your help, give us your help, and we can do anything, we can win, we can win this great election on November the 5th.

(Applause)

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REMARKS

VICE PRESIDENT HUBERT H. HUMPHREY

HOUSTON ASTRODOME

HOUSTON, TEXAS

NOVEMBER 3, 1968

↳ this is politics - Texas style - big, enthusiastic and friendly, ~~what~~
↳ ~~this is my final role in the campaign~~
↳ The aroma of Democratic Victory is in the AIR!
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And if I succeed on Tuesday, I shall enter the Presidency knowing what that means.

~~I have~~ I have served with a great President who has courageously borne the demanding and heavy burdens of his office. I am proud to be Vice President during

I have been, am, will
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faithful friend &
Loyal V.P.

The Presidency of Lyndon Johnson
no one knows better than President Johnson

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parents' generation -- a generation that lost its homes ...

lost its jobs ... lost its businesses ... and in the South

Dakota town where I was born, lost its hopes and dreams in

the blowing dust. But I saw those hopes reborn
under FDR

↳ It is all too easy, too, to forget the crises of the
years that followed -- and the sacrifices of men who fought on
beaches and in blood and mud against totalitarianism.

↳ I do not forget those days. I saw freedom
was under Roosevelt
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and overcame.

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enter the voting booth. The people will speak and they
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↳ They will make their choice about the kind of
America they want for themselves and their loved ones.

↳ They will make their decision about the kind of
world in which their children will live. (Pause)

↳ No one man can alone lead this country out of
crisis and into a certain, happier future. We must work together --
and trust one another.

↳ If you will trust me, I shall do my best to call
forth from America the best that lies within it.

*Ask you to vote
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Give me your help.

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this country,
~~America's shores,~~ lies a world convulsed by other revolutions --

-- ~~the rising of the masses against ancient feudal~~
~~dictatorships;~~

-- ~~the revolt of brave peoples against modern Communist~~
the rule of
revolution of human emancipation... of
~~dictatorship;~~ *ordinary people against coercion;*

-- the revolution triggered by the deadly triangle --
hunger, disease and overpopulation.

And over all mankind hovers the mushroom cloud
of nuclear death.

It is to us -- to America -- that the world's proud
and humble look ~~for help~~ *leadership.*

~~It is to us these challenges, too, fall.~~

They see in us the last best hope of earth. And
yet ~~sometimes~~ ^{rightly} they question whether America can be great
abroad when she is not great at home.

To them I say: Trust in us, ~~We~~ shall not falter,
~~We~~ shall not fail.

* * *

~~My friends,~~ ^T this country has given me much.

I have followed a long trail from the South Dakota
plains and the Minnesota lakes and pines to this place today,
where I stand and ask the chance to lead.

I ask the chance to give back what my country has
given me.

I have fought hard in this campaign -- as
I shall work ceaselessly in the Presidency.

I have set forth new ideas and new programs in
my campaign -- as I shall execute them in the Presidency.

I have made no compromise with extremism in this
campaign -- extremism of the right or left -- as I shall not
compromise with it in the Presidency.

I have sometimes set my face against the tide of public opinion -- as I shall lead that opinion in the Presidency.

For I believe that the Presidency is not worth winning → if winning it means compromising its integrity -- or compromising the personal beliefs of the man who wins it.

I come before you now as one who has spoken his heart and has fought his fight.

I have said the same thing in the North as in the South.

I have not taken the people for granted.

I have put my trust in the people -- and tried to earn their trust.

I have told you the hard truths about our nation's problems...at home and abroad.

And I have told you what I will do about them.

I have told you exactly where I stand, so that if you vote for me you will know not only whom -- but what you are voting for.

I offer you no easy solutions. There are none.

I tell you that the next four years will be years of trial for the American people.

I tell you also that I do not have all the answers. But I tell you that together we shall find them.

Men made our problems. Men -- you and I working together -- can solve them. We can -- and we will.

* * *

I see an America where black and white... Spanish-speaking and English-speaking... will work together and learn together and live together.

I see an America lifting again the torch of moral leadership in the world.

I see an America where every child in every house will grow up with the best education...the best health...the best chance for individual human expression that society has known.

I see an America where men do not cower helpless... overwhelmed by bigness and by machines...but stand erect, masters of their fate.

I see an America where the young ~~will help~~ ~~part of the~~ ~~action of the~~ guide the decisions of national life.

I see an America open...young ... free... unafraid...filled with hope and brotherhood.

I see an America at peace.

And I believe that vision can be made reality.

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Two days from now the American people will enter the voting booth with their private thoughts.

They will decide on Tuesday.

They will make their choice about the nature of their society.

They will make their decision about the kind of world in which their children will live.

No one man can alone lead this country out of crisis and into a certain, happier future.

But if you will trust me, I ~~will~~ tell you that I shall call forth from America the best that lies within it.

I shall tell the truth to the people.

I shall ask them to help me.

And, above all, I shall not be afraid.

The Psalmist said: ~~I~~ I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, whence cometh ~~my help.~~ → all my strength.

~~Give~~
Join with me.

~~To have that strength,~~ Give me I need your help.

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A. Scott
Nov. 1, 1968

Remarks
Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey
Houston, Texas (Astrodome)
November 3, 1968

Not in release

Where is Mr. Nixon?

Governor Connally is here, Senator Yarborough is here. Mayor

Welch is here (etc.). The people of Texas are here. But . . .

Begin release

Where is Mr. Nixon?

He was invited. I ~~think~~ ^{I should think} a computerized, push button, punch-
card, politician like Mr. Nixon ~~would feel right at home in this~~ ^{would feel right at home.}

^{in this} magnificent astrodome ^{with} its computerized scoreboard, its plastic
glass and its artificial grass.

It's the ^{real} ~~real~~ people that give him trouble.

I could have told ^{him} ~~them~~ . . . there's no machine ~~that~~ can make ^{told them}
a punch card out of an American ^{voter, especially a Texan,} ~~and especially a Texan!~~ ^{not to come.}

^{and} Americans are not punch card people . . . and they don't want
a punch-card President.

~~The Astrodome is well
engineered... and
some Mr. Nixon
The Astrodome is a great big
empty shell
is no more.
But there is one difference...
The Astrodome has
real people.~~

I should think

would feel right at home.

to this
magnificent
Astrodome but has
trouble getting
his computer to
tell them

we won't have
That computer
to know it worked
very well, anyway

We are going to make that abundantly clear to Mr. Nixon and Governor Agnew on November 5th. We are going to win, and we are going to win Texas style -- Big!

~~solidly .. and bid~~
xxx

Fellow Americans, a fantastic future for America is now within our sight . . . almost within our grasp.


On November 5th, you must answer the question. Whom do you trust to lead America into this bright tomorrow?

Mr. Nixon talks about new leadership. But where has he been since he lost to John F. Kennedy, ~~and then lost again~~ in California?

I'll tell you where, ~~he has been~~ on the sidelines of this society . . . hidden away in ~~his own~~ closet of silence . . . remote . . . and uninvolved.

Wendel Wilkie was defeated, but went back to serve his country.

Adlai Stevenson was defeated, yet served his country long and well.

 Mr. Nixon's running mate in 1960, Henry Cabot Lodge, turned defeat into service.

^{not} But where did Mr. Nixon go. He went to Wall Street -- to

nurse his personal fortune.

Now, Richard ^{he} Nixon has taken his tattered political ~~conscience~~ ^{stet}

out of moth balls. He says we need new leadership.

I submit America won't find it in a Republican team composed of

a two-time loser and Spiro ^J Agnew.

There is too much that needs doing -- too much that requires the

trust and confidence of the people . . . and concern for them.

We have a sense of moral purpose that needs fulfillment --

It isn't right when ^h children go to bed hungry on Indian

reservations;

and you can't do that from a Park Avenue apartment.

--when teenagers are out of school, out of work, out of hope.

It ^{is} not right when Mexican-American children drown in

irrigation ditches because there are no day nurseries to care for them

while their mothers work.

It ^{is} not right when a grandfather loses hope in a lonely room.

--when 20 million Americans are hungry ~~while millions more~~

are worried about overweight.

It is not right to ~~ask any~~ ^{give an} American to take an equal chance to die for his country, ^{and} then ~~to~~ deny him an equal chance to live in his country.

And it is not right when the people of the world find themselves perpetually poised on the brink of nuclear annihilation.

Whom do you trust ^{to deal with these challenges?}
 Who cares about you? ^{about the people... about}

Who gave ^{you} Social Security, Medicare, and federal aid to education? <sup>Who gave you rural electrification and...
~~must have farm loans?~~</sup>

Not Mr. Nixon . . . or his Republican party ^{and you know it.}

Not the Republicans who are calling for more unemployment . . . when America must promise every man ^{the dignity of} a job.

Not the candidate who ^{offers} demands a fifty billion dollar escalation of the arms race . . . when humanity demands ~~an~~ an end to the arms race.

In my book, it's the same old Nixon and the same old Republican party that Jack Kennedy licked . . . and we're going to do it again.

The world ^{cries} ~~crys~~ out for a generation of great men . . . a generation of great ideas . . . a generation of greatness.

Ed Muskie . . . and I . . . and the leadership of the Democratic party . . . and the hundreds of thousands of young people who have found their political voice -- are prepared to provide it.

This is the new face of leadership in America.

This can be our generation of greatness.

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Through much of this year we have seen America ■ stifled by the ■ stale air of acrimony and division, of doubt and fear. { But now, at long last, peace is in the air -- peace at home and, God willing, peace in Vietnam.

~~I want you to take my hand.~~

There is a nation to unite, there is a world to heal.

~~There is a tomorrow of greatness if we will reach out and make~~

And I think we sense once again
~~it ours.~~

~~still has love in its heart,~~ that America still tempers its power with
compassion, that America has greatness in its soul.

When I am elected,
And when I ~~get to the White House,~~ if I can't hear you from

Washington, I will put wheels on the White House and come to you.

Today for now I / *I will*
~~Now we~~ need your votes. / And then ~~we~~ will need your ideas,

your talents, your inspiration.

And
As for myself I offer you the words of Nathan Hale:

"I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do everything but I
can do something. And what I can do that I ought to do, and what I
ought to do by the grace of God, I shall do."

I have prepared for *this* ~~the~~ moment, not on the sidelines of society,
~~but~~ but in the day-by-day struggle for a better America, and a
better world.

I do not shrink from it.

With your help -- above all, with faith in you, the *American*
people -- I shall lead this country forward to a New Day of peace --
unity -- and above all, of justice.

I am ready now.

And I ask your help.

~~Will you give that help?~~

~~Handwritten mark~~

Thank you

And there is the third reality of our time . . . the reality of stagnation . . . or progress . . . in the search for human rights . . . social justice . . . and continued economic prosperity.

then We are a great people . . . ~~but our true greatness has not been known.~~

In this campaign, I have spoken out . . . despite warnings that America has had enough . . . that this must be a fallow time in the search for justice . . . that our people are seeking only ease and security.

I do not believe that this represents the character and strength of our people . . . we seek -- above all -- greatness and compassion for all men.

I have spoken with our people about the needs of
America -- openly, forthrightly, and honestly.

I have called on them to promise themselves
And they have answered with their own commitment

to finding answers . . . to fulfilling the greatness of America:

--that no single child will go hungry

--that no single child will be denied good health . . .

an excellent education . . . a chance to unlock the door to
life, and develop to the limits of his abilities.

--that no single family will live in poverty;

--that no one who wants to work will lack a job at
decent wages.

This is what I have heard from the people . . . and
more. And I shall respond.

REMARKS

VICE PRESIDENT HUBERT H. [REDACTED] HUMPHREY
HOUSTON, TEXAS (ASTRODOME)
NOVEMBER 3, 1968

WHERE IS [REDACTED] MR. NIXON?

GOVERNOR CONNALLY IS HERE, SENATOR YARBOROUGH IS HERE. MAYOR WELCH IS HERE (ETC.). THE PEOPLE OF TEXAS ARE HERE. BUT

BEGIN RELEASE HERE

WHERE IS MR. NIXON?

HE WAS INVITED TO THIS MAGNIFICENT ASTRODOME, BUT HIS COMPUTER TOLD HIM NOT TO COME.

THAT COMPUTER HASN'T WORKED VERY WELL, ANYWAY.

I COULD HAVE TOLD HIM ... NO MACHINE CAN MAKE A PUNCH CARD OUT OF AN AMERICAN VOTER -- ESPECIALLY A TEXAN.

WE ARE NOT PUNCH CARD PEOPLE ... AND WE WON'T HAVE A PUNCH-CARD PRESIDENT.

WE ARE GOING TO MAKE THAT ABUNDANTLY CLEAR TO MR. NIXON AND GOVERNOR AGNEW ON NOVEMBER 5TH. WE ARE GOING TO WIN, AND WE ARE GOING TO WIN TEXAS STYLE -- BIG.

FELLOW AMERICANS, A FANTASTIC FUTURE FOR AMERICA IS NOW WITHIN OUR SIGHT ... ALMOST WITHIN OUR GRASP.

ON NOVEMBER 5TH, YOU MUST ANSWER THE QUESTION. WHO DO YOU TRUST TO LEAD AMERICA INTO THIS BRIGHT TOMORROW?

MR. NIXON TALKS ABOUT NEW LEADERSHIP. BUT WHERE HAS HE BEEN SINCE HE LOST TO JOHN F. KENNEDY, LOST IN CALIFORNIA?

I'LL TELL YOU WHERE: ON THE SIDELINES OF THIS SOCIETY ... HIDDEN AWAY IN A CLOSET OF SILENCE ... REMOTE ... AND UNINVOLVED.

WENDELL WILKIE WAS DEFEATED, BUT WENT BACK TO SERVE HIS COUNTRY. ADLAI STEVENSON WAS DEFEATED, YET [REDACTED] SERVED HIS COUNTRY LONG AND WELL. MR. NIXON'S RUNNING MATE IN 1960, HENRY CABOT LODGE, TURNED DEFEAT INTO SERVICE.

BUT NOT MR. NIXON. HE WENT TO WALL STREET -- TO NURSE HIS PERSONAL FORTUNE.

NOW, HE HAS TAKEN HIS POLITICAL CONSCIENCE OUT OF MOTHBALLS. HE SAYS WE NEED NEW LEADERSHIP.

I SUBMIT AMERICA WON'T FIND IT IN A REPUBLICAN TEAM COMPOSED OF A TW-TIME LOSER AND SPIRO [REDACTED] T. AGNEW.

THERE IS TOO MUCH THAT NEEDS DOING -- TOO MUCH THAT REQUIRES THE TRUST AND CONFIDENCE OF THE PEOPLE ... AND CONCERN FOR THEM.

WE HAVE A SENSE OF MORAL PURPOSE THAT NEEDS FULFILLMENT -- AND YOU CAN'T DO THAT FROM A PARK AVENUE APARTMENT.

IT ISN'T RIGHT -- WHEN CHILDREN GO TO BED HUNGRY ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS;

-- WHEN TEENAGERS ARE OUT OF SCHOOL, OUT OF WORK, OUT OF HOPE.

IT IS NOT RIGHT WHEN MEXICAN-AMERICAN CHILDREN DROWN IN IRRIGATION DITCHES BECAUSE THERE ARE NO DAY NURSERIES TO CARE FOR THEM WHILE THEIR MOTHERS WORK.

IT 'S NOT RIGHT WHEN A GRANDFATHER LOSES HOPE IN A LONELY ROOM.

-- WHEN 20 MILLION AMERICANS ARE HUNGRY.

IT IS NOT RIGHT TO GIVE AN AMERICAN AN EQUAL CHANCE TO DIE FOR HIS COUNTRY ... AND THEN DENY HIM AN EQUAL CHANCE TO LIVE IN HIS COUNTRY.

AND IT IS NOT RIGHT WHEN THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD FIND THEMSELVES PERPETUALLY POISED ON THE BRINK OF NUCLEAR ANILATION.

WHOM DO YOU TRUST TO DEAL WITH THESE CHALLENGES?

WHO CARES ABOUT THE PEOPLE ... ABOUT YOU?

WHO GAVE THEM SOCIAL SECURITY, MEDICARE, AND FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION? WHO GAVE THEM RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND ... FARM LOANS?

NOT MR. NIXON ... OR HIS REPUBLICAN PARTY, AND YOU KNOW IT.

THE WORLD CRIES OUT FOR A GENERATION OF GREAT MEN ... A GENERATION OF GREAT IDEAS ... A GENERATION OF GREATNESS.

ED MUSKIE ... AND I ... AND THE LEADERSHIP OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY ... AND THE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE FOUND THEIR POLITICAL VOICE -- ARE PREPARED TO PROVIDE IT.

THIS IS THE NEW FACE OF LEADERSHIP IN AMERICA.

THIS CAN BBE OUR GENERATION OF GREATNESS.

THROUGH MUCH OF THIS YEAR, WE HAVE SEEN AMERICA STIFLED BY THE STALE AIR OF ACRIMONY AND DIVISION, OF DOUBT AND FEAR.

BUT NOW, AT LONG LAST, PEACE IS IN THE AIR -- PEACE AT HOME, AND GOD WILLING, PEACE IN VIETNAM.

THERE IS A NATION TO UNITE, THERE IS A WORLD TO HEAL.

AND I THINK WE SENSE ONCE AGAIN THAT WE ARE A GREAT PEOPLE.

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IN THIS CAMPAIGN, I HAVE [REDACTED] SPOKEN OUT ... DESPITE WARNINGS THAT AMERICA HAS HAD ENOUGH ... THAT [REDACTED] THIS MUST BE A FALLOW TIME IN THE SEARCH FOR JUSTICE ... THAT OUR PEOPLE ARE SEEKING ONLY EASE AND SECURITY.

I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THIS REPRESENTS THE CHARACTER AND STRENGTH OF OUR PEOPLE ... WE SEEK -- ABOVE ALL -- GREATNESS AND COMPASSION FOR ALL MEN.

I HAVE SPOKEN WITH OUR PEOPLE ABOUT THE NEEDS OF AMERICA -- OPENLY, FORTHRIGHTLY, AND HONESTLY.

I HAVE CALLED ON THEM TO PROMISE THEMSELVES

-- THAT NO SINGLE CHILD WILL GO HUNGRY

-- THAT NO SINGLE CHILD WILL BE DENIED GOOD HEALTH ... AN EXCELLENT EDUCATION ... A CHANCE TO UNLOCK THE DOOR TO LIFE, AND DEVELOP TO THE LIMITS OF HIS ABILITIES.

-- THAT NO SINGLE FAMILY WILL LIVE IN POVERTY;

-- THAT NO ONE WHO WANTS TO WORK WILL LACK A JOB AT DECENT WAGES.

AND THEY HAVE ANSWERED WITH THEIR OWN COMMITMENT TO FINDING
ANSWERS ... TO FULFILLING THE GREATNESS OF AMERICA:

THIS IS WHAT I HAVE HEARD FROM THE PEOPLE ... AND MORE.

AND I SHALL RESPOND. [REDACTED]

WHEN I AM ELECTED ... IF I CAN TEAR YOU FROM WASHINGTON, I
WILL PUT WHEELS ON THE WHITE HOUSE AND COME TO YOU.

[REDACTED] TWO DAYS FROM NOW I NEED YOUR VOTES.

AND THEN I SHALL NEED YOUR IDEAS, YOUR TALENTS, YOUR INSPIRATION.
AND I OFFER YOU THE WORDS OF NATHAN HALE:

"I AM ONLY ONE, BUT I AM ONE. I CANNOT DO EVERYTHING BUT I CAN
DO SOMETHING. AND WHAT I CAN DO THAT I OUGHT TO DO, AND WHAT I OUGHT
TO DO BY THE GRACE OF GOD, I SHALL DO."

I HAVE PREPARED FOR THIS MOMENT NOT ON THE SIDELINES OF SOCIETY,
BUT IN THE DAY-BY-DAY STRUGGLE FOR A BETTER AMERICA, AND A BETTER
WORLD.

I DO NOT SHRINK FROM IT.

WITH YOUR HELP -- ABOVE ALL,, WITH FAITH IN YOU, THE AMERICAN
PEOPLE -- I SHALL LEAD THIS COUNTRY FORWARD TO A NEW DAY OF PEACE --
UNITY -- AND ABOVE ALL, OF JUSTICE.

AND I ASK YOUR HELP.



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