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REMARKS

SENATOR HUBERT H. HUMPHREY

VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA —

NEW YORK, N. Y.

+ friends.

MARCH 8, 1971

Gov. Mayor

President of Congress

President

AMERICA: THE VOLUNTEER SPIRIT

Hebert  
Dr Hebert

Rev clergy

Genl Mc Mahon

Dewitt & Lila Wallace (Honored Guests)

my Main friends

Col Robert Nott  
Col Miriam Mott

Ballington  
March  
Booth  
award

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THE EIGHTEENTH CENTURY POLITICAL  
PHILOSOPHER, JEAN JACQUES ROUSSEAU, COMMENTED  
IN THE SOCIAL CONTRACT THAT "AS SOON AS  
PUBLIC SERVICE CEASES TO BE THE CHIEF BUSINESS  
OF THE CITIZENS, . . . THE STATE IS NOT  
FAR FROM ITS FALL." BUT HE PERHAPS EXPRESSED  
A MORE UNIVERSAL TRUTH AT A LATER POINT  
IN ASKING, "WHAT WISDOM CAN YOU FIND THAT  
IS GREATER THAN KINDNESS?"

I FIND A BASIC UNITY IN THESE  
STATEMENTS. ~~FOR~~ THE GREATEST NEED IN AMERICA  
TODAY IS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FIRM PARTNERSHIP  
OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE RESOURCES IN MEETING THE  
CRITICAL DOMESTIC SOCIAL WELFARE NEEDS OF OUR  
PEOPLE.

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THE ACCEPTANCE OF A FUNDAMENTAL SOCIAL  
 RESPONSIBILITY BY <sup>Corporate</sup> ~~BUSINESSES AND INSURANCE~~  
~~COMPANIES~~ OVER THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS IN  
<sup>Attacking</sup> ~~ADDRESSING~~ THE CAUSES OF POVERTY AND TENSION  
 PRODUCING THE CRISIS OF OUR CITIES, IS A  
 CASE IN POINT. <sup>WITHOUT</sup> INDIVIDUAL AND  
 CORPORATE INVOLVEMENT IN EFFORTS TO HELP  
 PEOPLE IN NEED AND TO RESTORE THAT VITAL  
 SENSE OF PRIDE AND FULFILLMENT IN OUR  
 COMMUNITIES, GOVERNMENT AT ALL LEVELS ~~MUST~~  
<sup>will</sup> ~~ULTIMATELY~~ FAIL TO <sup>provide</sup> ~~FUNCTION IN PROVIDING~~  
 CRITICALLY NEEDED PUBLIC SERVICES, ~~AND IN~~  
~~SECURING THE SECURITY OF SOCIETY.~~

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- financial  
training  
 - Plans for  
Programs

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~~IT~~ <sup>IT</sup> HAS ALSO BEEN A HALLMARK OF  
AMERICA THAT STRAIGHTFORWARD KINDNESS, *compassion* -  
DESIGNED TO HELP OTHERS TO STAND UP AND  
BREATHE FREE AND LIVE A DECENT AND MEANINGFUL  
LIFE, HAS NEVER BEEN WITHHELD.

*L* HOWEVER, TODAY, AS PERHAPS NEVER BEFORE  
IN OUR NATION'S HISTORY, A PUBLIC AND PRIVATE  
PARTNERSHIP MUST BE FORGED IN A TOTAL  
COMMITMENT TO ASSURE ALL OUR PEOPLE THE  
OPPORTUNITY FOR DECENT HOUSING, A QUALITY  
EDUCATION, ACCESS TO ADEQUATE MEDICAL AND  
HOSPITAL CARE, AND FULL AND USEFUL EMPLOYMENT.

*America must mean more than  
power + wealth -  
It must mean Justice + opportunity  
in freedom  
Yes, opportunity - real and available!*

Opportunity is not real + Available when  
illness, disease, + despair are the  
Pattern of life. - 4 -

IT IS TO THIS SPECIFIC AGENDA OF NATIONAL

PRIORITIES THAT, TOGETHER, WE MUST DEVOTE

OUR FULL ENERGIES IN THE DECADE OF THE

SEVENTIES. ~~As we celebrate our 200th Anniversary~~  
~~Turn Page Book~~

IT HAS BEEN WELL SAID BY THE POLITICAL

THEOLOGIAN, REINHOLD NIEBUHR, THAT "MAN'S

CAPACITY FOR JUSTICE MAKES DEMOCRACY

POSSIBLE; BUT MAN'S INCLINATION TO INJUSTICE

MAKES DEMOCRACY NECESSARY."

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For what shall we be remembered?  
~~and weapons~~ The Quantity of our  
Goods, or the Quality of our life -  
In 1976 we shall celebrate 200 years of  
our adventure in freedom - ~~can~~  
~~the future~~

THERE MUST BE A RESTORATION OF HOPE IN  
AMERICA IN THE COMING DECADE: A STRONG AND  
STABLE ECONOMY; A POLITICAL SYSTEM THAT  
CAN BE TRUSTED; AN END TO POVERTY IN THE  
MIDST OF AFFLUENCE; A SOCIETY WHERE THE  
DIGNITY OF EVERY MAN, NO MATTER WHAT HIS *creed,*  
COLOR OR INCOME LEVEL, IS RESPECTED! *THIS*  
CALLS FOR VISION THAT SEES A HORIZON BEYOND  
THE HILLS OF PRUDENCE AND SELF-INTEREST. *AND*  
IT WILL DEMAND HARD WORK AND A GENUINE  
COMMITMENT FROM EACH ONE OF US. ~~*Freedom is*~~  
~~*not free, and opportunity.*~~

VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA

CERTAINLY THAT COMMITMENT TO SERVICE  
IS REFLECTED IN THE OUTSTANDING RECORD OF  
THE VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA OVER THE PAST  
75 YEARS. ( THIS GREAT SOCIAL WELFARE MOVEMENT  
DEDICATED TO RELIEVE DISTRESS AND  
SUFFERING WHEREVER FOUND FOR THOSE OF ALL  
RACES, COLORS, AND CREEDS, RIGHTLY MERITS  
THE HONOR NOW BEING BESTOWED ON THE  
OCCASION OF ITS DIAMOND JUBILEE.

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JUST TO INDICATE THE SCOPE OF  
HUMANITARIAN SERVICE RENDERED BY THIS  
NATION-WIDE ORGANIZATION, I WOULD DRAW YOUR  
ATTENTION TO TWO VITAL SERVICES RENDERED *in my*  
*own State (Mpls)*  
~~IN MINNEAPOLIS~~, MINNESOTA, THERE YOU WILL  
FIND UNDER CONSTRUCTION A 208-UNIT HOUSING  
COMPLEX FOR THE ELDERLY, *✓* COSTING \$3.5 MILLION,  
LORING TOWERS IS AN EXCELLENT EXAMPLE OF THE  
PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP TO HELP  
THOSE IN NEED, OF WHICH I HAVE BEEN  
SPEAKING. *✓* NOT FAR AWAY IS FRIENDSHIP HOUSE,  
SERVING SOME 60 CHILDREN EACH MONTH REFERRED  
BY THE COUNTY WELFARE DEPARTMENT.

*2'd - Boy's Ranch -  
- Bar none - and/or  
- Milac's Lake -*



HERE IS DEMONSTRATED THE RECOGNITION BY  
PRIVATE ENTERPRISE OF A VITAL SOCIAL  
RESPONSIBILITY, FOR THIS \$200,000 BUILDING  
WAS DONATED TO THE VOLUNTEERS BY THE  
INTERNATIONAL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH  
CORPORATION AS THE FIRST MAJOR GIFT IN  
HONOR OF THE V.O.A.'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY.

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MINNEAPOLIS  
AND MINNESOTA, I SAY TO THE VOLUNTEERS OF  
AMERICA, "THANK YOU FOR GIVING HOPE AND

KINDNESS *to the less fortunate"* (Wayne feed

and Volunteers of America working  
in Partnership with Heritage  
Nursing Homes for the elderly. Here is  
a voluntary non-Profit organization  
working as a partner with a  
Free enterprise Profit making Corp

to provide humane and compassionate  
service.

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AND MAY I ADD A PERSONAL WORD OF DEEP

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ADMIRATION FOR YOUR CONCRETE RECOGNITION

OF THE DIGNITY OF EVERY MAN THROUGH ALL THESE

TUMULTUOUS YEARS OF OUR NATION'S HISTORY..

**L** IN ~~THE~~ STRENGTHENING THE MORAL FIBER OF

AMERICA, YOU HAVE ESTABLISHED FOUNDATIONS

OF HOPE AND PROMISE IN THE TOMORROW OF THIS

GREAT LAND.

and there is a better tomorrow  
if we pledge ourselves to its  
fulfillment.

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MURRAY HILL 7-1150

April 1, 1971

Mrs. Ursula Culver  
Office of Senator Hubert H. Humphrey  
Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. Culver:

Enclosed is a tape copy of  
the Senator's broadcasts during his  
visit to New York for the Volunteers  
of America anniversary observance.

I thought you might like it  
for your files.

Thank you for all your help.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "A. A. Schechter". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

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FOR A. A. SCHECHTER ASSOCIATES

PROGRAM NEWS STATION WOR

DATE MARCH 8, 1971 8:00 PM CITY NEW YORK

REPORT ON HUMPHREY AT VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA

JOHN SCOTT: Former Vice President Hubert Humphrey is in New York tonight addressing the 75th Anniversary Dinner of the Volunteers of America. The Minnesota Senator talked with newsmen before the dinner, and WOR's Lester Smith asked him if he agrees with the Nixon administration's assessment of success in the South Vietnamese invasion of Laos.

HUBERT HUMPHREY: I think it's really too early. I think the administration is prone to see the rosy side of the picture. This is not unusual. I was in an administration that did the same thing. And if I can say, I may be a little scarred and a little bruised from it, I used to hear the same reports -- that if we just put a few more troops in -- if we'd just go up to Pla Cou, if we'd just bomb Hanoi, if we'd just come closer to Hai Phon(?), if we'd just do this and do that, if we'd just put more force, more bombs, more bombers, Mr. President, I can assure you the word would come this war will be shortened.

Now, I don't want to get into an argument about credibility. I believe the men that said this really believed it. The fact is it didn't shorten the war, and I think there's only one way to shorten the war, and that's to make up your mind that you'll fulfill any obligation you ever had and proceed to let the government of South Vietnam defend itself with American help, yes. Not troops. Maybe we'll have to give them economic assistance. I think that we've been there so long that the destruction is so great that it will require some assistance. But troops must be - must come out. We must get on with the business here at home.

FOR A. A. SCHECHTER ASSOCIATES

PROGRAM NEWSRADIO 88

STATION WCBS

DATE MARCH 8, 1971

8:20 PM

CITY NEW YORK

HUMPHREY SPEAKS AT VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA

GEORGE REDDING: Senator Hubert Humphrey had some advice for Governor Rockefeller tonight. Humphrey a past and possibly present hopeful for the Presidency spoke to newsmen prior to addressing the Volunteers of America banquet here in Manhattan. WCBS Newsman Bill Fayen reports.

BILL FAYEN: Senator Humphrey told those gathered for the banquet that the greatest need in America is for the establishment of firm partnership of public and private resources in meeting the critical social welfare needs of our people. At a news conference prior to the banquet, the former Vice President and Presidential contender stressed his belief that the federal government should eventually take over all welfare responsibilities, but emphasized such a move should be phased and would take time.

Then his reaction to Governor Rockefeller's announcement that he might again seek the Presidency, if President Nixon chooses not to run in 1972.

HUBERT HUMPHREY: I say that Governor Rockefeller is a friend of mine and I think well of him, and he always makes good interesting news and interesting copy, but as a good friend, and I am his friend, I think this, that he ought to keep in mind that '72 is a bad year for Republicans. It'd be much more -- I think much more to the advantage of any of my good Republican friends to kind of wait it out. Because in '72, unless things change drastically, there's going to be a Democrat in the White House.

FAYEN: Senator Hubert Humphrey. He would not speculate as to who that Democrat might be, but when asked whether it might be a John Lindsay, who turned his back on the Republican Party, Humphrey replied, "I doubt it."

REDDING: That was Newsman Bill Fayen. Incidentally, Senator Humphrey refused to predict the winner in the Mohammed Ali-Joe Frazier fight tonight, but said, "Ali is as quick as a cat." The former Vice President said, "I greatly admire Ali," but he added, "Joe Frazier is my friend, and I usually stand with my friends." That's about all he would say.

FOR A. A. SCHECHTER ASSOCIATES

PROGRAM NEWSRADIO 88

STATION WCBS

DATE MARCH 9, 1971

8:18 AM

CITY NEW YORK

REPORT ON HUMPHREY'S SPEECH

LOU ADLER: Senator Hubert Humphrey was in New York City last night to address a meeting of the Volunteers of America at the Waldorf Astoria. The former Vice President told his audience that the greatest need in America is for a merger of public and private resources to meet social welfare needs.

At a news conference, Humphrey made it clear that he favored the government takeover of all welfare responsibilities, but at the same time, he emphasized such a move should be gradual. Humphrey was also asked about Governor Rockefeller's announcement that he might again try for the Presidency, if President Nixon does not seek re-election next year.

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ADLER: Senator Hubert Humphrey.



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