

REMARKS OF THE HONORABLE HUBERT H. HUMPHREY

DEDICATION OF MINNETONKA CITY HALL

SATURDAY, JUNE 19, 1971

3:00 P.M.

THIS IS AN EXCITING DAY. THE DEDICATION OF THIS
NEW CITY HALL IS EVIDENCE OF PROGRESS AND GROWTH IN OUR
STATE.

YOUR FIRST TOWN HALL WAS DEDICATED IN 1906. SINCE
THEN MINNETONKA HAS GROWN TO A POPULATION OF MORE THAN 35,000.

I AM PROUD OF THE PEOPLE OF MINNETONKA.

AT A TIME WHEN THERE ARE GRAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT LOCAL
GOVERNMENT AND ITS PROGRESS, I AM PROUD OF THE SUPPORT YOU GIVE
YOUR OFFICIALS.

YOU HAVE VOTED TO BUILD A NEW CITY HALL. IT WILL
SERVE YOU WELL.

THERE WILL BE MUCH MORE PROGRESS IN THE YEARS TO
COME--GREATER EXPANSION AND DEDICATION TO SOLVING THE PROBLEMS
THAT COME WITH GROWTH.

IT IS THE PROBLEMS OF GROWTH THAT WE ARE ADDRESSING
OURSELVES TO IN CONGRESS.

DID YOU KNOW THERE WILL BE 100 MILLION MORE PEOPLE
IN THIS COUNTRY BY THE YEAR 2,000?

PART OF THIS POPULATION EXPLOSION WILL BE FELT BY
MINNESOTA COMMUNITIES.

HOW DO WE DEAL WITH THIS EXPANSION?

I'LL TELL YOU HOW --

WE BEGIN BLANNING FOR THE FUTURE -- LIKE YOU DID A
FEW YEARS AGO IN PREPARING TO BUILD THIS FINE CITY HALL.

WE NEED TO CONCERN OURSELVES WITH NEW AND IMPROVED
SEWAGE SYSTEMS, MASS TRANSIT SYSTEMS TO GET PEOPLE TO AND FROM
WORK AND NEW JOBS.

WE HAVE A CRITICAL UNEMPLOYMENT PROBLEM -- MORE
THAN 5 MILLION PEOPLE OUT OF WORK.

WE LACK ADEQUATE HEALTH CARE FACILITIES.

WE NEED MORE DOCTORS AND NURSES/.

OUR CITIES ARE IN DISREPAIR.

MANY OF OUR LAKES ARE POLLUTED AND MUCH OF THE AIR
WE BREATHE,

WE NEED TO GOTTO WORK ON THESE PROBLEMS NOW, HERE
AND IN CONGRESS.

I LOOK FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN FOCUSING ATTENTION ON
THE NEEDS OF OUR COUNTRY.

YOU ARE NOT JUST A CITIZEN OF MINNETONKA OR MINNESOTA.
YOU ARE A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES.

WE MUST MAKE SURE THAT THERE IS A BASIC MINIMUM
FLOOR OF PUBLIC SERVICES FOR ALL AMERICANS, REGARDLESS OF
WHERE THEY LIVE.

I HOPE WE CAN WORK TOGETHER TO ACHIEVE THAT GOAL.

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