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REMARKS

SENATOR HUBERT H. HUMPHREY

VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA —

NEW YORK, N. Y.

+ friends.

MARCH 8, 1971

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President of Congress

President

AMERICA: THE VOLUNTEER SPIRIT

Hebert
Dr Hebert

Rev clergy

Genl Mc Mahon

Dewitt & Lila Wallace (Honored Guest)

my main friends

Col Robert Nally
Col Miriam Mill

Ballington
&
maud
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 ^{Corporate} ~~BUSINESSES AND INSURANCE~~
~~COMPANIES~~ OVER THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS IN
~~ADDRESSING~~ ^{Attacking} THE CAUSES OF POVERTY AND TENSION
 PRODUCING THE CRISIS OF OUR CITIES, IS A
 CASE IN POINT. ⁽ WITHOUT 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~~
^{will} ~~ULTIMATELY~~ FAIL TO ^{provide} ~~FUNCTION IN PROVIDING~~
 CRITICALLY NEEDED PUBLIC SERVICES, ~~AND IN~~
~~SECURING THE SECURITY OF SOCIETY.~~

NAB
 - JOBS
 - ^{financial} ~~financial~~
 - ^{training} ~~training~~
 - ^{Plans for} ~~Plans for~~
 Progress

~~IT~~ **↓** 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.

↳ 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~~
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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. ~~*Fredmanis*~~
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 - another
- Milacs 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. - 9 -

AND MAY I ADD A PERSONAL WORD OF DEEP
ADMIRATION FOR YOUR CONCRETE RECOGNITION
OF THE DIGNITY OF EVERY MAN THROUGH ALL THESE
TUMULTUOUS YEARS OF OUR NATION'S HISTORY..

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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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 cursive script, appearing to read "A. A. Schechter". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed word "Sincerely,".

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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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