

① Jerry Joe Walcott

① Lou Katz

① Jim Dugan - State Chm

REMARKS BY SENATOR HUBERT H. HUMPHREY

CAMDEN COUNTY ANNUAL VICTORY DINNER

CAMDEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

MAY 20, 1976

Bill Simon
Ch. Bd. of
Freeholders

I like Jerry
all kinds
of people!

~~John ...~~

Mayor Angello Errichetti
Mayor Wills (Airakatti)

Jim Joyce - county chm

① Pete Williams ¹⁹⁵³ + Vote for him
twice

to you in assembly
① Jim Florio - 1st DIST
(Interstate + Commers - select comm
on Aging)

- Joe Sandone (former
Freeholder)

① Kathy Costa - 6th DIST

ACCORDING TO BOB STRAUSS AND BENNETT JOHNSTON,
OUR PARTY NEEDED SOMEONE THIS EVENING WHO COULD
DISCUSS ALL OF THE MAJOR ISSUES, SUMMARIZE OUR
PLATFORM, OUTLINE THE PRINCIPAL ECONOMIC PROBLEMS
WHICH WE FACE, AND ANALYZE OUR STRATEGY FOR VICTORY
IN 1976--ALL IN TEN MINUTES, NATURALLY, THEY
ASKED: "WHERE'S HUBERT?"

WELL, HERE I AM. READY TO BEAT THE CLOCK.

IN JUST EIGHT MONTHS, A DEMOCRAT WILL STAND
ON THE STEPS OF THE CAPITOL TO ASSUME THE LEADERSHIP
OF OUR NATION.

ONCE AGAIN, THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WILL HAVE A
FRIEND IN THE WHITE HOUSE AND MAJORITY GOVERNMENT
WILL HAVE BEEN RESTORED.

THIS PREDICTION IS NOT JUST A HOPE OR A
DREAM.

I KNOW THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

I HAVE CONFIDENCE IN THEIR JUDGMENT.

I HAVE FAITH IN THEIR BASIC COMMON SENSE AND
DECENCY.

I KNOW THAT WHEN THE PEOPLE HAVE TO MAKE A
CHOICE BETWEEN THE POLITICS OF COMPASSION AND THE
POLITICS OF INDIFFERENCE, THEY WILL MAKE THE RIGHT
CHOICE.

THIS YEAR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE FILLED WITH
THE BICENTENNIAL SPIRIT.

IN 1776, THE PEOPLE PROCLAIMED THEIR INDEPENDENCE
AND THREW OUT THE BRITISH TORIES.

IN 1976, WE WILL ONCE AGAIN AFFIRM OUR
INDEPENDENCE AND KICK OUT THE REPUBLICAN TORIES.

SEVEN SAD YEARS OF THE NIXON-FORD ADMINISTRATION
HAVE CLEARLY DEMONSTRATED THAT REPUBLICANS ARE
INCAPABLE OF RUNNING THE COUNTRY IN THE INTEREST
OF ALL THE PEOPLE.

OUR DUTY AS PATRIOTIC AMERICANS AND AS DEMOCRATS
IS TO SEE TO IT THAT ALL REPUBLICANS ARE REQUIRED
TO RUN ON AND NOT AWAY FROM THEIR RECORD.

WE ARE NOT GOING TO LET REPUBLICANS COVER-UP
THE FACT THAT 57 MILLION AMERICANS WERE THROWN OUT
OF WORK AND ONTO THE STREETS BY TWO RECESSIONS
AND HERBERT HOOVER ECONOMICS.

WE ARE NOT GOING TO LET REPUBLICANS RUN AWAY
FROM AMERICA'S WORKING FAMILIES WHO HAVE SEEN THEIR
ENTIRE INCOME GAIN OF THE 1960'S WIPED OUT BY THE
POLICIES OF THE WALL STREET BOYS THAT OCCUPY THE
WHITE HOUSE CORRIDORS.

REPUBLICANS CAN'T RUN AWAY FROM NINETY-ONE
VETOES WHICH SAY NO! NO! NO! TO THE HOPES AND
ASPIRATIONS OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

and the Republicans cannot hide the fact that ~~they do not~~ they have occupied the ⁵ White House for 16 out of the last 24 years.

~~AND~~ THE REPUBLICANS CANNOT RUN AWAY FROM THEIR

PROMISE MADE IN THE HEATED DAYS OF 1968 THAT THEY

^{could} WILL BRING LAW AND ORDER TO THE REPUBLIC. WE WILL

NEVER LET THEM FORGET THIS PROMISE BECAUSE THEY

BROUGHT LAWLESSNESS TO THE SACRED PRECINCTS OF THE

NATION'S HIGHEST OFFICE AND PERMITTED CRIME IN THE

STREETS TO REACH UNPRECEDENTED LEVELS.

THE ELECTION OF 1976 WILL MARK ONE OF THOSE
HISTORIC MOMENTS IN THE HISTORY OF AMERICAN POLITICS
WHEN THE PEOPLE DEMAND AN ACCOUNTING AND SAY, "ENOUGH."

ENOUGH OF THOSE WHO CLAIM ECONOMIC MIRACLES
AFTER BRINGING US TO THE PRECIPICE OF ECONOMIC
RUIN.

ENOUGH OF THOSE WHO ESPOUSE THE WORK ETHIC AND
EXPAND THE WELFARE ROLLS.

ENOUGH OF THOSE WHO RENOUNCE DEFICITS AND THEN
CAUSE THEM TO GROW EVEN LARGER.

ENOUGH OF THOSE WHO WORSHIP AT THE SHRINE OF
FREE ENTERPRISE AND LET MONOPOLIES FLOURISH.

I SAY ENOUGH OF REPUBLICANS.

ENOUGH OF THOSE WHO WANT TO COVER-UP A RECORD
OF DOUBT, DEFEAT AND DESPAIR.

WE ARE A PARTY UNITED IN PURPOSE, STRIVING
TOWARDS THE DEFEAT OF THOSE WHO DENY AMERICA ITS
VERY GREATNESS.

BUT THE PEOPLE HAVE A RIGHT TO ASK: WHAT DO
WE STAND FOR?

WHAT DO WE BELIEVE IN AS A PARTY?

WHAT DO WE WANT FOR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE?

IF WE BELIEVE IN WORK AND A PRODUCTIVE AMERICA,
OUR GOVERNMENT MUST BE COMMITTED TO FULL EMPLOYMENT
THAT ASSURES DECENT JOBS AT DECENT WAGES.

IF WE BELIEVE IN THE RIGHT OF EVERY AMERICAN TO
A FULL LIFE, THEN WE NEED A NATIONAL HEALTH CARE
SYSTEM THAT PROVIDES QUALITY HEALTH CARE TO ALL.

IF WE BELIEVE IN OUR CITIES, WE MUST HAVE A
HOUSING PROGRAM THAT REPLACES SLUMS WITH DECENT
HOMES AND WE MUST MAKE HOME OWNERSHIP A REALITY FOR
WORKING PEOPLE ONCE AGAIN.

IF WE BELIEVE IN ENDING RACISM AND PREJUDICE,
THEN WE MUST SEE THAT EQUAL OPPORTUNITY REACHES INTO
EVERY ASPECT OF AMERICAN LIFE.

AND IF WE BELIEVE IN LEADERSHIP, WE MUST OFFER
THE PEOPLE MEN AND WOMEN WHO BELIEVE THAT ONLY
GOVERNMENT GUIDED BY A SENSE OF VISION AND FAIRNESS
IS WORTHY OF OUR NATION.

THESE ARE SOME OF OUR GOALS.

OUR HOPES FOR VICTORY IN NOVEMBER CAN BE
REALIZED IF WE WORK TOGETHER IN THE DAYS AHEAD.

UNITY WILL BRING US MORE THAN VICTORY.

IT WILL BRING US OPPORTUNITY. OPPORTUNITY TO
GOVERN A NATION WITH COMPASSION AND JUSTICE.
OPPORTUNITY TO GET THIS NATION MOVING ONCE AGAIN IN
THE SPIRIT OF ROOSEVELT, TRUMAN, KENNEDY AND
JOHNSON.

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