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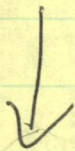
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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: GOP DINNER
MIAMI, FLORIDA
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 1992

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((First, a confession. My one disappointment here is that I won't get a chance on this visit to drop by "Esquina de Tejas." [Es KEE nah dey TEH hass] I have to admit that eating at that wonderful Cuban restaurant is my Miami Vice.)) //

It's a pleasure to be here tonight. We've much to do these next few months -- because we've much to do these next few years.
// Together, we can finish what we've started and move our country forward. / To do that, I need your support. Help me win the Presidency for four more years. //

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Behind all of this is an idea vital to America: To succeed economically at home, we have to lead economically abroad. / Some don't want us to lead -- they think we should just shut out the rest of the world. They're dead wrong. / More than 200,000 workers in Florida owe their jobs to manufactured exports. Last year alone more than \$13 billion in trade came through the Miami Customs District. // You know that the way to create jobs is not to cut and run -- but to open markets for our exports everywhere

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I believe the American people want to hear about how we're going to address our country's challenges. They want to hear solutions, not just a lot of running this country down. //

Solutions that will keep inflation low / our confidence high / and protect the savings of our elderly. / Solutions that will win the war on drugs -- and we are winning: Witness the massive seizure of drugs in South Florida over the past several months.

Yes, we have much to do. But I guarantee you we'll get the job done. Not through Washington's phony-balonies. But through everyday Americans who work and save and teach and pray. /

People who know that America is number one -- and will work to keep it that way. //

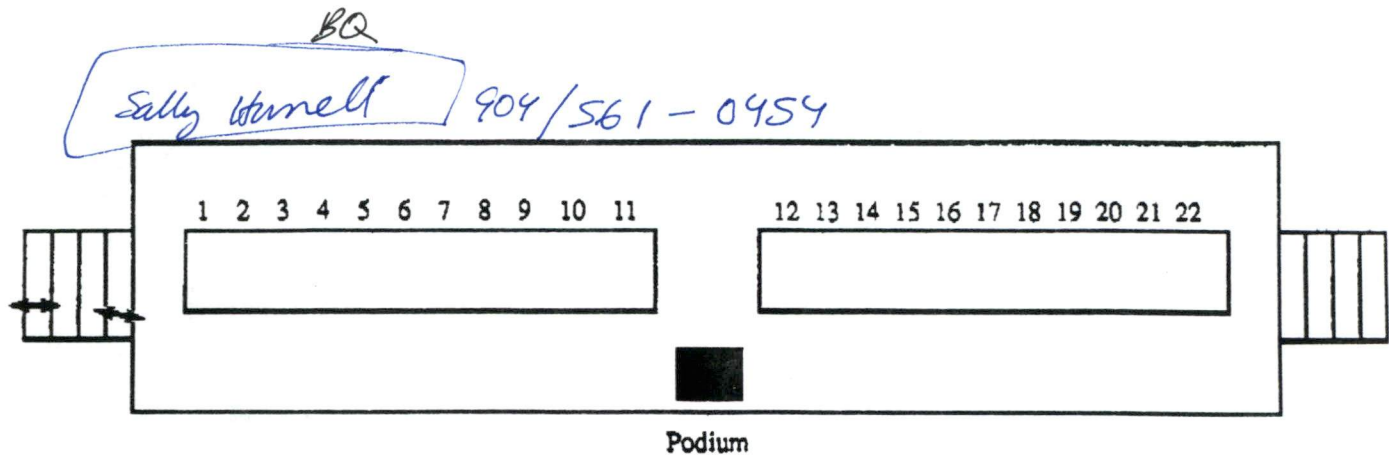
I'm going to fight hard in the Florida Primary for these people -- fight for what is right, and good. / I saw in the eight years my friend Ronald Reagan led America how leadership matters. / Last year, we saw America stand tall again in the Persian Gulf. / I believe the next five years are just too important to entrust to the inexperienced. / So I ask for your help to keep our party strong and united so we can win this fall.

Yes, we have many challenges before us. And I guarantee you, we will meet them -- each and every one of them -- meet them from the great Panhandle to the tip of the Florida Keys.

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we will win it. I want to be your president for another four
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[[ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS]]. __, thank you for that introduction.

((I've just come from the Strawberry Festival in Plant City. /
For my part, I'm just glad it wasn't a broccoli festival.)) //

((I want you to know: I made my own strawberry shortcake
at the festival. I was able to enjoy it right away. / Once I
completed it, it didn't have to be approved by Congress.)) //

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I believe in the things which have led us to a new era in America's history. Things like liberty / freedom / human dignity / self-respect. / My friends, the Cold War is over -- and America won. // The Soviet Union collapsed -- and Imperial Communism is finished. // American leadership changed the world. Republican leadership can change America. //

We can change it by making right what is simply on the wrong track of our country. Take our courts, for example. //

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When kids can't say a voluntary prayer in school -- or when fathers stop coaching Little League because they're afraid of liability lawsuits -- that, too, is wrong. //

Or when doctors stop delivering babies because they fear a malpractice lawsuit -- or when people stop volunteering to help each other because they fear ambulance-chasing lawyers. / This is not the America we want. //

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The American people want this economy to work. So in my State of the Union Address, I put forth a two-part plan. The first part gets business growing again right now -- upgrading plant and equipment again -- hiring workers again. / It uses incentives like an investment tax allowance. / It calls for Congress to wake up and understand how the real world works, and cut the tax on capital gains. //

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Here's what the Democrats won't tell you: Their plan adds more than \$30 billion to the deficit, and the jobs it creates are more likely to be for more tax collectors. The last thing our economy needs now is a tax increase by that Democratic Congress.

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years I have stood with Republican leaders against a Congress that would undermine the values we fought for in the Gulf. Twenty-five times these values were upheld -- vetoes of bad legislation sustained. / And the next five years for America are just too important to entrust to the inexperienced. //

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You know that the way to create jobs is not to cut and run -- but to open markets for our exports everywhere in the world. I am going to fight hard in every foreign market to do just that. //

Florida's manufactured exports
create over 200,000 jobs.

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I believe the American people want to hear about how we're going to address our country's challenges. They want to hear solutions, not just a lot of running this country down. // Solutions that will keep inflation low / our confidence high / and protect the savings of our elderly. / Solutions that will win the war on drugs -- and we are winning: Witness the massive seizure of drugs in South Florida over the past several months.

Yes, we have much to do. But I guarantee you we'll get the job done. Not through Washington's phony-balonies. But through everyday Americans who work and save and teach and pray. / People who know that America is number one -- and will work to keep it that way. //

I'm going to fight hard in the Florida Primary for these people -- fight for what is right, and good. / I saw in the eight years my friend Ronald Reagan led America how leadership matters. / Last year, we saw America stand tall again in the Persian Gulf. / I believe the next five years are just too important to entrust to the inexperienced. / So I ask for your help to keep our party strong and united so we can win this fall.

Yes, we have many challenges before us. And I guarantee you, we will meet them -- each and every one of them -- meet them from the great Panhandle to the tip of the Florida Keys.

Yes, there's an election in November -- and I guarantee you, we will win it. I want to be your president for another four years. Thank you and God bless the United States of America.

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THE PRESIDENT VIEWS CUBA AND CASTRO

A challenge to hold free elections

By GEORGE BUSH

MY ADMINISTRATION'S objectives and the American people's hopes for Cuba can be stated simply: We want freedom and prosperity for the Cuban people and an end to Fidel Castro's totalitarian regime. There will be no normal relations with Cuba so long as the Castro dictatorship remains in place. We want to see a democratically elected Cuban govern-

President Bush wrote this article for The Herald.

ment that would legitimately represent the Cuban people. My administration is determined to keep the pressure on Castro and to keep the Cuban people's hope for democracy alive.

Let me explain what I mean by a democratic Cuban government. We want Cuba to have fully free and fair elections, to accept international observers, to permit a free press, to allow opposition parties ample time and opportunity to organize and campaign, and to release all political prisoners. We've said in the past that if Castro would hold free and fair national elections, commit constitutionally to regular elections in the future, and respect his countrymen's basic civil liberties and human rights, our relations with Cuba would improve.

I challenge Cuba to hold free elections, but Castro will not allow them because he knows that he would not win. Instead of embarking on the path of democracy like the republics of the former Soviet Union, the East European countries, and countries throughout this hemisphere, Castro has undertaken a brutal campaign of intimidation and violence to eliminate any and all peaceful dissent in order to keep his illegitimate regime in power.

We have seen the collapse of communism in Europe, where the United States has played a positive role. United States policy in Eastern Europe was predicated on the fact that the Poles, the Czechs, the Germans, and the other peoples in the region wanted to live in freedom. The Cubans are no different.

At the time, hurried voices were raised daring me to make political capital of the deteriorating situation in those countries and the growing tensions between the people of Eastern Europe and their dictators. It was a situation



fraught with danger, but we were able to stay the course, avoid bloodshed, and today Eastern Europe is free. Cuba also will be free.

It was the German people who brought about Honecker's fall from power. It was the Romanian people who brought about Ceausescu's fall from power. It was the Czech people who brought about Husak's fall from power, and so it has been with every other tyrant of our time. As so it will be with Cuba.

Castro's fear of dissent and criticism, and the weakness of his government, becomes clearer with every passing day

as his regime's violations of human dignity mount. I know that you are aware of recent abuses as I am, but they bear repeating because they involve real people willing to stand up and say "no mas" to this dictator.

● Back in September, Castro's "Special Action Brigades" — groups of thugs and Cuban agents — brutally beat several members of the pacifist movement Solidarity and Peace. Two of its leaders, Daniel and Tomas Azpillaga, were sentenced to two years in prison for holding a peaceful demonstration in front of Villa Marista, Castro's dreaded security police headquarters.

● In November, Castro sent his Special Action Brigades to the house of well-known Cuban poet Maria Elena Cruz, where she was brutally beaten along with six other activists. She was taken to jail, where she remains.

● On Jan. 6, the home of Cuban activist Angela Herrera was assaulted by Castro's thugs while members of the Cuban Democratic coalition were holding a telephone conversation with a Miami radio station. All present were arrested and threatened with 30-year prison terms if they were caught again. Two of them, Adrian Gonzalez Marichal and Pedro Armenteros, remain detained in Villa Marista.

● Regime critic and human rights advocate Sebastian Arcos has been in jail for weeks without charge because he dared to call for peaceful change.

For all the reasons I've cited, we have absolutely no intention of agreeing to a normal relationship with a government that denies its people universally accepted civil and human rights, economic opportunity, and freedom of choice on matters that affect their own future. Let me also comment on recent published reports that the United States is cooperating with the Cuban government on anti-Castro activities. Those stories simply are not true.

What we're going to do

Now let me tell you what we are doing on behalf of the Cuban people. First of all, we're doing everything we can to keep the Cuban people's hopes and spirits alive by trying to get a free flow of information into Cuba. We remain firmly committed to providing the Cuban people impartial, unbiased news through Radio and TV Marti broadcasts. We will continue to aggressively pursue every opportunity to bring the Cuban people the Marti message.

We're working hard in Geneva right now for the strongest possible condemnation of Castro's human rights abuses by the United Nations Human Rights Commission. We anticipate that the commission will call Cuba to account for its gross violations even more strongly than it did last year. We're asking the commission to again name a special envoy to review the human rights situation in Cuba even though, like last year, we know that Castro is afraid to permit a U.N. envoy to travel to Cuba to do his work there.

We intend to keep squeezing Castro

The day of the dictator is over, and I am convinced that Castro's days are numbered. When he goes, and the Castro dictatorship must go, the United States will be prepared to provide a full range of assistance needed to help the Cuban people.

hard on the economic front. We implemented a number of measures to toughen up the embargo several months ago to further restrict Castro's ability to earn hard currency. For example, we have stopped Castro from charging outrageous fees for Cuban citizens to travel to the United States. We have asked our friends and democratic allies not to replace past Soviet aid to Cuba by providing economic assistance or preferential trade agreements; to do so will only allow Castro to prolong his illegitimate regime and continue to only deny human rights and democracy to the long-suffering Cuban people. We have been getting good responses.

The day of the dictator is over, and I am convinced that Castro's days are numbered. When he goes — and as far as I am concerned, for Cuba to be free, for Cuba to be prosperous, the Castro dictatorship must go — then the United States, with the cooperation of our private sector, which is ready, willing, and eager to help, will be prepared to provide a full range of assistance needed to help the Cuban people rebuild their economy, which has been devastated by the Castro regime, and to help them restore their democratic traditions.

Our desire is for freedom for Cuba, and we want the process to be peaceful, orderly, and without the spilling of blood. At the same time, faithful to our tradition of supporting the fight for freedom throughout the world, we intend to do everything we can within the confines of existing U.S. law to support all those who are striving to achieve Cuba's liberation.

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[[ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS]]. ((When I found out what Jeb was going to say, I told him it was one of the nicest introductions I've received in quite awhile. He said, "Dad, it's all relative."))

((I'm always reluctant to begin a speech when the audience still has food on its plates that it can throw -- but I'll take a chance.)) //

((First, a confession. My one disappointment here is that I won't get a chance on this visit to drop by "Esquina de Tejas." [Es KEE nah dey TEH hass] I have to admit that eating at that wonderful Cuban restaurant is my Miami Vice.)) //

My pleasure is being here tonight. We've much to do these next few months -- because we've much to do these next few years.
// Together, we can finish what we've started and move our country forward. / To do that, I need your support. Help me win the Presidency for four more years. //

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We know that taxes are too high -- because our government is too big and it costs too much. / We believe in a strong defense. We believe in faith and family -- responsibility and respect -- community and country. / We know that we put America first when we put America's families first. //

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I believe in the things which have led us to a new era in America's history. My friends, the Cold War is over -- and America won. // The Soviet Union collapsed -- and Imperial Communism is finished. //

Next comes an island not far from here. Last week marked a special birthday: The battle of Grito de Baire [BYE rey] in Cuba's war of independence. / We support independence. We want -- and I'm confident will see -- freedom and prosperity for the Cuban people and an end to Fidel Castro's totalitarian regime. //

Castro has become the "Maytag Repairman" of Communist dictators -- he's very lonely. // He is not a leader -- he's a warden. His beaches are not borders -- they're walls. / For years, the Cuban community has energized Miami. Someday freedom-loving people will change your homeland -- just like America has changed the world. Tonight, I want to talk about how Republican leadership can change America. //

We can change it by making right what is simply on the wrong track of our country. Take our courts, for example. //

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((203 years ago on this very date the United States Congress met for the first time. Wonder what they would think today about the House Democrats' so-called "plan.")) Here's the Democrat deal: 25 cents a day in temporary tax relief for two years -- paid for -- typical of them -- by a large permanent tax increase. / Over in the Senate, the Democrats are in a bidding war -- but to pay for that they'd hike tax rates for the middle class -- people making \$35,000 a year -- people like teachers, factory workers, and everyday Floridians. /

We drew a line in the Sand in the Persian Gulf and kept our word. I'll draw another line in the sand right now. If the Democrats send me this nonsense they're talking about, I'll send it right back. I will veto it the minute it hits my desk. // Instead of their phony maneuvers, Congress ought to pass my plan to make America more competitive. Here's the deadline: March 20, the first day of spring. / Here's the challenge: Give American workers a spring break. / No more games / no more empty gestures / just pass my plan and get this economy moving. /

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February 22, 1992

MEMORANDUM RE: MIAMI BUSH-QUAYLE FUNDRAISER

FROM: CAROL AARHUS

SUBJECT: PRE-ADVANCE NOTES

This fundraiser will take place at the Radisson Mart Plaza Hotel in Miami on Wednesday, March 4. It's a typical two-tiered event, with the President making remarks at 7:50 p.m., after dinner. The new Advance policy is that the last course of the meal is not cleared before the President speaks, so if the speech is boring, the people will play with whatever is left on their plate. This is a challenge to make the speech more entertaining than usual.

Jeb will probably introduce the President. They are expecting just over 1000 attendees. I've ordered a teleprompter. This is kind of an insignificant event, new-wise. POTUS will attend a down-home strawberry festival in Tampa earlier in the day, and that will probably be the big story. This takes place after the press has filed their main stories for the day -- I doubt this will get much coverage.

Call Jeb -- he is the best person to talk to us about Florida politics. You can reach him through the WH Operator. I told his assistant that someone would call him Monday re: this event. I've attached the call sheet.

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary
(Miami, Florida)

For Immediate Release

March 4, 1992

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
AT BUSH-QUAYLE '92 FUNDRAISING DINNER

The Radisson Mart Plaza Hotel
Miami, Florida

8:30 P.M. EST

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you all. Please be seated. And Zach, Dr. Zachariah, thank you, sir, for that wonderful introduction, for all you do; and I am very, very grateful to you. I want to thank Father Murphy for his thoughtful invocation. The National Finance Chairman -- you met Bobby Holt -- but the National Finance Co-Chairman, my old friend Alec Courtelis and another good longtime Jack Laughery. To our campaign manager in Florida, no nepotism involved, I just chose the best, Jeb Bush. (Laughter and applause.)

And may I salute one who gives us so much support -- gives me so much support in Washington, Congresswoman Ileana Ross-Lehtinen. Where is she? Right here. (Applause.) And State Senator Lincoln Diaz-Balart who we just met over here. Thank you, sir. (Applause.) And Van Poole, our State Chairman. Where's Van? He's right down here somewhere at the end. (Applause.) I salute him. And, of course, our Dade County Chairman, our masterful Master of Ceremonies, Armando Codina. Thank you, Armando. (Applause.)

It is a pleasure to be here tonight. And we have much to do these next few months, because we've much to do in these next few years. Together, we can finish what we've started and we can move this country forward. And to do that, I need your support. And help me win the presidency for four more years. (Applause.)

I ask your support for the simplest reason: We believe in the same things -- jobs, family, peace -- the fundamentally important things. And, Zach, thank you for your very kind words about my grasp of and leadership in the field of foreign affairs.

We know that taxes are too high in this country, because the government is too big and it spends too much. (Applause.) And we believe in a strong defense. We believe in family and faith -- responsibility and respect -- community and country. And we know that we put America first when we put America's families first.

The National League of Cities' mayors came to me and they said the major problem in the cities is the dissolution, the diminution of the American family, and we've got to do something about that.

So often today's politicians do the easy thing -- the popular thing. But it's the tough decisions that tell you something important about character and principle. For I believe in things that don't change from one election to the next. Things that guide each one of us every single day of the year.

During my Presidency I've been blessed to take part in a new era in America's history. And let's face it my friends, the Cold War is over -- and America won. (Applause.) And we are the leader of the entire world. (Applause.) And the Soviet Union collapsed, and imperial communism is dead. (Applause.)

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But look around the world. Castro has become an outcast even among the dictators. And his beaches are not borders, they're the confines of freedom. For years, the Cuban community -- and I salute Jorge Mas and so many others here tonight. (Applause.) The Cuban community has energized Miami. And someday freedom-loving people will change that island for the better -- just like America has changed the world. It's going to happen, you can bet on it. It is inevitable. (Applause.)

And now tonight, I want to talk about how Republican leadership is changing America. We're changing it by setting right what is simply on the wrong track in our country.

Take our courts, for example. There's something wrong when the rights of the criminal are more important than the rights of the victim. And I am proud of our tough stand on crime. (Applause.) Although if Congress passed my crime bill, we could be doing a lot better. We could be a lot tougher. And I'm proud of our judicial appointments -- judges who interpret and do not legislate from the Federal Bench. (Applause.)

And there are other things that are wrong. When kids can't say a voluntary prayer in school or when fathers stop coaching little league because they're afraid of liability suits, that, too, is wrong. (Applause.) And the same when people stop volunteering to help each other because they fear ambulance-chasers. This isn't the way the America we want, this isn't the way it's supposed to be, all these lawsuits out there. (Applause.)

These days a sharp lawyer would tell the Good Samaritan, keep on walking. I want to change that, so I've proposed reforms to our system to reduce the number of frivolous lawsuits.

Now, I don't want to get in trouble with the Bar Association, but I once quoted to someone that line, "An apple a day keeps the doctor away." And he said, "What works for lawyers?" (Laughter.) Legal reform will help our legal process work. But, you know, the real answer for solving problems is to be more concerned with helping each other than suing each other. (Applause.)

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And I want you to know I'd written this before I knew there were going to be 200 doctors here tonight. (Laughter.) But

since I have your attention I have an ache in my shoulder and a small headache and I'd like to know what to do about it. (Laughter.)

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There are so many issues out here. But this leads me, then, to the number one issue on the minds of all Americans: the economy -- jobs. People out of jobs are looking for jobs, people who have jobs are worried they might lose it tomorrow, worried about their jobs, providing for their families, meeting the challenges of paying the bills, buying a home, setting aside for retirement.

The American people want this economy to grow -- to create and preserve jobs. So in January, some of you may remember it in the State of the Union, I unveiled a two-part plan. The first part gets business moving again, upgrading plant and equipment, hiring workers again. It uses incentives like an investment tax allowance that speeds up the depreciation, calls for Congress to wake up and understand how jobs are created, and to cut the tax on capital gains which will create a lot of new small business jobs. (Applause.)

Housing and real estate have led us out of recessions in slow times before. So to get housing back on its feet I unveiled several common-sense proposals to get people buying and building homes. These proposals will create in Florida alone an estimated 26,500 additional housing starts and 51,000 new construction jobs. Now, perhaps the most easily understood proposal is a \$5,000 tax credit for first-time homebuyers, that young family together that needs just a little more to own their first home. (Applause.) People almost able to buy that first home could do it with that extra \$5,000 in their pocket.

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Behind all of this is an idea vital to America: To succeed economically at home, we have to lead economically abroad. Zach put his finger on the importance of America's leadership around the world. Some don't want us to lead -- they think we ought to just shut out the rest of the world. And they're dead wrong. More than 200,000 jobs in Florida stem from manufactured exports. And last year, more than \$13 billion in exports went out through the Miami Customs District.

You know that the way to create jobs is not to cut and run -- not to pull back in some isolationistic sphere of protection; rather to open markets for our exports everywhere in the world. And I am going to fight hard in every foreign market to do just that. It is exports that have saved us in these rough times, and it is exports that will lead us into the most prosperous decade that lies ahead. (Applause.) And it's working -- our overall trade imbalance is down. Look at the figures: In 1988 the trade deficit stood at \$119 billion. Today it's dropped to \$66 billion -- a 44% drop in that relatively short period of time.

Now, I believe the American people want to hear about how we're going to address all these challenges, our country's challenges. And they want to hear solutions, not just a lot of tearing this country down and telling America how bad everything is. We have an awful lot to be grateful for in this country. (Applause.) They want to hear about the solutions that will keep inflation low, get our confidence high, protect the savings of our elderly. Solutions that will win the war on drugs -- and we are making great headway. And I salute Miami's heroic efforts in this battle against narcotics. We are winning. (Applause.) Witness the massive seizure of drugs in South Florida over the past several months. Witness the fact that drug use amongst teenagers is down by 60 percent in the last couple of years.

We've got a lot to do in this country -- a lot to do. But I am absolutely confident that we will get the job done. And I'm going to fight hard in the Florida Primary for these people -- fight for what is right, and good. I saw in the eight years my friend Ronald Reagan led America how leadership matters. Last year, as Zach mentioned, we saw America stand tall again in the Persian Gulf. And I believe the next five years are just too important to entrust to the inexperienced. So I ask for your help to keep our party strong, united so that we can win this fall.

And, yes, we have many challenges before us. But when haven't we? We're America. We're on the move. We're a country of change. And I guarantee you, we will meet every single challenge -- each and every one of them -- and meet them from the great Panhandle to the tip of the Florida Keys.

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And, yes, there's an important primary next Tuesday, and then there's another election in November. And I guarantee you, I have never felt more confident about winning the primary and winning the general election. (Applause.) I've got to be a little careful; my mother's living up the coast here in Florida, so I've got to be careful. But I think I've been a good president, and I want to be your president for another four years. And I will give you my level-best and work my heart out for the greatest, freest country on the face of the Earth. Thank you, and may God bless America. Thank you all very, very much. What a great evening, and a great day in Florida. (Applause.)

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