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First Lady's Remarks to Florida Democratic Convention

It's wonderful to be here with you &
Thank you. ~~[What a pleasure]~~ to see so many old friends,
~~[and to take part in your convention]~~

Florida has been very special to us -- for your support,
for your committed and strong Democratic Party, but most of
all, for your friendship.

I am very sorry that ~~Jimmy~~
~~The President~~ must stay in Washington because of the
crisis in Iran, and I want to talk briefly about that.

Jimmy has said that
These have been ^{*the*} two ~~of the~~ most trying weeks ^{*of his presidency. Indeed, they've been 2 of the most trying weeks*} in our nation's
history. Terrorists half a world away are holding ~~[some 60]~~
American men and women hostage, supported by the ~~[Iranian]~~ host
government.

It is an outrage, totally outside the bounds of international

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These difficult days have reminded us of the basic facts & principles which are fundamental to our existence as a people.

These ideals may at times seem old-fashioned or outmoded. But we've been clearly reminded by events in China that these principles mean as much to us now as they have ever meant during any time in our history.

These fundamentals have old names to which we must continually give new meaning — names like strength, courage, patriotism, independence, the love of freedom, human rights, justice, ~~and~~ ~~for the common~~.

This is a time of trial — a time of deep concern —

but we will not compromise our fundamental principles now or ever — & we will not let our freedom & our security be jeopardized.

~~Had to be here~~
(SPACE)

It was told that ~~this afternoon~~ my
speech to you today was not supposed
to be an inspirational, thematic
type speech — but that ~~(you~~
~~have been discussing issues all day~~
if you wanted a substantive speech
about issues — & about what is
being done to meet the needs of our
the people of our co.

But — it's inspirational to hear
the accomplishments of the Carter Administration.
In the short time that I have been Pres.
he has compiled a solid record of achieve-
ment.

On issue after issue he has
provided leadership — & he has been
able, working with Congress to pass
more than 80% of all the legislation
he has ~~been able to~~ put forward & worked for.

Most of all he has talked sense
to the American people.

He has faced up to the tough
issues & set our co. on a true course
again.

purchases or shipments of Iranian oil to the United States.

We will not ^{compromise fundamental} ~~trade~~ our ~~deeply-held~~ principles for oil from any foreign country.

~~Fourth, to ensure that our claims are settled in an orderly way,~~ the President has frozen all official Iranian property and assets in this country.

~~Fifth, we told the~~ ^{Also, Iran wanted to take discussions of the issue to the} United Nations Security Council, ~~that~~ ^{that} we've always supported any decisions in the Security Council, ~~but we said "no" to this.~~ ^{but we will not discuss} we ~~opposed any discussion, of~~ ^{that} Iran's complaints as long as any American is being held. ^{this is a} break a precedent, but this is an unprecedented action.

~~Every member of the Security Council agreed with us,~~

Finally, the President has declared that, ~~in accordance with the principle of inviolability of embassies,~~ we hold the Iranian government and its leaders fully accountable and for the safety and well-being of our representatives in Tehran.

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The record is impressive.
~~Let's look at the record.~~

We've put our people back to work -
~~Three years ago, eight million Americans were out of a job.~~
8 million new jobs created - million of them
Today, we have the highest percentage of our workforce employed *women*
in our nation's history.

~~Eight million new jobs in three years -- four million of~~
~~them for women! He achieved that record because Jimmy Carter~~
~~believes in hard work, in a person's right to a job, and the~~
~~right to support himself or herself in dignity.~~

His jobs record is in the great tradition of the Democratic
Great Democrats like
Party. Franklin Roosevelt, Harry Truman, John Kennedy, Lyndon
Johnson and Hubert Humphrey would have been proud -- and we
have every right to be proud, too!

When he came into office in 1977, our nation still had no real energy program. But now we have underway a massive undertaking to free our nation from foreign oil dependence.

The money will come from a Windfall Profits Tax on the unearned profits of the oil companies. As a matter of fairness and justice, the companies which reap the windfall benefits of our foreign oil dependence, should help to end that dependence.

Jimmy Carter is also confronting a burden of the American people for the past dozen years -- inflation. Recently, he enlisted labor and business as partners ^{with govt.} in an historic national accord to fight inflation.

In three years he cut the federal deficit, ^{a Republican} ~~a Republican~~ deficit, from \$66 billion to \$27 billion.

He is reorganizing the govt. — 7 Depts already — making it more efficient, more effective & more responsive to the needs

He has shown that Republicans may talk a lot about fiscal responsibility, but it takes Democrats to practice it.

~~When you talk about balancing the budget, that's all right, but~~
But at the same time on those things that are imp. to me & you as Democrats

~~Yet~~ Jimmy has increased spending greatly ~~for programs~~
~~needed by people -- and improved their effectiveness.~~

The record is impressive.

He increased Federal aid to education by 60 percent,
and established the Department of Education to strengthen
our ties with schools.

He doubled the size of jobs programs and youth unemployment programs. He helped save the Social Security program from bankruptcy. He expanded ~~the food stamp program~~ aid to cities, public transportation, housing programs, farm programs, and many others.

~~[He is working for welfare reform]~~ ^{He} and is the first President in history to send a national health insurance plan to Congress.

Jimmy made room in the Federal budget for necessary programs. He has time and again made sure that the poor and elderly do not suffer from fiscal restraint.

I am proud of him for that. I am also proud that Jimmy has stood up for minority rights -- for the ERA -- for the right of people to keep their jobs upon reaching 65 -- for the right to privacy -- for the right to a safe workplace -- for the rights of the handicapped -- and for the rights of labor.

~~[I am proud of the way government now works again -- for people in need -- without burdening the country.]~~ We have made government compassionate and effective again.

And we've restored honesty & integrity to govt.

~~[Jimmy has taken these unprecedented steps because he believes~~

in government. He wants to see it work. And he wants the public to trust government.]

There is something else he has worked on these past thirty-four months. It is ~~world~~ peace. We are at peace.

Not one American soldier has ^{lost his life} ~~been killed~~ in combat since Jimmy Carter took office. ^{Our co. is strong militarily & we'll keep it strong militarily.} ~~(And I thank God for it.)~~
And we've worked for peace for others.

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Just as he is now, he has been firm, restrained, and deliberate in conducting our nation's foreign policy.

From the very beginning, Jimmy has pursued peace in the world -- peace based on strength and firm principles.

He is for a strong defense. Our nation will stay at peace only as long as we remain strong.

For the past three years we have used our nation's strength not only to avoid war but to pursue fundamental human principles.

When he took office the Middle East threatened to trigger a world war. Today, after over 30 long years of warfare, Israel and Egypt are at peace. They are working together -- because of the United States.

Who would have believed that possible three years ago?

[In our own hemisphere, we have enhanced our respect and dignity by passing the Panama Canal treaties.] In Africa, for the first time in history the United States stands on the side of justice -- for majority rule, for democracy, against apartheid.

Throughout the world we are the champions of human rights. Once again, ^{our country stands as} ~~we are~~ a beacon of hope throughout the world.

We are moving to control the nuclear arms race. SALT II Treaty is so imp. It will control nuclear weapons, enhance our nation's security, and

promote world peace.

For three years, Jimmy Carter has talked sense to the American people. Sometimes people did not like what he had to say. But people heard something that had long been lacking from our nation's leadership -- the truth.

To succeed in the 1980's, we need more, not less of this hard truth.

The days of 30-cents-a-gallon gasoline are gone. So are the days of free-and-easy government deficits.

The times are gone when our country could spend itself out of every problem. [Government ^{must} needs to] show restraint in the amounts we spend, the amount we tax. Every governor knows this. Every mayor knows this. Every taxpayer knows this.

Anyone who does not, is not facing up to today's problems,

and is not listening to the American people.]

We must continue to face up to today's problems

If we follow ~~the~~ the path of easy promises, that leads

to more inaction and more neglect, we ^{will not} ~~would~~ miss our great opportunity

in the next few years to lay the basis for a more prosperous and

more just society.

But a strong effective leadership

With a strong, effective government -- with an economy

expanding again -- with inflation and energy shortages behind

us -- with people believing again -- we can set our course

for a future we have all dreamed about.

~~The only thing that can stop us from this future is
lack of courage and imagination to face problems realistically.~~

There is no future in easy promises and easy rhetoric. Our
problems are much too serious and complex.

Instead, we need hard work -- some sacrifices -- self-

We can be optimistic about the future

We are being challenged as
never before to be calm & steady
strong & courageous

we are being challenged to
reflect about the quality of life
& future generations

We are being challenged as
human beings in the family of man

We can face up to these challenges
together as Americans
And we can have an even
greater future
already

AGAIN -- WE CAN SET OUR COURSE FOR ^{the} FUTURE WE HAVE ALL DREAMED ABOUT.

We must ~~not~~ ^{never} underestimate the goodness of our people. We must ~~not~~ ^{never} underestimate our ability to meet any challenge — to overcome any crises.

Every imp. victory this co. has ever won — with Americans struggling together — has made us stronger as a nation.

We have a wonderful country
" " " people.

Together, ^{joining} working together, we can move forward into the 1980's with a spirit of pride & patriotism & confidence in the future — & make our country even greater than it already is!

MRS. CARTER'S REMARKS
FLORIDA DEMOCRATIC DINNER
NOVEMBER 17, 1979

THANK YOU. THIS HAS BEEN AN EXCITING AND WONDERFUL DAY! I CANNOT THINK OF A BETTER GROUP OF FRIENDS WITH WHOM TO SHARE IT.

I WILL NOT SPEAK FOR LONG TONIGHT. AND I WILL TRY NOT TO REPEAT MYSELF. I AM PROUD OF MY HUSBAND'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS AS PRESIDENT ON ISSUE AFTER ISSUE, BUT I AM ALSO VERY PROUD OF HOW HE HAS REVIVED SOME OF THE BEST AND MOST BASIC VALUES OF OUR COUNTRY AND THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MANY YEARS, WE CAN FEEL CONFIDENT AND AT EASE WITH SUCH VALUES AS PATRIOTISM, BASIC MORALITY, COMPASSION, TRUTHFULNESS, FAMILY LIFE, EVEN BELIEF IN GOD.

I HAVE SEEN A GREAT CHANGE AROUND THE COUNTRY IN THE PAST 3 YEARS, AND OUR ADMINISTRATION, AND OUR DEMOCRATIC PARTY, CAN TAKE CREDIT FOR IT.

OUR BELIEFS AND MORAL AND ETHICAL PRINCIPLES PROVIDE US WITH A SENSE OF PURPOSE. WE RECOGNIZE OUR OPPORTUNITIES AND OUR RESPONSIBILITIES. OUR LEGACY IS TO WORK TOGETHER FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL -- TO SERVE OUR FELLOW MAN -- TO MEET OUR CHALLENGES WITH COURAGE AND WITH CONFIDENCE IN OURSELVES AND IN OUR FUTURE FELLOW MAN.

LET ME JUST REMIND YOU OF SOME OF THE BELIEFS THAT HAVE GUIDED JIMMY AND THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY SINCE TAKING OFFICE.

OURS IS A PARTY OF COMPASSION. WE BELIEVE IN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY. THAT IS WHY DEMOCRATS MOVED FIRMLY AND COURAGEOUSLY TO END THE RACIAL SEGREGATION THAT BLIGHTED OUR NATION.

IT HAS BEEN ONLY A FEW YEARS SINCE SEGREGATION WAS AN ACCEPTED WAY OF LIFE IN OUR COUNTRY, YET NOW IT SEEMS A CENTURY AGO. WE MUST CONTINUE THAT PROGRESS.

DEMOCRATS HAVE BEEN THE PARTY TO REACH OUT TO THE POOR, THE AFFLICTED, THE VICTIMS OF INJUSTICE, AND THE REFUGEES AND IMMIGRANTS

WHO STILL COME TO OUR SHORES.

I RETURNED LAST WEEKEND FROM A TRIP TO THAILAND, WHERE AMERICAN AID IS BEGINNING TO REACH THE STARVING AND SICK REFUGEES FROM LAOS AND KAMPUCHEA. I HAVE NEVER SEEN SUCH DESPERATION AND SUFFERING IN MY LIFE.

IT IS NOW CLEAR THAT AMERICAN AID IS HELPING, THAT WE ARE MOVING DECISIVELY TO OVERCOME THE POLITICAL AND BUREAUCRATIC OBSTACLES IN OUR PATH THERE, AND THAT WE WILL HELP TO SAVE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF LIVES.

THERE IS NO POLITICAL OR STRATEGIC GAIN IN DOING THIS.

YET, WE AMERICANS ARE LISTENING TO OUR CONSCIENCE, REACHING OUT, AND SHARING. WE HAVE DONE THIS TIME AFTER TIME, AND THAT IS PART OF OUR GREATNESS.

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY BELIEVES IN HARD WORK AND ITS DIGNITY. WE BELIEVE THAT EVERYONE HAS THE RIGHT TO A JOB, TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT THEMSELVES.

LIKE YOU, JIMMY HAS WORKED HARD ALL HIS LIFE. HE GREW UP ON A FARM DURING THE DEPRESSION AND HE WORKED IN THE FIELDS FROM BEFORE SUNRISE TO AFTER SUNSET.

AS ADULTS, HE AND I HAVE WORKED TOGETHER. IT IS A GRATIFYING EXPERIENCE -- PART OF AMERICAN LIFE.

WE HAVE ALL BEEN REWARDED IN DIFFERENT WAYS. BUT WE DEMOCRATS KNOW THAT THE BEST REWARD IS BEING USEFUL IN THIS WORLD.

THAT IS WHY THIS ADMINISTRATION PUT AMERICA BACK TO WORK AS THE FIRST AND MOST IMPORTANT STEP TOWARD SOLVING OUR OTHER PROBLEMS. BEFORE DOING ANYTHING ELSE, WE WANTED TO MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR AMERICANS TO EARN OUR OWN WAY AGAIN AND CONTRIBUTE TO OUR FAMILIES, OUR COMMUNITIES, AND OUR NATION.

WE HAVE CONSTANTLY STRENGTHENED PROGRAMS TO INSURE EQUAL RIGHTS AND TO TIDE WORKERS OVER IN HARD TIMES.

AND AFTER A LIFETIME OF HARD WORK, WE BELIEVE THAT A PERSON

SHOULD HAVE A SECURE AND HAPPY OLD AGE. THE PARTY THAT FOUGHT AGAINST REPUBLICAN OPPOSITION TO SOCIAL SECURITY, MINIMUM WAGE, MEDICAID AND MEDICARE IS STILL PROTECTING AND IMPROVING THESE PROGRAMS.

DEMOCRATS BELIEVE THAT GOVERNMENT CAN, AND MUST, BE EFFECTIVE AND COMPETENT. UNLIKE REPUBLICANS, WE DO NOT WANT GOVERNMENT TO SHRINK UP AND RETREAT. WE WANT IT TO WORK, SO IT CAN HELP PEOPLE.

THERE IS NO GREATER BETRAYAL OF HARD-WORKING DEMOCRATS THAN WASTE, FRAUD, OR MISMANAGEMENT OF GOVERNMENT. THERE IS NO GREATER BETRAYAL OF THE POOR, THE ELDERLY, AND THE DISADVANTAGED -- PEOPLE WHO LOST REFUGE, WHOSE LAST AND ONLY HOPE IS GOVERNMENT.

NO PARTY AND NO POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY HAS MORE AT STAKE IN THIS EFFORT TO MANAGE GOVERNMENT BETTER. JIMMY INHERITED A \$66 BILLION BUDGET DEFICIT, AND, AS YOU KNOW, HE AND THE DEMOCRATIC CONGRESS HAVE ALREADY SLASHED IT 60%.

DEMOCRATS BELIEVE IN PEACE, AND ESPECIALLY AFTER OUR NATION'S LONGEST, MOST DIVISIVE WAR IN HISTORY. FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 56 YEARS WE HAVE A PRESIDENT WHO CAN REPORT TO THE NATION THAT NOT A SINGLE AMERICAN HAS DIED IN COMBAT.

THAT PEACE IS, AND MUST BE, BASED ON STRENGTH. OUR NATION HAS NEVER BEEN STRONGER. WE KNOW FULLY THAT WARS BEGIN ONLY WHEN

AN AGGRESSOR BELIEVES HIS ADVERSARIES ARE WEAK AND VULNERABLE.

PEACE IS BASED ON CALM RESTRAINT AND DELIBERATION, TO AVOID FOREIGN ADVENTURES WHICH CAN WASTE PRECIOUS HUMAN LIVES, EVEN WHEN TO DO SO WOULD BE POPULAR AND EXPEDIENT. I KNOW THIS IS UPPERMOST IN JIMMY'S MIND AS HE FACES THE CRISIS IN IRAN.

PEACE IS ALSO BASED ON OUR SHARED VALUES, INCLUDING FREEDOM, SELF-DETERMINATION AND HUMAN RIGHTS. AS WE FOUND OUT, A NATION CANNOT HAVE ONE SET OF VALUES FOR DOMESTIC LIFE, AND ANOTHER FOR ITS FOREIGN POLICY. OUR DEALINGS WITH OTHERS MUST BE BASED ON OUR FUNDAMENTAL BELIEFS, AND FOR THE FIRST TIME IN YEARS, WE ARE DOING THAT.

FINALLY, THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY BELIEVES IN THE FUTURE, AND IN CHANGE -- NOT CHANGE FOR ITS OWN SAKE -- BUT AS A DYNAMIC FORCE WE CAN HARNESS FOR HUMAN PROGRESS. WE HAVE CONSTANTLY EXPERIMENTED AND TRIED NEW IDEAS. WE ARE DOING THAT TODAY IN CONFRONTING INFLATION AND ENERGY PROBLEMS.

WE KNOW THAT TODAY'S PROBLEMS ARE NOT PERMANENT. WE KNOW THAT THE ONLY LIMITS ARE IN THE REALISM AND IMAGINATION AND COURAGE WE APPLY TO SOLVING NEW PROBLEMS. WE KNOW THE LIMITLESS POSSIBILITIES AHEAD IF WE CONFRONT OUR PROBLEMS REALISTICALLY AND DECISIVELY.

AS PRESIDENT JOHN KENNEDY SAID, "CHANGE IS THE LAW OF LIFE -- AND THOSE WHO LOOK ONLY TO THE PAST OR THE PRESENT ARE CERTAIN TO

MISS THE FUTURE."

THE BELIEFS THAT I HAVE OUTLINED FORM THE TRADITION OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY. IT IS A TRADITION COME TO LIFE AGAIN. DEMOCRATS ARE AGAIN LEADING THE COUNTRY, AND THE NATION IS BETTER FOR IT.

THE PROBLEMS WE FACE TODAY CAN BE A BARRIER TO A BRIGHT FUTURE ONLY IF WE IGNORE THOSE PROBLEMS OR TRY JUST THE EASY SOLUTIONS. WE MUST FACE THEM TOGETHER.

IT WILL NOT BE EASY. THE PRESIDENT FACES AN UPHILL ELECTION STRUGGLE TO CONTINUE THE WORK OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

FOR 3 YEARS, HE HAS HAD EVERY ACTION TAKEN APART AND COMPARED TO AN ABSTRACT STANDARD OF PERFECTION. HE HAS OFTEN STOOD ALONE, WHILE OTHERS HAVE CRITICIZED FROM THE SIDELINES.

BUT NOW THAT HIS OPPONENTS HAVE DECLARED, THEY WILL HAVE TO MEET HIGH STANDARDS -- STANDARDS WHICH JIMMY HAS MET, AND CARRIED OUT FOR NEARLY 3 YEARS.

I BELIEVE THAT YOU WILL AGREE THAT THERE IS NO COMPARISON!

FOR THE PRESIDENT, LET ME THANK YOU FOR YOUR LOYALTY AND SUPPORT. THANK YOU FOR STANDING BY HIM AND YOUR PARTY.

YOU HAVE MADE A LONELY JOB A LOT LESS LONELY FOR HIM, AND
I AM DEEPLY GRATEFUL.

LET'S WIN IN 1980! AND KEEP WORKING TO MAKE THIS GREAT
COUNTRY OF OURS EVEN GREATER.

Mrs. CARTER'S REMARKS
FLORIDA DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION
NOVEMBER 17, 1979

THANK YOU. IT'S WONDERFUL TO BE HERE WITH YOU AND TO SEE SO MANY OLD FRIENDS.

FLORIDA HAS BEEN VERY SPECIAL TO US -- FOR YOUR SUPPORT, FOR YOUR COMMITTED AND STRONG DEMOCRATIC PARTY, BUT MOST OF ALL, FOR YOUR FRIENDSHIP.

I AM VERY SORRY THAT JIMMY MUST STAY IN WASHINGTON BECAUSE OF THE CRISIS IN IRAN, AND I WANT TO TALK BRIEFLY ABOUT THAT.

JIMMY HAS SAID THAT THESE HAVE BEEN THE TWO MOST TRYING WEEKS

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OF HIS PRESIDENCY. INDEED, THEY HAVE BEEN TWO OF THE MOST TRYING WEEKS IN OUR NATION'S HISTORY. TERRORISTS HALF A WORLD AWAY ARE HOLDING AMERICAN MEN AND WOMEN HOSTAGE, SUPPORTED BY THE HOST GOVERNMENT.

IT IS AN OUTRAGE, TOTALLY OUTSIDE THE BOUNDS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW, FOR THE WHOLE WORLD TO SEE. ALSO FOR THE WORLD TO SEE IS THIS NATION AND OUR PRESIDENT ACTING WITH CALMNESS, WITH COURAGE AND WITH MEASURED ACTION.

THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE UNITED BEHIND THE PRESIDENT AS NEVER BEFORE. EVERY AMERICAN FEELS ANGER AND OUTRAGE AT WHAT IS HAPPENING -- AND EVERY AMERICAN FEELS CONCERN FOR THE SAFETY AND

PRIDE FOR THE GREAT COURAGE OF THOSE WHO ARE BEIND HELD HOSTAGE.

THIS CRISIS CALLS FOR FIRMNESS AND RESTRAINT. I AM PROUD THAT THIS SITUATION HAS BROUGHT FORTH CALM LEADERSHIP BY OFFICIALS AND PRIVATE CITIZENS THROUGHOUT THIS COUNTRY.

FIRMNESS REQUIRES PATIENCE AND IT REQUIRES PERSEVERANCE.

FIRMNESS ALSO MEANS MEASURED ACTION.

WHILE WE ARE PURSUING ALL AVENUES OF DIPLOMATIC RESOLUTION, WE ARE ACTING UNILATERALLY AND AS APPROPRIATE -- WITH RESTRAINT, YES, BUT WITHOUT HESITATION.

THE PRESIDENT HAS DISCOURAGED ISSUING PERMITS FOR DEMONSTRATIONS IN WASHINGTON AND AROUND THE NATION.

HE HAS DIRECTED IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES TO REVIEW THE VISAS OF SOME 50,000 IRANIAN STUDENTS WHO ARE GUESTS OF THE UNITED STATES. THOSE WHO ARE HERE ILLEGALLY WILL BE PROCESSED PROMPTLY FOR DEPORTATION BACK TO THEIR OWN COUNTRY.

THE PRESIDENT HAS ORDERED AN IMMEDIATE AND TOTAL HALT TO ANY PURCHASES OR SHIPMENTS OF IRANIAN OIL TO THE UNITED STATES.

WE WILL NOT COMPROMISE OUR FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES FOR OIL FROM ANY FOREIGN COUNTRY.

THE PRESIDENT HAS FROZEN ALL OFFICIAL IRANIAN PROPERTY AND ASSETS IN THIS COUNTRY.

ALSO, IRAN WANTED TO TAKE DISCUSSIONS OF THE ISSUE TO THE UNITED STATES SECURITY COUNCIL. WE HAVE ALWAYS SUPPORTED ANY DISCUSSIONS IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL, BUT WE SAID "NO" TO THIS. WE WILL NOT DISCUSS IRAN'S COMPLAINTS AS LONG AS ANY AMERICAN IS BEING HELD.

THIS IS A BREAK WITH PRECEDENT, BUT THIS IS AN UNPRECEDENTED ACTION.

FINALLY, THE PRESIDENT HAS DECLARED THAT WE HOLD THE IRANIAN GOVERNMENT AND ITS LEADERS FULLY ACCOUNTABLE AND FOR THE SAFETY

AND WELL-BEING OF OUR REPRESENTATIVES IN TEHRAN.

THESE DIFFICULT DAYS HAVE REMINDED US OF THE BASIC FACTS AND PRINCIPLES WHICH ARE FUNDAMENTAL TO OUR EXISTENCE AS A PEOPLE.

THESE IDEALS MAY AT TIMES SEEM OLD-FASHIONED OR OUTMODED. BUT WE HAVE BEEN CLEARLY REMINDED BY EVENTS IN IRAN THAT THESE PRINCIPLES MEAN AS MUCH TO US NOW AS THEY HAVE EVER MEANT DURING ANY TIME IN OUR COUNTRY.

THESE FUNDAMENTALS HAVE OLD NAMES TO WHICH WE MUST CONTINUALLY GIVE NEW MEANING -- NAMES LIKE STRENGTH, COURAGE, PATRIOTISM, INDEPENDENCE, THE LOVE OF FREEDOM, HUMAN RIGHTS AND JUSTICE.

THIS IS A TIME OF TRIAL -- A TIME OF DEEP CONCERN.

BUT, WE WILL NOT COMPROMISE OUR FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES NOW OR EVER! AND WE WILL NOT LET OUR FREEDOM AND OUR SECURITY BE JEOPARDIZED!

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I WAS TOLD THAT MY SPEECH TO YOU TODAY WAS NOT SUPPOSED TO BE AN INSPIRATIONAL, THEMATIC-TYPE SPEECH -- BUT THAT YOU WANTED A SUBSTANTIVE SPEECH ABOUT ISSUES AND ABOUT WHAT IS BEING DONE TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE PEOPLE OF OUR COUNTRY.

BUT, IT'S INSPIRATIONAL TO HEAR THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION.

IN THE SHORT TIME THAT JIMMY HAS BEEN PRESIDENT, HE HAS COMPILED A SOLID RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENT.

ON ISSUE AFTER ISSUE, HE HAS PROVIDED LEADERSHIP -- AND HE HAS BEEN ABLE, WORKING WITH CONGRESS, TO PASS MORE THAN 80% OF ALL

THE LEGISLATION HE HAS PUT FORWARD AND WORKED FOR.

MOST OF ALL, HE HAS TALKED SENSE TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

HE HAS FACED UP TO THE TOUGH ISSUES AND SET OUR COUNTRY ON A TRUE COURSE AGAIN.

LET'S LOOK AT THE RECORD.

WE HAVE PUT OUR PEOPLE BACK TO WORK -- 8 MILLION NEW JOBS CREATED -- MILLION OF THEM WOMEN. TODAY, WE HAVE THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OF OUR WORK FORCE EMPLOYED IN OUR NATION'S HISTORY.

THE PRESIDENT'S JOBS RECORD IS IN THE GREAT TRADITION OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY. GREAT DEMOCRATS LIKE FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT, HARRY

TRUMAN, JOHN KENNEDY, LYNDON JOHNSON AND HUBERT HUMPHREY WOULD HAVE BEEN PROUD -- AND WE HAVE EVERY RIGHT TO BE PROUD, TOO!

WHEN JIMMY CAME INTO OFFICE IN 1977, OUR NATION STILL HAD NO REAL ENERGY PROGRAM. BUT NOW WE HAVE UNDERWAY A MASSIVE UNDERTAKING TO FREE OUR NATION FROM FOREIGN OIL DEPENDENCE.

THE MONEY WILL COME FROM A WINDFALL PROFITS TAX ON THE UNEARNED PROFITS OF THE OIL COMPANIES. AS A MATTER OF FAIRNESS AND JUSTICE, THE COMPANIES WHICH REAP THE WINDFALL BENEFITS OF OUR FOREIGN OILDEPENDENCE, SHOULD HELP TO END THAT DEPENDENCE.

JIMMY CARTER IS ALSO CONFRONTING A BURDEN OF THE AMERICAN

PEOPLE FOR THE PAST DOZEN YEARS -- INFLATION. RECENTLY, HE ENLISTED LABOR AND BUSINESS AS PARTNERS WITH GOVERNMENT IN AN HISTORIC NATIONAL ACCORD TO FIGHT INFLATION.

HE IS REORGANIZING THE GOVERNMENT. 7 DEPARTMENTS ALREADY -- MAKING GOVERNMENT MORE EFFICIENT, MORE EFFECTIVE AND MORE RESPONSIVE TO THE NEEDS.

IN 3 YEARS JIMMY HAS CUT THE FEDERAL DEFICIT, A REPUBLICAN DEFICIT, FROM \$66 BILLION TO \$27 BILLION.

HE HAS SHOWN THAT REPUBLICANS MAY TALK A LOT ABOUT FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY, BUT IT TAKES DEMOCRATS TO PRACTICE IT.

BUT, AT THE SAME TIME, ON THOSE THINGS THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO ME AND YOU AS DEMOCRATS, JIMMY HAS INCREASED SPENDING GREATLY.

THE RECORD IS IMPRESSIVE.

HE INCREASED FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION BY 60%, AND ESTABLISHED THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO STRENGTHEN OUR TIES WITH SCHOOLS.

HE DOUBLED THE SIZE OF JOBS PROGRAMS AND YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS. HE HELPED SAVE THE SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAM FROM BANKRUPTCY. HE EXPANDED AID TO CITIES, PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING PROGRAMS, FARM PROGRAMS, AND MANY OTHERS.

HE IS THE FIRST PRESIDENT IN HISTORY TO SEND A NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN TO CONGRESS.

JIMMY MADE ROOM IN THE FEDERAL BUDGET FOR NECESSARY PROGRAMS. HE HAS TIME AND AGAIN MADE SURE THAT THE POOR AND ELDERLY DO NOT SUFFER FROM FISCAL RESTRAINT.

I AM PROUD OF HIM FOR THAT. I AM ALSO PROUD THAT JIMMY HAS STOOD UP FOR MINORITY RIGHTS -- FOR THE ERA -- FOR THE RIGHT OF PEOPLE TO KEEP THEIR JOBS UPON REACHING 65 -- FOR THE RIGHT TO PRIVACY -- FOR THE RIGHT TO A SAFE WORK PLACE -- FOR THE RIGHTS OF THE HANDICAPPED -- AND FOR THE RIGHTS OF LABOR.

WE HAVE MADE GOVERNMENT COMPASSIONATE AND EFFECTIVE AGAIN!

AND WE HAVE RESTORED HONESTY AND INTEGRITY TO GOVERNMENT!

THERE IS SOMETHING ELSE HE HAS WORKED ON THESE PAST 34 MONTHS. IT IS PEACE. WE ARE AT PEACE.

NOT ONE AMERICAN SOLDIER HAS LOST HIS LIFE IN COMBAT SINCE JIMMY CARTER TOOK OFFICE. OUR COUNTRY IS STRONG MILITARILY, AND WE WILL KEEP IT STRONG MILITARILY.

AND WE HAVE WORKED FOR PEACE FOR OTHERS.

WHEN JIMMY TOOK OFFICE, THE MIDDLE EAST THREATENED TO TRIGGER A WORLD WAR. TODAY, AFTER OVER 30 LONG YEARS OF WARFARE, ISRAEL AND

EGYPT ARE AT PEACE. THEY ARE WORKING TOGETHER -- BECAUSE OF THE UNITED STATES.

WHO WOULD HAVE BELIEVED THAT POSSIBLE 3 YEARS AGO?

IN AFRICA, FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HISTORY, THE UNITED STATES STANDS ON THE SIDE OF JUSTICE -- FOR MAJORITY RULE, FOR DEMOCRACY, AGAINST APARTHEID.

THROUGHOUT THE WORLD WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS. ONCE AGAIN, OUR COUNTRY STANDS AS A BEACON OF HOPE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

WE ARE MOVING TO CONTROL THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE. THE SALT II TREATY IS SO IMPORTANT. IT WILL CONTROL NUCLEAR WEAPONS, ENHANCE OUR NATION'S SECURITY, AND PROMOTE WORLD PEACE.

FOR 3 YEARS, JIMMY CARTER HAS TALKED SENSE TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. BUT PEOPLE HEARD SOMETHING THAT HAD LONG BEEN LACKING FROM OUR NATION'S LEADERSHIP -- THE TRUTH.

TO SUCCEED IN THE 1980'S, WE NEED MORE, NOT LESS, OF THIS HARD TRUTH.

THE DAYS OF 30-CENTS-A-GALLON GASOLINE ARE GONE. SO ARE THE DAYS OF FREE-AND-EASY GOVERNMENT DEFICITS.

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MRS. CARTER'S REMARKS
FLORIDA DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION
NOVEMBER 17, 1979

THANK YOU. IT'S WONDERFUL TO BE HERE WITH YOU AND TO SEE SO MANY OLD FRIENDS.

FLORIDA HAS BEEN VERY SPECIAL TO US -- FOR YOUR SUPPORT, FOR YOUR COMMITTED AND STRONG DEMOCRATIC PARTY, ^{AND} ~~but~~ MOST OF ALL, FOR YOUR FRIENDSHIP.

I AM VERY SORRY THAT JIMMY MUST STAY IN WASHINGTON BECAUSE OF THE CRISIS IN IRAN, [AND I WANT TO TALK BRIEFLY ABOUT THAT.] *this is a tense time for him -- & for all of us.*

^{He} JIMMY HAS SAID THAT THESE HAVE BEEN THE TWO MOST TRYING WEEKS

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OF HIS PRESIDENCY. INDEED, THEY HAVE BEEN TWO OF THE MOST TRYING WEEKS IN OUR NATION'S HISTORY. TERRORISTS HALF A WORLD AWAY ARE HOLDING AMERICAN MEN AND WOMEN HOSTAGE, SUPPORTED BY THE HOST GOVERNMENT.

IT IS AN OUTRAGE, TOTALLY OUTSIDE THE BOUNDS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW,[?] FOR THE WHOLE WORLD TO SEE. ALSO FOR THE WORLD TO SEE IS THIS NATION AND OUR PRESIDENT ACTING WITH CALMNESS, WITH COURAGE AND WITH MEASURED ACTION.

[~~THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE UNITED BEHIND THE PRESIDENT AS NEVER BEFORE.~~ ^{of course} EVERY AMERICAN FEELS ANGER [AND OUTRAGE] AT WHAT IS HAPPENING -- AND EVERY AMERICAN FEELS CONCERN FOR THE SAFETY AND

PRIDE FOR THE GREAT COURAGE OF THOSE WHO ARE BEING HELD HOSTAGE.

~~[THIS CRISIS CALLS FOR FIRMNESS AND RESTRAINT.]~~ ^{BUT} I AM PROUD
THAT THIS SITUATION HAS BROUGHT FORTH CALM LEADERSHIP BY OFFICIALS
AND PRIVATE CITIZENS THROUGHOUT THIS COUNTRY.

~~[FIRMNESS REQUIRES PATIENCE AND IT REQUIRES PERSEVERANCE.~~

~~FIRMNESS ALSO MEANS MEASURED ACTION.]~~

~~WHILE~~ WE ARE PURSUING ALL AVENUES OF DIPLOMATIC RESOLUTION,
\$ WE ARE ^{also taking action} ~~ACTING UNILATERALLY AND~~ AS APPROPRIATE -- WITH RESTRAINT,
YES, BUT WITHOUT HESITATION.

WE OF COURSE WELCOME THE ANNOUNCEMENT TODAY THAT
SOME OF THE HOSTAGES WILL BE RELEASED AND WILL SOON BE ABLE
TO REJOIN THEIR FAMILIES.

BUT WE CANNOT FORGET THAT OTHER HOSTAGES -- ^{other} OUR FELLOW
AMERICANS -- ARE STILL BEING HELD.

OUR GOAL MUST BE THE SAFE RELEASE OF EACH ONE OF THEM.

THE PRESIDENT NEEDS THE SOLID SUPPORT OF EVERY AMERICAN.

THOSE IN AUTHORITY IN IRAN MUST UNDERSTAND THAT THE
AMERICAN PEOPLE HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR

FELLOW CITIZENS.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES CANNOT ALWAYS PUBLICLY EXPLAIN EVERY REASON FOR EVERY ACTION IN THE MIDST OF CRISIS -- BUT THIS PRESIDENT HAS SHOWN OVER AND OVER AGAIN THAT HE HAS THE COURAGE TO DO WHAT IS RIGHT AND WHAT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF OUR COUNTRY, EVEN THOUGH IT MAY NOT BE THE MOST POLITICALLY EXPEDIENT.

I THINK HE HAS EARNED YOUR TRUST AND YOUR SUPPORT, [AND I HAVE NO DOUBT YOU WILL GIVE IT TO HIM] WILL YOU GIVE HIM THAT SUPPORT?

I WAS TOLD THAT MY SPEECH TO YOU TODAY WAS NOT SUPPOSED TO BE AN INSPIRATIONAL, THEMATIC-TYPE SPEECH -- BUT THAT YOU WANTED A SUBSTANTIVE SPEECH ABOUT ISSUES AND ABOUT WHAT IS BEING DONE TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE PEOPLE OF OUR COUNTRY.

BUT, IT'S INSPIRATIONAL TO HEAR THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION.

IN THE SHORT TIME THAT JIMMY HAS BEEN PRESIDENT, HE HAS COMPILED A SOLID RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENT.

ON ISSUE AFTER ISSUE, HE HAS PROVIDED LEADERSHIP -- AND HE HAS BEEN ABLE, WORKING WITH CONGRESS, TO PASS MORE THAN 80% OF ALL

THE LEGISLATION HE HAS PUT FORWARD AND WORKED FOR.

~~[MOST OF ALL]~~ ^{And} HE HAS TALKED SENSE TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

HE HAS FACED UP TO THE TOUGH ISSUES AND SET OUR COUNTRY ON A TRUE COURSE AGAIN.

LET'S LOOK AT THE RECORD:

WE HAVE PUT OUR PEOPLE BACK TO WORK -- 8 MILLION NEW JOBS CREATED -- MILLION OF THEM WOMEN. [TODAY, WE HAVE] THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OF OUR WORK FORCE EMPLOYED IN OUR NATION'S HISTORY.

THE PRESIDENT'S JOBS RECORD IS IN THE GREAT TRADITION OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY. GREAT DEMOCRATS LIKE FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT, HARRY

TRUMAN, JOHN KENNEDY, LYNDON JOHNSON AND HUBERT HUMPHREY WOULD HAVE BEEN PROUD -- AND WE HAVE EVERY RIGHT TO BE PROUD, TOO!

WHEN JIMMY CAME INTO OFFICE IN 1977, OUR NATION STILL HAD NO REAL ENERGY PROGRAM. BUT NOW WE HAVE UNDERWAY A MASSIVE UNDER-
TAKING TO FREE OUR NATION FROM ^{dependence on} FOREIGN OIL DEPENDENCE.

THE MONEY WILL COME FROM A WINDFALL PROFITS TAX ON THE UNEARNED PROFITS OF THE OIL COMPANIES. AS A MATTER OF FAIRNESS AND JUSTICE, THE COMPANIES WHICH REAP THE WINDFALL BENEFITS OF OUR FOREIGN OIL DEPENDENCE, SHOULD HELP TO END THAT DEPENDENCE.

JIMMY CARTER IS ALSO CONFRONTING ^{an issue that has been} A BURDEN OF THE AMERICAN

PEOPLE FOR THE PAST DOZEN YEARS -- ^{the issue of} INFLATION. RECENTLY, HE
ENLISTED LABOR AND BUSINESS AS PARTNERS WITH GOVERNMENT IN AN
HISTORIC NATIONAL ACCORD TO FIGHT INFLATION.

HE IS REORGANIZING THE GOVERNMENT. 7 DEPARTMENTS ALREADY --
MAKING GOVERNMENT MORE ^{competent.} ~~EFFICIENT~~, ~~[MORE EFFECTIVE AND MORE RESPONSIVE~~
~~TO THE NEEDS.]~~ ^{Reformed} Civil Service ^{System} ~~Reform~~ - major accomplishment

^{Cutting Red Tape & paper work}
^{Being prudent in spending}

IN 3 YEARS JIMMY HAS CUT THE FEDERAL DEFICIT, A REPUBLICAN
DEFICIT, FROM \$66 BILLION TO \$27 BILLION.

[HE HAS SHOWN THAT REPUBLICANS MAY TALK A LOT ABOUT FISCAL
RESPONSIBILITY, BUT IT TAKES DEMOCRATS TO PRACTICE IT.]

^{and}
~~BUT~~, AT THE SAME TIME, ON THOSE THINGS THAT ARE IMPORTANT
TO ME AND YOU AS DEMOCRATS, [~~JIMMY HAS INCREASED SPENDING GREATLY~~]

THE RECORD IS IMPRESSIVE.

He ^{has} INCREASED FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION BY 60%, AND ESTABLISHED
THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION [~~TO STRENGTHEN OUR TIES WITH SCHOOLS.~~]

HE DOUBLED THE SIZE OF JOBS PROGRAMS AND YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT
PROGRAMS. HE HELPED SAVE THE SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAM ~~FROM~~
~~BANKRUPTCY~~. He ^{has} EXPANDED AID TO CITIES, PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION,
HOUSING PROGRAMS, FARM PROGRAMS, AND MANY OTHERS.

HE IS THE FIRST PRESIDENT IN HISTORY TO SEND A NATIONAL
HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN TO CONGRESS.

~~[JIMMY MADE ROOM IN THE FEDERAL BUDGET FOR NECESSARY PROGRAMS.~~
HE HAS ~~[TIME AND AGAIN]~~ MADE SURE THAT THE POOR AND ELDERLY DO NOT
SUFFER FROM FISCAL RESTRAINT.

I AM PROUD OF HIM FOR THAT. I AM ALSO PROUD THAT JIMMY HAS
STOOD UP FOR MINORITY RIGHTS -- FOR THE ERA -- FOR THE RIGHT
OF PEOPLE TO KEEP THEIR JOBS UPON REACHING 65 -- FOR THE RIGHT
TO PRIVACY -- FOR THE RIGHT TO A SAFE WORK PLACE -- FOR THE
RIGHTS OF THE HANDICAPPED -- AND FOR THE RIGHTS OF LABOR.

~~He has~~
~~[WE HAVE] MADE GOVERNMENT COMPASSIONATE AND EFFECTIVE AGAIN!~~

~~he has~~
AND ~~[WE HAVE]~~ RESTORED HONESTY AND INTEGRITY TO GOVERNMENT!

THERE IS SOMETHING ELSE HE HAS WORKED ON THESE PAST 34 MONTHS.
IT IS PEACE. WE ARE AT PEACE.

NOT ONE AMERICAN SOLDIER HAS LOST HIS LIFE IN COMBAT SINCE
JIMMY CARTER TOOK OFFICE. OUR COUNTRY IS STRONG MILITARILY, AND
WE WILL KEEP IT STRONG MILITARILY.

AND WE HAVE WORKED FOR PEACE FOR OTHERS.

WHEN JIMMY TOOK OFFICE, THE MIDDLE EAST THREATENED TO TRIGGER
A WORLD WAR. TODAY, AFTER OVER 30 LONG YEARS OF WARFARE, ISRAEL AND

EGYPT ARE AT PEACE. THEY ARE WORKING TOGETHER -- BECAUSE OF THE UNITED STATES.

WHO WOULD HAVE BELIEVED THAT POSSIBLE 3 YEARS AGO?

IN AFRICA, FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HISTORY, THE UNITED STATES STANDS ON THE SIDE OF JUSTICE -- FOR MAJORITY RULE, FOR DEMOCRACY, AGAINST APARTHEID.

THROUGHOUT THE WORLD WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS. ONCE AGAIN, OUR COUNTRY STANDS AS A BEACON OF HOPE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

WE ARE MOVING TO CONTROL THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE. THE SALT II TREATY IS SO IMPORTANT. IT WILL CONTROL NUCLEAR WEAPONS, ENHANCE OUR NATION'S SECURITY, AND PROMOTE WORLD PEACE. I ask your support and your efforts in helping ~~not~~ to get this treaty ratified.

FOR 3 YEARS, JIMMY CARTER HAS TALKED SENSE TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. ~~BUT~~ PEOPLE ^{have} HEARD SOMETHING THAT HAD LONG BEEN LACKING FROM OUR NATION'S LEADERSHIP -- THE TRUTH.

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We must ^{never} ~~not~~ underestimate the goodness of our people. We must ^{never} ~~not~~ underestimate our ability to meet any challenge — to overcome any crises.

Every imp. victory this co. has ever won — with Americans struggling together — has made us stronger as a nation.

We have a wonderful country
" " " people.

Together, ^{pinning} working together, we can move forward into the 1980's with a spirit of pride & patriotism & confidence in the future — & make our country even greater than it already is!

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11/16/79

First Lady's Remarks to Florida Democratic Dinner

Thank you. This has been an exciting and wonderful day.

I cannot think of a better group of ^{friends with whom} people ^{to share it with.}

I will not speak for long tonight. And I will try not to repeat myself. I am proud of my husband's accomplishments as President on issue after issue, *but I am also very proud*

[But I am proudest] of how he has revived some of ^{the} our

of our country's and the Democratic Party's best and most basic values

For the first time in many years, ^{we can} people ~~do not~~ feel ^{confident and} [awkward] ^{at ease} with ^{basic morality, compassion, truthfulness,} about such values as patriotism, family life, even belief in God.

I have seen a great change around the country in the past

three years, and our Administration, and our Democratic
Party can take credit for it. [We have accomplished *much*
because
a lot because of the strength of our shared beliefs, our
dedication to serve others, and our responsiveness to the
people.]

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[Let me just remind you of some of the beliefs that
have guided
Jimmy and the Democratic Party ~~[have put into action]~~ since taking
office.]

Ours is a party of compassion. We believe in equal
opportunity. That is why Democrats moved firmly and
courageously to end the racial segregation that blighted
our nation. It has been only a few years since segregation
an accepted
way of life in our country,
was ~~[firmly entrenched in the South]~~ yet now it seems a
must
century ago. We ~~have~~ continued that progress.

continue to fight
segregation

Democrats have been the party to reach out to the poor, the afflicted, the victims of injustice, and the the refugees and immigrants who still come to our shores.

our beliefs & moral & ethical principles provide us with a sense of purpose. We recognize our opportunities & our responsibilities. Our legacy is to work together for the benefit of all - to
I returned last weekend from a trip to Thailand, where *save our fellow man*

American aid is beginning to reach the starving and sick refugees from Laos and Kampuchea. I have never seen such desperation and suffering in my life.

to meet our challenges with courage & with confidence in ourselves & in our fellow man.

now But *It* is *clear* that American aid is coming, that we *helping* are moving decisively to overcome the political and bureacratic obstacles in our path there, and that we will *help to* save hundreds of thousands of lives.

There is no political or strategic gain in doing this.

[Few other countries are making the same effort.]

we Yet *Americans* are listening to their consciences, *our*

reaching out, and sharing. We have done this ^{time after time,} over and over,
and that is part of our greatness.

The Democratic Party believes in hard work and its
dignity. We believe that everyone has the right to a job,
to have the opportunity to support themselves.

Like you, Jimmy has worked hard all his life. He
grew up on a farm during the Depression, ^{and} Day after day,
year after year, he worked in the fields from before sunrise
to after sunset. *As adults he and I have worked
together. It is a gratifying experience - part of
American life.*

We have all been rewarded in different ways. But we
^{Democrats}
all know that the best reward is being useful in this world.

That is why this Administration put America back to
work as the first, and most important, step toward solving
our other problems. Before doing anything else, we wanted

to make it possible for ^{American} ~~people~~ to earn ^{our} ~~their~~ own way again
and contribute to ^{our} ~~their~~ families, ^{our} ~~their~~ communities, and
^{our} ~~their~~ nation.

[We also believe that workers should have security.]

We have constantly strengthened ~~government~~ programs to ^{insure equal rights and to} tide
workers over in hard times.

And after a lifetime of hard work, we believe that a
person should have a secure and happy old age. The party
^{fought against Republican opposition to}
that, enacted Social Security, ^{minimum} wage, Medicaid and
and Medicare is still ~~at it~~.
^{protecting and improving these programs.}

Democrats believe that government can, and must, be
effective and competent. Unlike Republicans, we do not want
government to shrink up and retreat. We want it to work,
so it can help people.

There is no greater betrayal of hard-working Democrats

than waste, fraud, or mismanagement of government. There is no greater betrayal of the poor, the elderly, and the disadvantaged -- people whose last refuge, whose last and only hope is government.

No Party and no political philosophy has more at stake in this effort to manage government better. Jimmy inherited a \$66 billion budget deficit, and as you know he and the Democratic Congress have slashed it 60% already, Democrats believe in peace,^{and} Especially after our nation's longest, most divisive war in history, ~~For the first time in~~ ~~[we have hungered for the~~ 56 years we have a President who can report to the nation ~~time when we no longer send our young people off to die in [a~~ ~~that not a single American has died in combat.~~ foreign war.

[That has not happened while Jimmy has been in office, ^{for} and he is the, first President in 56 years who can claim that.

That peace is, and must be, based on strength. Our nation has never been stronger. We know fully that wars

begin only when an aggressor believes his adversaries are weak and vulnerable.

Peace is based on ^{calm} restraint and deliberation, to avoid [the] foreign adventures which can waste precious human lives, even when to do so would be popular and expedient. I know ^{this} ~~that~~ is uppermost in Jimmy's mind as he faces the crisis in Iran.

Peace is also based on our shared values, including freedom, self-determination, and human rights. As we found out, a nation cannot have one set of values for domestic life, and another for its foreign policy. Our dealings with others must be based on our own fundamental beliefs, and for the first time in years, we are doing that.

Finally, the Democratic Party believes in the future, and in change -- not change for its own sake -- but as a dynamic

force we can harness for human progress. We have constantly experimented and tried new ideas. We are doing that today in confronting inflation and energy problems.

We know that today's problems are not permanent. We know that the only limits are in the realism and imagination and courage we apply to solving new problems. We know the limitless possibilities ahead if we confront our problems realistically and decisively.

As President John Kennedy said, "Change is the law of life -- and those who look only to the past or the present are certain to miss the future."

The beliefs that I have outlined form the tradition of the Democratic Party. It is a tradition come to life again. Democrats are again leading the country. And the nation ^{'s} [will be] better for it.

The problems we face today can be a barrier to a bright future only if we ignore those problems or try just the easy solutions. We must face them together.

The President

It will not be easy. ~~Jimmy~~, faces an uphill election struggle to continue the work of the Democratic Party. For three years, he has had every action taken apart and compared to an abstract standard of perfection. He has ^{often} stood alone, while others have criticized from [stood on] the sidelines.

But now that his opponents have declared, they will have to meet high standards -- standards which Jimmy has ^tme and carried out for nearly three years.

I believe that you will agree that there is no comparison!

The President,

For ~~Jimmy~~, let me thank you for your loyalty and support.

Thank you for standing by him and your Party. You have made

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[the] lonely job [of President] a lot less lonely for him, and
I am deeply grateful.

Let's win in 1980! And keep working to make this great
country of ours even greater.

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NOVEMBER 16, 1979

Office of the First Lady's Press Secretary

TRIP OF THE FIRST LADY TO
ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA

NOVEMBER 17, 1979

All times are local

Saturday, November 17, 1979

1:55 pm THE FIRST LADY DEPARTS ANDREWS AFB ENROUTE ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA

4:30 pm THE FIRST LADY ARRIVES ST. PETERSBURG/CLEARWATER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA

Open Press Coverage ✓

4:35 pm THE FIRST LADY DEPARTS ST. PETERSBURG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ENROUTE BAYFRONT CENTER

5:00 pm THE FIRST LADY ARRIVES BAYFRONT CENTER FOR FLORIDA DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

Open Press Coverage ✓

PROGRAM COMMENCES

Remarks by State Chairman Alfredo Duran

FIRST LADY REMARKS

5:25 pm THE FIRST LADY DEPARTS BAYFRONT CENTER ENROUTE BAYFRONT TOWERS

5:30 pm THE FIRST LADY ARRIVES BAYFRONT TOWERS FOR RECEPTION WITH PINELLAS COUNTY DEMOCRATIC DELEGATES AND COMMITTEE

No Press Coverage

6:15 pm THE FIRST LADY DEPARTS BAYFRONT TOWERS ENROUTE BAYFRONT TOWERS CONCOURSE HOTEL

6:20 pm THE FIRST LADY ARRIVES BAYFRONT TOWERS CONCOURSE HOTEL, NORTH GRAND BALLROOM FOR RECEPTION WITH FLORIDA DEMOCRATIC ENDOWMENT MEMBERSHIP

Press Pool Coverage ✓

PROGRAM COMMENCES

Remarks by Alfredo Duran

FIRST LADY REMARKS

6:30 pm THE FIRST LADY DEPARTS GRAND BALLROOM ENROUTE SUITE FOR PERSONAL/STAFF TIME

8:55 pm THE FIRST LADY DEPARTS BAYFRONT CONSOURSE HOTEL ENROUTE BAYFRONT CENTER

9:00 pm THE FIRST LADY ARRIVES BAYFRONT CENTER FOR PRESIDENTIAL DINNER

Open Press Coverage ✓

PROGRAM COMMENCES

Remarks by Governor Bob Graham

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9:30 pm THE FIRST LADY DEPARTS BAYFRONT CENTER ENROUTE ST. PETERSBURG/
CLEARWATER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT,

9:50 pm THE FIRST LADY ARRIVES ST. PETERSBURG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT,
BOARDS AIRCRAFT AND DEPARTS ENROUTE ANDREWS AFB

11:55 pm THE FIRST LADY ARRIVES ANDREWS AFB

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TRIP OF MRS. CARTER TO
ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA

NOVEMBER 17, 1979

Saturday, November 17, 1979

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1:55 pm

Mrs. Carter departs South Grounds, The
White House en route Andrews AFB

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Sec. Ray Marshall

2:25 pm

Mrs. Carter departs Andrews AFB en route
St. Petersburg, Florida

(Flying time: 2 hours 5 minutes)
(No Time Change)

Guests on Board: Sec. Marshall
Walter Moore
Cong. Wm. Lehman
Frank Greer

4:30 pm

Mrs. Carter arrives St. Petersburg/
Clearwater International Airport, Largo,
Florida and is met by:

~~Governor & Mrs. Robert (Adele) Graham~~
~~Mayor Corinne Freeman of St. Petersburg (R)~~
~~Ms. Nathalie Gray, Vice Chair, Florida~~
~~Democratic Party~~
~~Mayor Maurice Ferre of Miami~~
~~Mayor Jake Godbold of Jacksonville~~
~~Dan Miller, President, Fla. AFL-CIO~~
~~Tom Fitzpatrick, President Fla. AFSCME~~
~~John Myrick, Political Action Chairman,~~
~~Fla. Teachers Assoc.~~
~~Donald Resha, regional rep., AFL-CIO~~
~~Joseph Martin, President, Building Trades~~
~~Council~~

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Mr. & Mrs. Anthony (Linda) Estevez,
early Carter
Mr. & Mrs. Albert (Phyllis) Miller, early
Carter (Mrs. Nat'l Committeewoman)
Greg Duckett, early Carter
Ed Holt, early Carter

CLOSED ARRIVAL

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

GUEST & STAFF INSTRUCTIONS:
Proceed to motorcade for
boarding as follows:

Lead	S. Douglas
Limo	Mrs. Carter Gov. Graham Mrs. Graham Mayor Ferre Mrs. Gray
Follow-up	
Control	M. Hoyt M. MacBeath M. A. Fackelman
VIP 1	Cong. Lehman Sec. Marshall Mr. Walter Moore
VIP VANS	Mr. Frank Greer Mayor Godbold and other airport greeters

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4:35 pm Mrs. Carter boards motorcade and departs
St. Petersburg/Clearwater Int. Airport
en route Bayfront Center, St. Petersburg

4:50 pm Mrs. Carter arrives Bayfront Center

GUEST & STAFF INSTRUCTIONS:

Guests & Staff will be
escorted to their seats in
the Auditorium

Mrs. Carter proceeds to Holding Room

4:53 pm Mrs. Carter arrives Holding Room

4:58 pm Mrs. Carter departs Holding Room en route
off-stage announcement area

4:59 pm Mrs. Carter arrives off-stage announcement
area and pauses for announcement

5:00 pm Mrs. Carter enters Auditorium for Florida
Democratic Convention and proceeds to
stage, greeting delegates along the way

(Attendance: 1700)

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

LIVE LOCAL TV

5:03 pm Mrs. Carter arrives stage and takes seat

Program begins:

Welcome & Introduction
of MRS. CARTER

State Chairman
Alfredo Duran

5:05 pm MRS. CARTER REMARKS

5:15 pm Program concludes

Mrs. Carter departs stage, greeting
delegates, en route Auditorium exit

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5:20 pm Mrs. Carter, accompanied by Governor &
Mrs. Graham, departs Florida Democratic
Convention en route motorcade

5:21 pm Mrs. Carter boards motorcade and departs
Bayfront Center en route Bayfront Towers

LIMO Gov. & Mrs. Graham

5:23 pm Mrs. Carter arrives Bayfront Towers and
is met by:

Mr. Raleigh Green, C/M National
Finance Committee

Mr. Pat McElroy, Pinellas County
Democratic Chair

Mrs. Carter enters Reception with the
Pinellas County Democratic Party Donors

(Attendance: 150)

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Mrs. Carter proceeds to greet guests in
Receiving Line with Gov. & Mrs. Graham

(Note: No Remarks, but podium with
microphone available)

5:45 pm Receiving line concludes

NOTE: MRS. CARTER MAY MINGLE WITH
GUESTS OR PROCEED TO SUITE AT THIS
TIME. IF MRS. CARTER GOES TO SUITE,
THEN DEPARTURE FROM SUITE IS 6:15 pm

6:15 pm Mrs. Carter departs Bayfront Towers
Reception en route motorcade

6:16 pm Mrs. Carter boards motorcade and departs
Bayfront Towers en route Bayfront
Concourse Hotel

LIMO Gov. & Mrs. Graham

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6:18 pm

Mrs. Carter arrives Bayfront Concourse Hotel and proceeds to North Grand Ballroom

Mrs. Carter arrives North Grand Ballroom for Reception with Florida Democratic Endowment Membership and proceeds to stage area

(Attendance: 250)

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

(Note: Also on stage: Gov. & Mrs. Graham
Secretary Marshall
State Chm. A. Duran

6:19 pm

Program begins:

Welcome & Introduction
of VIPs

Alfredo Duran

Introduction of
MRS. CARTER

Alfredo Duran

MRS. CARTER REMARKS

6:25 pm

Program concludes

Mrs. Carter, accompanied by Gov. & Mrs. Graham, greets guests in Receiving Line

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

6:55 pm

Receiving Line Concludes

Mrs. Carter departs North Grand Ballroom en route suite

7:00 pm

Mrs. Carter arrives suite

PERSONAL/STAFF TIME: 1 hour 35 minutes

DINNER IN SUITE

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7:05 - 7:10 pm Mrs. Carter greets Tom Rivers with children Stevie and Brooke and foreign exchange student, Christian Sivander, in suite

8:40 pm Mrs. Carter departs suite en route motorcade

8:43 pm Mrs. Carter boards motorcade and departs Bayfront Concourse Hotel en route Bayfront Center

LIMO M. MacBean

8:44 pm Mrs. Carter arrives Bayfront Center and proceeds to off-stage announcement area

8:45 pm Mrs. Carter pauses for announcement

8:46 pm Mrs. Carter enters Bayfront Center Arena for Presidential Dinner and proceeds to greet guests en route Head Table

(Attendance: 1500)

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

9:00 pm Mrs. Carter arrives Head Table and greets each Head Table guest

(Note: Head Table list - See Briefing Book)

9:02 pm Mrs. Carter takes seat at Head Table

9:03 pm Program begins:

Introduction of
Gov. Graham

National Committeeman
T. Wayne Bailey

Remarks & Introduction
of MRS. CARTER

Gov. Graham

9:10 pm MRS. CARTER REMARKS

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9:10 pm MRS. CARTER REMARKS

9:25 pm Program concludes

Mrs. Carter departs stage, greeting
front row guests, en route motorcade

GUEST & STAFF INSTRUCTIONS:
Proceed to motorcade for
boarding as follows:

Lead	S. Douglas
Limo	Mrs. Carter <u>Mrs. Hazel Talley</u> Evans
Follow-up	
Control	M. MacBean M. A. Fackelman
VIP 1	Sec. Marshall Mr. F. Greer
ID	
Spare	
Tail	

9:30 pm Mrs. Carter, accompanied by Mrs. Evans,
boards motorcade and departs Bayfront
Center Arena en route St. Petersburg/
Clearwater Int. Airport

9:45 pm Mrs. Carter arrives St. Petersburg/
Clearwater Int. Airport and boards
aircraft

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9:50 pm

Mrs. Carter departs Largo, Florida
en route Andrews AFB

(Flying time: 2 hours)
(No time change)

Guests on board: Sec. Marshall
Mr. Frank Greer

11:50 pm

Mrs. Carter arrives Andrews AFB

11:55 pm

Mrs. Carter departs via helicopter
en route Camp David, Thurmont, Maryland

GUEST & STAFF INSTRUCTIONS:

Staff cars will be available
to transport guests and staff
to the White House

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