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## Madison Rally Speech

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you're back in the ring. And they're all yours

OCT-12

MADISON, WI

THANK YOU, FRITZ. YOU KNOW, I THINK WE'D MAKE A GREAT TAG TEAM,

I KNOW THERE'S A UNIVERSITY DOWN ~~THE ROAD~~, AND YOU LOOK LIKE

A PRETTY SMART BUNCH TO ME. SO LET ME GET YOUR OPINION.

DID WE WIN THE DEBATE LAST NIGHT?

DID FRITZ MONDALE BEAT RONALD REAGAN ON SUNDAY?

ARE WE GOING TO WIN IN NOVEMBETR?

I THINK SO, TOO. AND THREE OUT OF THREE AIN'T BAD.

IN THE LAST WEEK, FOUR CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE  
PRESIDENT HAVE DEBATED. AND I KNOW TWO THINGS: I BEAT GEORGE

BUSH . . . AND GEORGE BUSH BEAT RONALD REAGAN.

*But I have to say, it was a close race for 4th place.*  
~~AND THAT DOESN'T SAY MUCH FOR RONALD REAGAN.~~ BECAUSE WHILE

WE WERE TALKING ABOUT THE ARMS RACE, <sup>George Bush</sup> ~~HE~~ WANTED TO TALK ABOUT THE

WORLD SERIES. I SAY TO THE MAN WHO <sup>Tried</sup> ~~DALED~~ TO LECTURE ME ABOUT THE

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LEBANON AND IRAN, THERE'S A WORLD OF

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ~~BASEBALL~~ AND THE FATE OF THE EARTH. LAST

NIGHT, WE WERE TALKING ABOUT THE ARMS RACE, BECAUSE THE AMERICAN

PEOPLE WANT TO STOP IT. AND SO DOES FRITZ MONDALE.

BUT IF GEORGE BUSH IS REALLY INTERESTED IN BASEBALL, WE'VE  
GOT A PLAN TO GIVE HIM HIS AFTERNOONS OFF FOR THE NEXT ~~FOR~~ YEARS,  
SO THAT HE CAN GO DOWN TO THE BALL PARK AND WATCH THEM PLAY.

*you know today's paper reports that*

~~I understand that~~ Sen. Laxalt said that the

President was "brutalized by a briefing process," which smothered him with facts. Since <sup>ask you</sup> when it's considered cruel and unusual punishment to expect a President to learn the facts he needs to govern.

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WHEN WE VOTE ON NOVEMBER SIXTH, WE'LL DO MORE THAN CHOOSE  
BETWEEN TWO PERSONALITIES. WE WILL CHOOSE BETWEEN TWO SETS OF  
VALUES .. / TWO PARTY TRADITIONS . / . AND TWO VISIONS OF THE  
FUTURE. /

~~WE'RE IN A FIGHT OVER THE HEART AND SOUL OF THIS COUNTRY.~~

WE ARE IN THIS ELECTION TO FIGHT FOR THE THINGS WE BELIEVE  
IN. / WALTER MONDALE HAS SAID THAT HE WOULD RATHER LOSE A FIGHT  
OVER DECENCY THAN WIN ONE OVER SELF-INTEREST. AND SO WOULD I.

ON THE BUDGET, ~~we~~ WILL NOT SHAVE SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE /  
TO PRESERVE TAX BREAKS FOR THE WEALTHY. / or for any other reason  
WE WILL KEEP FAITH WITH  
WORKING PEOPLE / AND MAKE SURE THE ELDERLY CAN LIVE IN DIGNITY. // /

WE WILL NOT EXTEND THE ARMS RACE INTO SPACE. // WE WILL CALL  
UPON THE SOVIETS TO NEGOTIATE A MUTUAL, VERIFIABLE NUCLEAR  
FREEZE. /

WE WILL NOT CONTINUE THE COVERT WAR IN NICARAGUA. / WE WILL  
ALWAYS TRY NEGOTIATION BEFORE CONFRONTATION. /

WE WILL NOT SEND A TEACHER INTO OUTER SPACE INSTEAD OF  
HELPING SCIENCE, RESEARCH, TEACHERS AND STUDENTS HERE ON EARTH. /  
WE WILL LAUNCH A NEW INVESTMENT IN EDUCATION TO MAKE THIS THE  
BEST-EDUCATED GENERATION IN AMERICAN HISTGORY. //

ON THE SUBJECT OF RELIGION AND PERSONAL FREEDOM, / WE WILL NOT  
APPEASE THE RIGHT-WING IN THIS COUNTRY / BY GIVING UP OUR  
PROTECTION FROM GOVERNMENT INTRUSION. // WE BELIEVE IN A GOVERNMENT  
THAT STAYS OUT OF OUR HOMES, OUT OF OUR CHURCHES / AND OUT OF OUR  
SYNAGOGUES. //

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OUR STAND ON THE ISSUES COMES FROM THE VALUES WE ALL SHARE AS AMERICANS. I GREW UP IN QUEENS. WALTER MONDALE GREW UP HALF A CONTINENT AWAY IN MINNESOTA. BUT WE LEARNED THE SAME VALUES, AND THEY'RE THE ONES YOU BELIEVE IN HERE IN MADISON. WE BELIEVE THAT HARD WORK SHOULD BE REWARDED, THAT EDUCATION UNLOCKS THE DOORS TO OPPORTUNITY, AND THAT GOVERNMENT SHOULD STAND READY TO HELP THOSE WHO NEED A HAND.

WE BELIEVE THE UNITED STATES SHOULD BE STRONG, BUT AS FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT SAID, WE DON'T HAVE TO BE CRUEL TO BE TOUGH. WE BELIEVE IN THE CAUSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS NOT ONLY IN POLAND, BUT ALSO IN SOUTH AFRICA.

WE BELIEVE IN JUSTICE. TO MAKE THAT POSSIBLE, WE BELIEVE IN ENDING DISCRIMINATION SO THAT ALL AMERICANS CAN RISE AS HIGH AS OUR TALENTS WILL TAKE US.

AND THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF ELANOR ROOSEVELT'S BIRTH IS AN APPROPRIATE TIME TO REMEMBER THAT WOMEN IN THIS SOCIETY STILL DON'T HAVE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY.

I WANT TO CHANGE THAT. WHEN I TAKE THE OATH OF OFFICE FOR MY SECOND TERM AS VICE PRESIDENT, I WANT TO SWEAR TO UPHOLD A CONSTITUTION THAT INCLUDES THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT.

RONALD REAGAN WENT TO THE OLYMPICS TO CONGRATULATE OUR ATHELETES, INCLUDING MANY OUTSTANDING FEMALE ATHELETES. BUT HIS JUSTICE DEPARTMENT SIDED WITH THOSE WHO WOULD DISCRIMINATE AGAINST WOMEN IN THE GROVE CITY CASE *in the Grove City case*

I, TOO, CONGRATULATE OUR OLYMPIC ATHELETES. BUT THEY NEED MORE THAN A PATRONIZING PAT ON THE BACK AFTER THEY'VE CROSSED THE FINISH LINE. I WANT TO HELP THEM GET TO THE STARTING BLOCK BY OUTLAWING DISCRIMINATION IN ALL FEDERALLY FUNDED INSTITUTIONS.

~~TO CHEER TO UPHOLD A CONSTITUTION THAT INCLUDES THE EQUAL RIGHTS  
AMENDMENT~~

IT TAKES A LEADER TO UNDERSTAND THOSE VALUES, AND TO GOVERN BY THEM. TO CALL FORTH WHAT IS BEST IN THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, IT TAKES A LEADER WHO CAN TOUCH, IN THE WORDS OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN, 'THE BETTER ANGELS OF OUR NATURE.'

THROUGHOUT HIS LIFE, WALTER MONDALE HAS DEMONSTRATED THOSE QUALITIES. WHEN HE WAS A SENATOR, HE LED THE FIGHT FOR EXPANDED DAY CARE, CHILD NUTRITION, AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS. ~~HE TRAVELLED RURAL AMERICA, INVESTIGATING AND PRAXATIZING THE PROBLEMS OF MIGRANT WORKERS. HE WROTE THE FAIR HOUSING ACT OF 1968.~~ HE WAS THE LEADER IN CONGRESS FOR ESTABLISHING A STRONG AND INDEPENDENT LEGAL SERVICES PROGRAM FOR THE POOR. *And as Vice President he championed the cause of the Boat People.*

EACH TIME, FRITZ MONDALE STOOD FOR WHAT WAS RIGHT, NOT WHAT WAS EASY. CHILDREN CAST NO VOTES. ~~MIGRANT WORKERS ARE NOT A~~ *powerful* ~~CONSTITUENCY.~~ THE POOR ARE NOT POWERFUL.

BUT EACH HAD A WRONG THAT DESERVED TO BE RIGHTED, AND FRITZ MONDALE WAS THERE TO LEAD THE CAUSE. EVERY NOW AND THEN A LEADER MUST SWIM AGAINST THE TIDE TO BE TRUE TO HIS BELIEFS. EVERY NOW AND THEN, A LEADER MUST REMIND US NOT ONLY WHAT IS GREAT IN AMERICA, BUT THAT WE CAN BE EVEN GREATER. FRITZ MONDALE IS THAT

KIND OF LEADER.

WALTER MONDALE HAS ALSO HAD THE VISION TO UNDERSTAND THAT THE ARMS RACE MUST BE CONTROLLED. / IN 1969, HE WAS ONE OF A HANDFUL OF SENATORS / WHO OPPOSED PUTTING MULTIPLE WARHEADS ON OUR MISSILES BECAUSE HE SAID THE SOVIETS WOULD CATCH UP AND DO THE SAME THING. / IF WE HAD LISTENED TO WALTER MONDALE THEN, / WE WOULD BE SAFER TODAY. //

FRITZ MONDALE HAS FOUGHT FOR ARMS CONTROL FOR AS LONG AS RONALD REAGAN HAS OPPOSED IT. / WE WANT A LEADER WHO NOT ONLY KNOWS HOW TO STAND UP TO THE SOVIETS, / BUT HOW TO SIT DOWN WITH THEM AS WELL. //

NAME THE LAST TIME RONALD REAGAN TOOK THE LEAD ON AN ISSUE IN ADVANCE OF HIS TIME. / A LEADER MUST // NAME THE LAST TIME PRESIDENT REAGAN TOOK A CHANCE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE. / WALTER MONDALE HAS. / TIME AND AGAIN, HE HAS PUT HIS CAREER ON THE LINE TO SECURE THE RIGHTS OF OTHERS.

AND THE MOST RECENT CHANCE HE TOOK WAS TO SELECT ME TO BE HIS VICE PRESIDENT. EVERYONE TALKS ABOUT EQUAL OPPORTUNITY. ONLY A FEW STAND UP FOR IT. / WHEN I BECOME AMERICA'S FIRST FEMALE VICE PRESIDENT, WE CAN THANK WALTER MONDALE. /

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FOR THAT DAY TO COME, YOU HAVE TO GET TO WORK.  
NONE OF US CAN FORGET THAT WE'RE IN A FIGHT OVER THE HEART AND  
SOUL OF THIS COUNTRY.

THIS IS A BRAND NEW RACE. IT'S GETTING HOT AND THEY'RE  
FEELING THE HEAT. IT'S GETTING CLOSE, AND THEY'RE GETTING  
WORRIED.

~~LET'S KEEP IT UP, AND WE WILL WIN.~~

FOR OUR COUNTRY, FOR OUR FUTURE, FOR THE PRINCIPLES WE BELIEVE  
IN, WALTER MONDALE AND I HAVE JUST BEGUN TO FIGHT.

END.