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WASHINGTON, D.C.--The following is a statement issued by Senator Bob Dole following the swearing in of President Gerald Ford.

"Any man who assumed the Presidency under these circumstances would deserve the unified support of all Americans. Gerald Ford assumed it with grace and humility and with a promise to try to heal the wounds Watergate has caused, and deal with the problems that have gone too long without solution.

"His words today were healing words, and he showed that he deserves a special commitment of active support and prayerful cooperation from all of us.

"Democrats, Republicans, Independents, we are all Americans and the challenges that face Gerald Ford, face us all. We must offer him the help he needs and has asked for."