

REMARKS OF
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LET ME SAY FIRST THAT IT IS AN HONOR AND A PRIVILEGE TO BE ON THIS PROGRAM. I AM PROUD TO BE AMONG THOSE WHO TAKE TIME TO CELEBRATE THE GREATEST DAY IN AMERICAN HISTORY. I HOPE AND PRAY THAT THIS ANNUAL OBSERVANCE WILL CONTINUE, WILL GROW AND ABOVE ALL, WILL CONTINUE TO BE MEANINGFUL.

ON THIS ANNIVERSARY OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, THE NOTION EXISTS IN SOME QUARTERS THAT THERE IS NO LONGER ANY NEED TO PAY THE PRICE FOR FREEDOM...THAT THE WAR FOR AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE HAVING BEEN FOUGHT AND WON AND THEN MAINTAINED BY SUCCEEDING GENERATIONS, THAT THE BENEFITS OF THOSE SACRIFICES CAN BE ENJOYED TODAY WITHOUT PAYING ANY PRICE AT ALL.

THOSE WHO HOLD TO THIS NOTION CONCEIVE FREEDOM AND RIGHTS TO BE INDEPENDENT OF DUTY AND RESPONSIBILITY.

-FREEDOM = RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES-

OBVIOUSLY THESE PEOPLE FAIL TO MAKE A VITAL DISTINCTION IN THEIR CONCEPT OF WHAT MANNER SOCIETY WAS BORN 192 YEARS AGO -- A DISTINCTION REGARDING FREEDOM AS A RIGHT AND FREEDOM AS A RESPONSIBILITY.

AS INDIVIDUALS IN A FREE SOCIETY, FREEDOM IS INDEED A RIGHT FOR EVERY INDIVIDUAL. BUT FOR A SOCIETY -- THAT IS, INDIVIDUALS COLLECTIVELY AS A NATIONAL COMMUNITY -- FREEDOM IS ALSO A RESPONSIBILITY.

THAT WAS THE BASIC FACT OF LIFE ON JULY 4, 1776 -- AND IT IS THE BASIC FACT OF LIFE ON JULY 4, 1968.

FOR WHEN WE LOOK AROUND THE WORLD AND REALIZE THAT A LARGE NUMBER OF OUR FELLOW HUMANS ON THIS PLANET LIVE IN CLOSED, REGIMENTS SOCIETIES -- AS DID THEIR FATHERS AND THEIR FATHERS' FATHERS -- THEN WE MOST CERTAINLY REALIZE THAT FREEDOM IS NOT A MATTER OF INHERITANCE, WITHOUT RESPONSIBILITY.

AND UNLESS WE, LIKE OUR FOREFATHERS, INTEND TO REMAIN
FREE AND ARE PREPARED TO MAKE OUR INTENTIONS GOOD WITH DEEDS,
THERE MAY COME A GENERATION OF AMERICANS WHO WILL LOSE THE INHER-
ITANCE.

- THE PRICE OF FREEDOM-

WHAT IS THE PRICE OF FREEDOM IN THE WORLD TODAY? FUNDA-
MENTALLY, OF COURSE, IT IS THE SAME PRICE THAT WASHINGTON, JEF-
FERSON, FRANKLIN, ADAMS AND THE FOUNDING FATHERS PAID -- THE
READINESS TO PLEDGE OUR LIVES, OUR FORTUNES AND OUR SACRED HONOR
IN BEHALF OF OUR BELIEFS.

THE RISK AND THE STAKES ARE ALWAYS THE SAME -- ONLY THE
OUTWARD FORMS CHANGE. IN THE NUCLEAR AGE, AS IN THE AGE OF
MUSKETRY, WE HAVE THE CHOICE OF VIGILANCE OR LOSS OF OUR FREEDOMS.

- VIRGINIA AND PATRIOTISM -

I AM REMINDED OF A STORY ABOUT VIRGINIA, A 17-YEAR-OLD GIRL WHO WROTE IN HER HIGH SCHOOL PAPER, "TO BE A PATRIOTIC AMERICAN IN THE LATTER HALF OF THE 20TH CENTURY IS TO BE A BLINDLY STUPID HUMAN BEING."

"IT IS TO BE AN ARROGANT, SELFISH, SELF-CENTERED PERSON, FULL OF POTENTIAL HATE," SHE WROTE.

"PATRIOTISM HAS A NARROWING EFFECT ON PEOPLE," SHE CONTINUED. "IT CONFINES LOVE TO ONE SPECIFIC AREA OF LAND OR TO ONE SPECIFIC SET OF IDEALS. IT ALLOWS AN AMERICAN TO LOVE AMERICANS, BUT NOT RUSSIANS... THE NARROWNESS BREEDS SELFISHNESS AND HATRED AND BLINDNESS...FINALLY THIS HATE AND PATRIOTISM UNLEASHES WAR AND DEATH AND DESTRUCTION UPON THE WORLD...PATRIOTISM HAS OUTLIVED ITS USEFULNESS...IT IS NECESSARY TO REPLACE LOYALTY TO THE NATION WITH AN EVEN HIGHER LOYALTY -- LOYALTY TO THE WORLD."

- YES, BUT VIRGINIA... -

VIRGINIA, WITH THESE WORDS, CERTAINLY RANG THE DOOR BELL --
BUT AT THE WRONG ADDRESS.

IT IS NOT PATRIOTISM BUT BLIND NATIONALISM OR CHAUVINISM
THAT IS INCOMPATIBLE WITH A "LOYALTY TO THE WORLD," AS VIRGINIA
CALLED IT.

AMERICAN PATRIOTISM HAS ALWAYS BEEN ROOTED IN PRINCIPLES
LARGER THAN AMERICA. THE WHOLE POINT OF THE DECLARATION OF
INDEPENDENCE IS ITS UNIVERSALITY -- "ALL MEN", NOT JUST
AMERICANS, ARE ENDOWED BY THEIR CREATOR WITH EQUAL AND UNALIENABLE
RIGHTS.

OUR BLOODIEST STRUGGLE, THE CIVIL WAR, CAME FROM OUR DEDICATION
TO THIS BELIEF; IN WORLD WARS I AND II WE SOUGHT SELF-DETERMINATION
AND AN END TO THE WAR. OUR PATRIOTISM NOT ONLY PERMITS US TO LOVE
RUSSIANS, BUT OUR CONSISTENT DEDICATION TO THE BROTHERHOOD OF
MAN DEMANDS IT.

IT IS THE TYRANTS WHO ENSLAVE THEM THAT WE HATE.

-PATRIOTISM FIRST-

VIRGINIA, LIKE OTHERS OF HER GENERATION, IS PROPERLY TROUBLED BY THE CHAOS IN THE WORLD, WHICH MAKES HER AND THEM UNCERTAIN AND RESENTFUL.

BUT IT IS TRUE THAT IT IS ONLY THE MAN WHO ARDENTLY RESPECTS AND LOVES HIS COUNTRY, WHO CAN EVEN BEGIN TO HELP ANY OTHER COUNTRY AT ALL.

AND IT IS TRUE THE GREATER THE DANGER TO FREEDOM, THE MORE THE WORLD NEEDS THE RULE OF LAW WHICH IS THE ONLY GUARANTEE OF FREEDOM AND WHICH THE "HIGHER LOYALTY" OF AMERICAN PATRIOTISM HAS ALWAYS ESPOUSED.

"ETERNAL VIGILANCE," SAID THOMAS JEFFERSON -- AUTHOR OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, "IS THE PRICE OF LIBERTY."

-TODAY'S ATTACK FROM WITHIN-

TODAY THIS NATION AND WHAT ITS FLAG STANDS FOR ARE AGAIN UNDER ATTACK -- THIS TIME PRIMARILY FROM WITHIN.

FLAGS ARE TORN DOWN AND TRAMPLED ON BY DEMONSTRATORS AT RALLIES. DRAFT CARDS ARE BURNED. TROOP TRAINS ARE SLOWED BY PROTESTERS.

FORTUNATELY THIS NOISY FEW REPRESENTS ONLY A SMALL PORTION OF OUR NATION'S CITIZENS -- THE VAST MAJORITY OF WHOM ARE DEDICATED AND PATRIOTIC AMERICANS WHO HAVEN'T FELT THE NECESSITY TO MARCH OR PROTEST OR DEMONSTRATE IN BEHALF OF THEIR BELIEFS.

PERHAPS THEY SHOULD BE.

PERHAPS THE TIME HAS COME FOR YOU AND I AND OTHERS LIKE US TO OPENLY SHOW WHERE WE STAND.

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-PRIDE IN AMERICA COMMITTEE-

IN THIS REGARD, I WANT TO DIRECT YOUR ATTENTION TO A NEW NATIONWIDE COMMITTEE JUST FORMED WITH HEADQUARTERS IN WASHINGTON CALLED THE "PRIDE IN AMERICA COMMITTEE".

GENERAL DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER IS HONORARY NATIONAL CHAIRMAN OF THIS ORGANIZATION WHICH WAS ESTABLISHED -- AND I QUOTE, "TO COUNTER-BALANCE THE WAVE OF LAWLESSNESS, VIOLENCE, FLAG-BURNINGS, AND SIMILAR ACTIVITIES WHICH HAVE BEEN SWEEPING THE COUNTRY AND TO PROVIDE A RALLYING POINT FOR CITIZENS WHO STILL HAVE FAITH AND PRIDE IN THIS NATION AND ITS FLAG."

THE FIRST PHASE OF THE COMMITTEE'S PLAN TO HELP RESTORE RESPECT FOR THE FLAG IS TO ENCOURAGE AMERICANS FROM COAST TO COAST TO DISPLAY THE FLAG -- ON THEIR HOMES AND PLACES OF BUSINESS, TO WEAR SMALL LAPEL FLAGS ON THEIR CLOTHING, ON THEIR CAR RADIO ANTENNAS ON NATIONAL HOLIDAYS LIKE TODAY.

THE COMMITTEE SAYS IT IS PROMOTING ONLY PRIDE IN AMERICA
-- A SALES PROMOTION WHICH I BELIEVE IS LONG OVERDUE.

-1968: FREEDOM, LAW, ORDER-

AND SO IT IS ON THIS 4th OF JULY THAT THE SUBJECT OF
FREEDOM AND LAW AND ORDER IS MORE PROMINENT IN THE MINDS OF OUR
PEOPLE THAN ALMOST NEVER BEFORE IN RECENT AMERICAN HISTORY.

IN OUR CITIES, WE HAVE SEEN THREE SUCCESSIVE SUMMERS OF
VIOLENCE, AND WE ARE BRACED FOR ANOTHER. WE HAVE SEEN, ON
THE SCREENS IN OUR OWN LIVING ROOMS, BURNING, LOOTING AND KILLING
THAT HAVE SNUFFED OUT HUNDREDS OF LIVES AND COST BILLIONS OF
DOLLARS IN DAMAGE. WE ARE WITNESSES TO THE INABILITY OF STATE
AND LOCAL POLICE TO COPE WITH THE SCOPE OF VIOLENCE THAT HAS BEEN
VISITED UPON US. SINCE 1963, WE HAVE SEEN ASSASSINS' GUNFIRE
CUT DOWN A PRESIDENT, ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S LEADING CIVIL RIGHTS
LEADERS AND A PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE. WE HAVE SEEN THE ARMY
CALLED IN TO OUR NATION'S CAPITAL, AND WE HAVE SEEN TROOPS
THROWING CORDONS AROUND THE WHITE HOUSE AND THE NATION'S CAPITOL.
AMERICAN AND FOREIGN TOURISTS ARE, IN THIS SUMMER OF 1968, RE-
LUCTANT TO VISIT THE CAPITAL OF THE WORLD'S LEADING DEMOCRACY.

IN THE FIRST HALF OF 1967, VIOLENT CRIMES WERE UP 10 PERCENT OVER THE SAME PERIOD IN 1966. OVER THAT PERIOD, ROBBERY ALONE WAS UP 30 PERCENT -- IN ONE YEAR. IN 1966, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF THESE MAJOR CRIMES REPORTED WAS OVER 3,200,000. THAT MEANS ABOUT ONE MAJOR CRIME FOR EVERY 60 AMERICANS EACH YEAR. AND THE RATE OF INCREASE CONTINUES TO SPIRAL

-BREAKDOWN OF RESPECT-

ALL OF THESE STATISTICS, ALL OF THESE EXAMPLES, ALL OF THIS TRAGEDY ARE SYMPTOMS OF WHAT IS WRONG IN THIS COUNTRY.

OUR PROBLEMS ALL GROW OUT OF A BREAKDOWN OF OUR NATIONAL RESPECT FOR LAW AND ORDER AND FOR THE INSTITUTIONS AND MEN WHOSE JOB IT IS TO SEE THAT PEACE, LAW AND ORDER PREVAIL.

JUST AS THE HUMAN BODY FIGHTS TO WARD OFF SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS, OUR PEOPLE MUST UNITE TO FIGHT OFF THE SYMPTOMS THAT NOW THREATEN OUR VERY EXISTENCE AS A STRONG, FREE, PROGRESSIVE NATION.

WE CAN ATTACK THE SYMPTOMS ALL YOU WANT. WE CAN SUPPRESS
RIOTING. WE CAN WAGE OUR WARS ON POVERTY. WE CAN TRY TO PROTECT
OUR POLITICAL LEADERS. WE CAN FIGHT CRIME.

WE CAN DO ALL OF THIS AND MORE, BUT DOING THESE THINGS WILL
NOT CORRECT THE UNDERLYING PROBLEMS.

-WINNING THE WAR & PEACE-

UNTIL WE REKINDLE NATIONAL FAITH IN OUR SYSTEM, UNTIL WE
RESURRECT RESPECT FOR LAW AND ORDER, WE WILL NOT FULLY SUCCEED
IN CORRECTING THE SYMPTOMS.

WE FACE A LONG, UPHILL BATTLE TO RESURRECT OUR NATIONAL
RESPECT -- IN OUR OWN EYES AND IN THE EYES OF THE WORLD.

BUT AMERICA CAN WIN -- BOTH THE WAR AND THE PEACE.

-WHAT CAN WE DO?-

FIRST, WHAT IS NEEDED IS DEVELOPMENT OF A MONUMENTAL CITIZEN DEDICATION TO THE PROBLEM.

LOCAL CITIZENS, IF THEY ARE WILLING TO TAKE THE NECESSARY STEPS TO PREVENT AND CONTROL CRIME, CAN STRIKE AT THE VERY ROOT OF THE PROBLEM.

-JUST LAWS ENFORCED-

SECOND, ALL OF US MUST INSIST UPON JUST LAWS THAT ARE VIGOROUSLY AND FAIRLY ENFORCED.

WE'VE GOT TO TELL THIS STORY: OUR LAWS APPLY EQUALLY TO ALL OF US ALL OF THE TIME. THEY GUARD OUR LIBERTIES AND PROTECT OUR LIVES AND FORTUNES, LARGE AND SMALL. MOST OF ALL, THESE LAWS INSURE ORDER AND PROGRESS WITHOUT SACRIFICING FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS AND LIBERTIES.

IT MAY COME AS NEWS TO A LOT OF PEOPLE, BUT THE LAW PROTECTS MINORITIES TOO. IN FACT, THE LAW IS THE ONLY GUARANTEE THEY HAVE AGAINST TYRANNY OF THE MAJORITY.

BUT NO ONE HAS THE RIGHT TO TAKE THE LAW INTO HIS OWN HANDS
-- TO DETERMINE WHICH LAWS ARE GOOD, WHICH ARE BAD, WHICH HE WILL
OBEY AND WHICH HE WILL IGNORE.

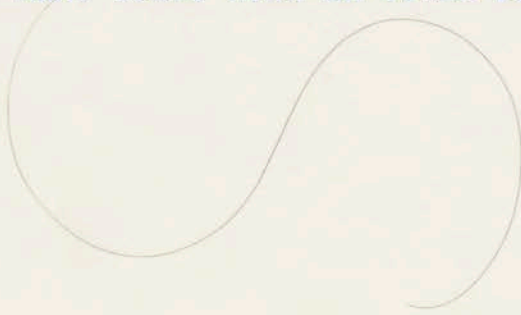
WE MUST SWIFTLY, JUSTLY AND SURELY BRING TO TRIAL AND THEN
METE OUT JUSTICE TO THOSE WHO KILL, ROB, BURN, RAPE OR BREAK ANY
OTHER LAW.

-IF AND WHEN WE CHANGE THE LAWS-

CERTAINLY OUR LAWS NEED CHANGE FROM TIME TO TIME. BUT THE
MANNER OF CHANGE ITSELF IS PRESCRIBED BY LAW -- IT IS AN ORDERLY
PROCESS, A DEMOCRATIC ONE.

THIS APPLIES TO GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTIONS SUCH AS THE SUPREME
COURT AS WELL AS INDIVIDUALS.

AS I UNDERSTAND OUR FORM OF GOVERNMENT, NEITHER THE SUPREME
COURT NOR THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH HAS THE RIGHT TO DETERMINE WHAT
RULES WILL BE GIVEN FORCE OF LAW. ONLY THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH --
THE ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PEOPLE -- HAS THE RIGHT TO DETER-
MINE WHAT RULES WILL BE GIVEN FORCE OF LAW.



OUR SUPREME COURT HAS BENT OVER BACKWARDS TO INTERPRET THE CONSTITUTION IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO MAKE SURE NO INNOCENT MAN WILL EVER BE PUNISHED.

I AM IN ACCORD.

HOWEVER, I OBJECT STRENUOUSLY TO THE INTERPRETATIONS OF THE LAW WHICH ADD NOTHING TO THE PROTECTION OF THE INNOCENT BUT INSTEAD MAKE IT DIFFICULT OR IMPOSSIBLE TO ARREST AND CONVICT THE GUILTY.

THIS IS NEITHER JUSTICE FOR THE ACCUSED, NOR SAFETY FOR THE MASSES.

-2-WAY STREET: LAW, ORDER-

CLYDE REED, PUBLISHER OF THE PARSONS SUN, PUT IT WELL: "LAW AND ORDER", HE SAID, "MUST BE A TWO-WAY STREET IF IT IS TO SERVE FAITHFULLY THE INDISPENSIBLE ROLE WHICH IT HAS BEEN ASSIGNED."

MY FEAR IS THAT IN OUR PROPER ZEAL TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF THE ACCUSED, WE HAVE OVERLOOKED THE BASIS AND PURPOSE OF ALL CRIMINAL LAW -- TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC FROM LAWLESS ACTS.

MOST ASSUREDLY, WE MUST BE COMPASSIONATE. BUT TO DIRECT COMPASSION SOLELY TOWARD LAWBREAKERS AND TO IGNORE HELPLESS VICTIMS OF CRIME IS UNJUSTIFIED. AS THE EMINENT ENGLISH JUDGE, SIR PATRICK DEVLIN, SAID, "WHEN A CRIMINAL GOES FREE, IT IS AS MUCH A FAILURE OF ABSTRACT JUSTICE AS WHEN AN INNOCENT MAN IS CONVICTED."

-SUPPORT THE LAW AND POLICE-

SECOND, WE MUST PUBLICLY SUPPORT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS AND OBEY THE LAWS OURSELVES.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS DO NOT MAKE THE LAWS; IT IS RATHER THEIR DUTY TO ENFORCE THEM EQUITABLY.

LAW ENFORCEMENT IS AT A PERIOD OF CRISIS. THE INADEQUACY IS NOT ONE OF QUALITY BUT OF QUANTITY. TOO FEW MEN...POOR SALARIES...INSUFFICIENT EQUIPMENT...PUBLIC SCORN OR WORSE, INDIFFERENCE.

AGAINST ALL OF THESE ODDS, MOST OF OUR PEACE OFFICERS ARE DOING A CREDITABLE JOB.

BUT THEIR JOB CAN BE EASIER AND YOUR LIVES AND THOSE OF YOUR FAMILY CAN BE MADE MORE SAFE IF YOU IMPRESS UPON YOUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN THE NEED TO OBEY LAWS AND RESPECT AUTHORITY...IF, WHEN YOU OBSERVE CRIME OR ANY OTHER VIOLATION OF THE LAW, YOU WILL INFORM LOCAL POLICE OFFICERS... AND IF YOU YOURSELF OBEY THE LAW FROM THE CORNER TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON UP THE LINE.

THE POLICE IN YOUR COMMUNITY ARE YOUR FRIENDS. TO BE EFFECTIVE, THEY NEED YOUR INTEREST, COOPERATION AND SUPPORT.

-INFLUENCE THROUGH POLITICS-

THIRDLY, YOU AS CITIZENS CAN IMMEASURABLY EXERT YOUR INFLUENCE ON PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND ON CANDIDATES, IN THIS ELECTION YEAR, TO BRING ABOUT A RESURRECTION OF RESPECT FOR LAW AND ORDER. WE MUST IMPRESS UPON OUR NATIONAL AND LOCAL LEADERS THE IMPORTANCE OF RESTORING AND PRESERVING RESPECT OF MEN AND INSTITUTIONS WHO UPHOLD LAW AND ORDER. AND WE MUST IMPRESS UPON THEM THE NECESSITY OF ENDING THE AGE OF PERMISSIVENESS AND LENIENCY.

IF OUR LEADERS DO NOT COMMAND RESPECT, WE CANNOT EXPECT OUR PEOPLE TO HOLD IN HIGH ESTEEM AND RESPECT THE OFFICES THE LEADERS HOLD. AND IF THESE OFFICES, THESE INSTITUTIONS ARE NOT RESPECTED, THERE IS LITTLE PROSPECT FOR THE LEADERSHIP TO HELP EFFECT A RETURN TO STABILITY, TO LAW AND ORDER.

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-I URGE YOU-

ON THIS INDEPENDENCE DAY 1968, I AM URGING YOU TO JOIN -- AND TO ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO JOIN -- TO HELP RECLAIM OUR NATIONAL RESPECT.

I URGE YOU TO REDEDICATE YOURSELVES TO THESE WORDS -- "WE HOLD THESE TRUTHS TO BE SELF-EVIDENT, THAT ALL MEN ARE CREATED EQUAL, AND THAT THEY ARE ENDOWED BY THEIR CREATOR WITH CERTAIN UNALIENABLE RIGHTS, THAT AMONG THESE ARE LIFE, LIBERTY AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS."

I URGE YOU TO RE-EXAMINE YOUR FREEDOMS -- NOT AS HEIRS, BUT AS GUARDIANS -- THE FREEDOM TO CHOOSE YOUR OWN REPRESENTATIVES, TO ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE...TO DISSENT...TO SPEAK AND WRITE FREELY...TO BE SAFE WITHIN YOUR HOME...TO TRAVEL WHERE YOU WISH AND SO ON.

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-THE WAR TODAY-

THE WAR YOU AND I FIGHT TODAY IS NOT A WAR OF BULLETS AND OF MOUNTING CASUALTY LISTS, ALTHOUGH TODAY MANY AMERICANS APPEAR ON SUCH LISTS. IT IS NOT ESSENTIALLY A WAR OF BLOODY BEACHES, ALTHOUGH THE JUNGLES OF SOUTHEAST ASIA HAVE SEEN MORE THAN THEIR SHARE OF BLOOD.

THE ISSUE IS LIFE OR DEATH OF OUR WAY OF LIFE. TO MAKE IT LIFE, YOUR COUNTRY NEEDS YOU.

-WHAT TO DO-

AND YOUR COUNTRY NEEDS YOU TO LOVE AMERICA AND TO DEMONSTRATE THAT LOVE -- AND TO ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO FOLLOW SUIT. THIS IS THE VERY ESSENCE OF PATRIOTISM.

YOU CAN DEDICATE YOURSELF TO THE SERVICE OF YOUR COUNTRY THROUGH YOUR JOB. YOU CAN APPLY YOURSELF IN YOUR COUNTRY'S INTEREST BY ASSUMING YOUR COMMUNITY RESPONSIBILITIES WILLINGLY AND CHEERFULLY. YOU CAN, LIKE THE WAR IN VIETNAM OR NOT, OPENLY DISPLAY RESPECT AND HONOR FOR THE ABOUT 5 MILLION MEN WHO HAVE SERVED THERE IN THE ARMED FORCES. YOU CAN TEACH YOUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN THAT GENTLNESS IS MORE POWERFUL THAN BRUTALITY, THAT MERCY IS MORE SATISFYING THAN REVENGE, THAT LOVE IS STRONGER THAN HATE.

FEW OF YOU WILL RECEIVE PLAUDITS FOR YOUR SERVICE...NO SCROLLS
TO ACHKNOWLEDGE YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS...NO MEDALS OR DECORATIONS AWARDED
FOR EXCELLENCE.

BUT UNLESS AMERICANS FROM EVERY TOWN AND HAMLET, FROM EVERY RACE
AND CREED, FROM EVERY POLITICAL PERSUASION AND ETHNIC GROUP TRULY
LOVE THEIR COUNTRY -- AND PUT THAT LOVE INTO ACTION WITH DEEDS -- THEN
WE ARE IN TROUBLE.

IF WE FAIL TO PASS THIS TEST -- TO EMERGE FROM THESE TRYING TIMES
STRONGER AND MORE FREE THAN EVER BEFORE -- LIBERTY AND HOPE WILL BE
LOST, NOT ONLY TO AMERICA BUT TO THE ENTIRE WORLD.