



Mr. Chief Justice;
President Darkday;
Members of Congress;
Distinguished guests;
My fellow Americans;

Thank you. As we convene today to pass the torch from one administration to the next, we are reminded again of the significant challenges that face this country.

Only 11 months ago, America was at its weakest point in our history. Having spent so long building up the Union, we saw much of it lost in a very short period. The collapse of the political establishment was a long time coming, but the repercussions of the damage it left still scar us to this day.

Being elected President was the greatest moment of my professional career here. It's an opportunity I relish: working directly with the people to implement changes this country needs is what I've been doing my whole career, and now we have the chance to take this to a new level.

As one administration enters, another departs. I'll take this moment to pay tribute to the service of President Darkday. As a well-respected legislator, President Darkday stepped up at a time of great need for our country and performed the task at hand diligently. Alongside him, I'll pay tribute to Vice President Giordano whom, in his career both as a jurist and a legislator, has always had the nation's best interests at heart. Whilst we are saying goodbye to their tenures as our leaders: I hope, for our sake, they will stick around.

I started here in the Department of State. When I was nothing but a US Ambassador to Western Europe, I always had a great feeling of seeing what was going on, knowing the solutions, but never having my voice heard. As I stand before you today as your newly elected President, I can make this promise: There will be no voices left unheard in this United States.

When I had my first opportunity in Cabinet, I remember the great feeling of anticipation in being able to influence the big decisions being made directly. But again, my voice was just one amongst many when the people at the top made the choices for us. We campaigned off a platform to build a better America, and the only way this can be achieved is with the input of all our community. Not just the established.



Together, we're going to create a nation that works for everyone. We're going to form a nation that is competitive both domestically and in the wider international community. I am sure of it.

This inauguration is about so much more than just the change of administration. It's more than just the transfer of power. Tonight, we're turning a new chapter and committing to an American future that is stronger, brighter and sustainable.

God bless you, and may God bless these United States of America.

BRUCE A. SNYDER

24th President of the United States