

FINAL DRAFT

STATE OF THE UNION MESSAGE

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To the Congress of the United States:

Thank you very much. Mr. Speaker, Vice President Fulton, Members of Congress, distinguished guests, and my fellow citizens: When we gathered in this chamber two months ago, I spoke about the need for all of us to roll up our sleeves and get to work. We remembered then the dangers we were in; we committed as a society to facing them without relent. For two months, we have done so.

Now, like Presidents before me, I return again to deliver my message on the State of our Union. Because of the hard work and determination of the American people, I can say that America's days ahead are bright. We have re-energized America's private sector. We have secured our foreign recognition. We have delivered on crucial reforms—reforms like instituting voter registration, ensuring that foreign leaders cannot violate diplomatic immunity, and so much more. We have delivered on the promises we have made to the American people. My fellow Americans, the State of our Union is strong.

But there is still more to be done. This is not a time to rest; this is a time to build on the successes we have achieved so far—to build a better America for tomorrow, for our service is not to ourselves, but to those yet to come. Friends, leaving America better off than it was when we began is the national demand.

We must leave with an America where employment sours. Where our politics are safe and energized. Where our military is respected, strong, and feared. We want an America where our new citizens can feel comfortable, happy, and proud to be American; we want an America where the rights of the individual are sustained. Where government restrains itself to its proper role: keeping Americans safe and protecting our God-given rights.

This is the America we have begun to build; this is the America we must continue building. If we continue on the path we have so far set for ourselves, I see the completion of this task as a certainty. respondent

We must, first, tackle the biggest threat facing our country in years: the lack of energy in our politics. For the past month, our Nation's political discourse has degraded to record lows; our national divides must be

bridged. That is why as President I have made it my mission to give all members of Congress a fair shake, regardless of party allegiance. In doing so, my administration has coordinated with Congress on a number of bipartisan bills aimed at solving our most dire problems.

If we are to begin the march toward a healthier democracy, we must then be honest in conviction; we must also, however, be honest in failure. For too long have parties attempted to blame others for their own defeats. We must recognize that the American people are the ultimate decider of our elections; to blame fair election results, and their consequences, on non-existent unfair tactics is to call the American vote unfair. The American people are our ultimate boss, to discount their legitimately elected democratic voice is to discount them themselves. Let us be honest players and let us reap the benefits of a political society that is both active and honest.

We also must build on our progress in the public-employment sector. I promised two months ago to have the America Works program fully implemented by the end of

March: I am proud to report that we made good on it. The common application is now fully operational, and hundreds of applications have already been submitted—in less than two weeks. This system will mark our first step toward making the employment process fairer for everyday Americans.

The primary issue the everyday American has with employment is not passing tests or standards—it is getting through the door in the first place. Too many people, before the common application, could not reach employers or their applications were never read. The common application fixes this. But we can do more. And it starts with our entire economy.

Our economy is does not exist: there is no true currency or market system. We also know that the in-game currency used at Las Vegas and Washington, DC. is valued and used to buy in-game things every day. But it could serve a more useful purpose. That is why I will submit to Congress, in tandem with negotiating with the city developers, a new plan to revolutionize our financial system.

Under my plan, everyone in game would continue to receive his automatically recurring payment every few minutes. In addition to this, moreover, people employed by the government or an established business would receive a salary payment recurring alongside the original. The governmental salaries would be determined by the Congress and get higher for an individual as he ranks up in his career.

This plan would achieve two things. First, it would incentivize employment in both the government and private sector; it would totally revive our activity. Second, it would encourage truer career paths, as the incentive of extra money would be tied to one's employment.

Let us commit to this plan, together. As President, I will open forums and discussions with Members of Congress to begin building this new system. I will advocate for it to the developers; and I will make my case to the American people. For those who wish for an America that gives back to its people, join me in this fight.

Giving back to the people, however, isn't just achieved at home. It requires us securing our interests abroad, using smart diplomacy to fortify our position as a leader

on the world stage. We have done just that; America's foreign policy has been nothing of excellent since my administration entered into office. Just over a week ago we passed a resolution in the United Nations that will effectively secure our foreign recognition for all coming time. By building on the progress of my successors, we have engaged in meaningful diplomacy and conversations around the world, ensuring that the American voice remains influential in world-changing decisions. And in doing so we have also given our intelligence agencies the security to conduct proper operations around the world—operations to keep the homeland safe.

Our intelligence agencies, after being decimated for over a year, have begun their revival under this administration. Since my last State of the Union, our dutiful operatives have provided crucial information to deter possible threats and keep our interests and allies safe, because sticking up for our friends is our most important duty—not just internationally, but at home, too.

At the end of the day, my administration has kept people safe. Crucial to this effort is our strategy against criminal gangs. Because of the work of our great

police officers and Department of Justice, we took TPR off of the streets—fulfilling our promise to the American people. In doing so, our law-enforcement officers dedicated their service to keeping the streets of our cities safe: We owe them a great debt of gratitude. Let us never forget the important work they do, for they are the true American heroes.

That is why we must remember that, at the end of the day, we are all Americans here with a common cause: Making America the greatest she can ever be. We have different means of achieving it, but our intentions remain pure nonetheless. Let us do the work of the American people without needless fighting and word-calling. As I said two months ago: Let us continue.

To the Congress, I have no more campaigns to run. This is my last ride, so join me in the work that is bringing our Union to new heights. Let our gift to the American people be leaving a United States that is freer, safer, and greater than the world has ever seen. That is our mission, for the State of our Union can only remain strong if we continue our work to build a better America for

tomorrow. May God bless you and the United States.

Goodnight.