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Introduction  
Cary Grant Interview, August 19, 1976 (Pullen)

For those viewers who just looked up, this is still the Republican National Convention in Kansas City, and not the late movie.

I'm making the cameo appearance to help renew "The Fords of 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue" for a four year season, because I do have some special expertise and experience for my job---which is to introduce a very special lady.

Like the man selected as your nominee for President, I have the qualifications for my job.

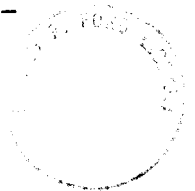
When the Credentials Committee asked what they were, I told them:

Marlene Dietrich. Katherine Hepburn. Jean Harlow. Irene Dunne. Carole Lombard. Rosalind Russell. Joan Fontaine. Doris Day. Audrey Hepburn.

Stars and fascinating ladies all.

But the lady I am introducing is a star in real life. She has been a professional dancer, a wife, a mother and an advocate of women's rights.

She is a lady who chose a good man---a strong man--- and the man I believe will be elected President of the United States, because of the excellent job he is doing.



It is a tribute to his wisdom that he married this particular woman to share his life and bear his children. Long ago, he recognized her character and charm. This spirited and honest woman reflects great credit on the man who married her. She tells us much about him.

I've had the joy of knowing her personally and sharing her thoughts. Many who have never met her admire her sincerity, candor and humor, and I can assure you---she is an extraordinarily compassionate and down-to-earth person.

As the father of a daughter, I especially admire her for speaking out about equality for women. Her efforts help gain respect for the talents of women---in the business world and at home. She not only has the President's ear and ours on this important subject, but she talks openly about many of our fears and hopes.

Her individuality compliments his own open and honest Administration. They are quite a team. The mutual respect and admiration of these two for each other and for their children shows us a great deal about their feelings for people and their strength of character.

Few things say more about a man than the woman he marries. What a fantastic comment she is about him!

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the President's and our First Lady---Betty Ford.

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Like the man selected as your nominee for President, I too ~~am~~ have the experience for my job~~s~~---which is to introduce a very special lady.

The Credentials Committee approved my qualifications--- after I gave them a few names.

Marlene Dietrich. Katherine Hepburn. Jean Harlow. Irene Dunne. Carole Lombard. Rosalind ~~and~~ Russell. Joan Fontaine. ~~Renowned~~ Doris Day. Audrey Hepburn.

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*Substitute*  
It is always important to know who has the President's ear. This gracious lady does. Those quiet pillow talks accomplish much.

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Pick up...few things, etc.

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of "The Fords of 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue." <sup>renewed for</sup>  
<sup>a 4-yr season -</sup>

Like the man selected as your nominee for President, I too have the experience and qualifications for my job---which is to talk about a very special lady.

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Convinced of my expertise, they ~~XXXX~~ agreed to  
let me talk about a friend of mine.

The women I've played opposite in films are stars  
and fascinating women all. But the woman I'm talking about  
is a star in a real-life role---wife, mother and her  
own person.



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She is a lady who chose a good man---a strong man--- and the man I believe will be elected President of the United States.

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I've ~~had~~ had the joy of knowing her personally. Her kindness, compassion and humor have endeared her to millions who have never met her, and I can tell you she is what she appears to ~~be~~ be --- a very down-to-earth and warm human being.

As the father of a ~~son~~ daughter, I especially admire her involvement in the quest for women for equality. She says to all of us that the talents of women---whether in the business world or at home---should be respected. I believe she's brought new dignity and honor ~~to~~ to the ~~women's~~ place of wives and mothers in our country---and new understand<sup>ing</sup> of what women can contribute in our society.

It's <sup>always</sup> very important to know who ~~has~~ has the President's ear, and this gracious lady does. Their mutual respect and admiration show us how he feels about ~~himself~~ himself and of

his willingness to listen to others.

(P) (Most of all, this woman reminds us of what courage and grace are.)

This lady---more than any other I've ever known--- can help make America a better ~~xxxxxx~~ place through the loving partnership of marriage and the ~~xxxxxx~~ strength of her compassion and convictions. (P)

Permit me to introduce to you and to the ~~Nation~~ Nation---the President's and our First Lady---Betty Ford.

Gary Grant

don't put the lady's name until the end

foresight to ~~x~~ choose a god man, strong man...

remain your president...tribute to his own wisdom...

choose this ~~px~~ particular woman...to bear his

children...joy of knowing her personally~~yy~~ ...kindness

of her ~~xxxx~~ serenity...and all of you are familiar

with her and her thoughts toward equality of the sexes...

her efforts can appreciate ~~yx~~ her efforts...quiet

~~x~~ pillow talks...effects of pillow talks...quest for

equality...an important advocate...

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For those television viewers who may have just walked into the room, I want to assure you this isn't the late show or a remake of "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington."

I'm here to introduce a very special lady, and my appearance has been approved by the Credentials Committee.

They asked me what credentials I had for the job.

I told them: Marlene Dietrich, Katherine Hepburn, Jean Harlow, Irene Dunn, Carole Lombard Rosalind Russell, Joan Fontaine, Doris Day and Audrey Hepburn.

And ~~they~~ they ~~agreed~~ agreed I had the necessary expertise.

~~These~~ The women I've played opposite in films are stars and fascinating women all. But the lady I'm talking about is a star in a real life role---~~not~~ wife, mother and friend.

She is a lady who chose a good man, a strong man as her ~~partner~~ partner and father of her children, and a man I predict will ~~be~~ remain President of the United States.

It is a tribute to his wisdom that he married this particular woman to share his life and bear his children. ~~He~~ He recognized her ~~fine~~ character and ~~charm~~ charm long ago.

I've had the joy of knowing her personally. Her



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Like the man ~~is~~ selected as the nominee of this party, I ~~do~~ <sup>too</sup> have ~~long~~ <sup>the</sup> experience and qualifications for ~~the job~~ <sup>my</sup> ~~of~~ introducing a very special lady.

My appearance has been approved ~~by~~ by the Credentials Committee. They ~~reviewed me, and asked what credentials I had.~~ <sup>for my</sup>

I told them: Marlene Dietrich, Katherine Hepburn, Jean ~~Harlow~~ Harlow, Irene Dunne, Carole Lombard, Rosalind Ruseell, Joan Fontaine, Doris Day and Audrey Hepburn.

So they agreed, and here I am to tell you about a friend of mine.

The women~~is~~ I've played opposite in films are stars and fascinating women all. But the ~~only~~ woman I'm talking about is a star in a real-life role---wife, mother and representative of her husband. <sup>and person</sup>

She is a lady who chose a good man, a strong man and

*I believe he elected*  
the man ~~who~~ will ~~continue~~ as President of the United States.

It is a tribute to his wisdom that he married this particular woman to share his life and bear his children. He recognized her character and charm long ago. Because he knew ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ what a spirited and honest woman she is---he has ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ been his representative. This lady is an important ~~xxxxxx~~ reflection of the man she married---and tells us that he is

I've had the joy of knowing her. ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~  
~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ Her kindness, compassion, humor and honesty ~~xxxxxxxx~~ have endeared her to many who have never met her, and I can tell you she is what she appears to be.

As the father of a daughter, I especially admire ~~what~~ her efforts to promote the quest of women for equality. She reminds us ~~xxxxxxxx~~ of the ~~xxx~~ talents of women---whether in the business world or in a contented partnership in the home. She says to all of us that what we want for all Americans--- is what us to be the best we can be.

I believe it's very important to know who has the President's ear. This gracious and wonderful lady does, and we know that in those quiet pillow talks---when two people share their deepest thoughts---she will share her ~~xx~~ views with him.

Most ~~x~~ of all, this woman reminds ~~x~~ us of what  
courage and grace are-----fine human being.

This lady---more than any other I've known---~~ix~~  
can help make our country a better place through ~~hex~~  
~~ixix~~ ~~ixix~~ the loving partnership of her marriage ~~ix~~  
because she has the ~~x~~ courage of her convictions.

Permit me to introduce to you and to the Nation---  
the President's and our First Lady---Betty Ford.



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I've had the joy of knowing her personally <sup>and hearing her thoughts.</sup> Her kindness, sincerity and humor have endeared her ~~to~~ to millions who have never met her, and I can <sup>assure</sup> ~~tell~~ you--- she is <sup>an extraordinarily ~~simple~~ nice</sup> ~~what she appears to be~~ ~~down to earth~~ and ~~woman~~ ~~human being~~, Compassionate woman.

As the father of a daughter, I especially admire <sup>her views on</sup> ~~her involvement in~~ the quest of women for equality and what that effort will mean for our children. ~~She~~ She says to us that the talents of women---whether in the business world or at home---should be respected.

I believe she brings new dignity and honor to ~~the~~ responsible jobs of wife and mother---and new understanding of the <sup>need for ~~every person to~~</sup> ~~importance of ~~every person to~~~~ <sup>use their abilities to the fullest.</sup>

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I believe she brings new dignity and honor to the <sup>jobs</sup> ~~importance~~ of <sup>wife</sup> ~~wives~~ and <sup>mother</sup> ~~mothers~~---and new understanding of <sup>the talents & contributions of</sup> ~~what~~ women, <sup>what</sup> ~~can contribute to our country.~~ <sup>can contribute in our society.</sup>

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This lady---more than any other I've ever known--- can help make ~~our~~ <sup>our</sup> the future better ~~for~~ <sup>---</sup> all of us

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through the loving partnership of her marriage and the strength of her compassion and convictions. She <sup>did</sup> ~~show~~ all of us what human ~~courage and grace are at the finest.~~

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I believe she brings new dignity and honor to the responsible jobs of wife and mother---and new understanding of why every person <sup>must</sup> ~~should~~ be able to use <sup>all</sup> their abilities. ~~to the fullest:~~

It is ~~also~~ always <sup>important</sup> ~~vital~~ ~~is~~ for us to know who has the President's ear. This gracious lady does. Those quiet pillow talks can accomplish much. <sup>And</sup> Their ~~mutual~~ mutual respect and for each other and their children and admiration show us how the President feels about people and of the strength of his character. Few things say more about a man than the woman he marries.

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I ~~we~~ believe it's very important to know who has the President's ear, and this ~~gracious~~ gracious and wonderful lady ~~is~~ does. Their mutual respect and admiration ~~show~~ show us ~~how~~ how he feels about <sup>himself</sup> people and of his willingness to listen (and learn from others.)



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