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PRESIDENTIAL INTRODUCTION

FOR JOEL GREY

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1974

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MR. CHANCELLOR, DISTINGUISHED GUESTS.

OVER THE YEARS, THE WHITE HOUSE HAS WELCOMED MANY  
TALENTED PERFORMERS -- SINGERS, DANCERS, ACTORS, MUSICIANS --  
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE WHOLE SPECTRUM OF THE PERFORMING ARTS.

TONIGHT, WE ARE ESPECIALLY FORTUNATE BECAUSE OUR GUEST ARTIST COMBINES ALL OF THESE SKILLS, AS THOSE OF YOU KNOW WHO HAVE SEEN HIM IN FILMS, ON BROADWAY, IN NIGHTCLUBS, AND ON TELEVISION.

HE HAS PERSONALLY REQUESTED THAT WE KEEP THE INTRODUCTION TO A MINIMUM SO I WILL ONLY SAY THAT, IN EACH OF THE MANY AND VARIED ROLES HE HAS PLAYED, HE HAS BROUGHT THAT VERY SPECIAL SKILL, ENTHUSIASM AND ELECTRIC QUALITY THAT SEPARATES THE GREAT FROM THE GOOD.

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I THINK THE BEST WAY OF DESCRIBING HIM IS IN ONE  
SIMPLE SENTENCE. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, ONE OF AMERICA'S  
MOST TALENTED AND VERSATILE PERFORMING ARTISTS -- MR. JOEL GREY.

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