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THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECHES

TAPED RADIO MESSAGE FOR SOUTH DAKOTA PRIMARY

THIS IS PRESIDENT FORD.

IN THIS BICENTENNIAL YEAR, I BELIEVE THAT AMERICANS  
OF ALL POLITICAL PERSUASIONS -- DEMOCRATS, REPUBLICANS  
AND INDEPENDENTS ALIKE -- SHARE A RENEWED INTEREST IN THE WAY  
OUR COUNTRY IS GOVERNED.

IN SOUTH DAKOTA, YOU AND YOUR NEIGHBORS HAVE AN  
EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO DO YOUR PART BY PARTICIPATING IN THE  
STATE-WIDE PRIMARY THAT WILL BE HELD ON JUNE FIRST. AS YOU  
KNOW, THE PRIMARY IS ONE OF THE FIRST STEPS IN OUR POLITICAL  
PROCESS OF ELECTING THE NEXT PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

I URGE YOU TO TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IN THE SOUTH DAKOTA  
PRIMARY. TODAY, JUST AS IN THE PAST, THE FUTURE OF AMERICA  
RESTS IN THE HANDS OF OUR VOTERS. THANK YOU.

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