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REMARKS BY
NELSON ROCKEFELLER
VICE PRESIDENT-DESIGNATE

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GOVERNOR ROCKEFELLER: Mr. President, Mr. Speaker and leaders of the Congress, Mr. Secretary of State and Members of the Cabinet, and friends:

Mr. President, your nomination of me to be Vice President of the United States under the 25th Amendment of the Constitution makes me very humble. If I am confirmed, it will be my great honor to serve you and through you to serve all of the people of this great country.

As you pointed out in your moving message to the Congress, these are very serious times. They are times, as you pointed out, that require the closest cooperation between the Congress of the United States and the Executive Branch of Government. They also require the dedication of every American to our common national interest.

You, Mr. President, through your dedication and your openness have already reawakened faith and hope, and under your leadership we, as a people, and we as a nation have the will, the determination and the capability to overcome the hard realities of our times. I am optimistic about the long-term future.

Thank you, Sir.

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(10:11 A.M. EDT)