

OK

C-SPAN

[REDACTED]

STUDENT 12th GRADE
HOBBS HIGH SCHOOL
HOBBS, N.M.

home address

[REDACTED]

HOBBS, N.M. 88240

C-SPAN

I WATCH C-SPAN BECAUSE I BELIEVE THAT ONLY BY UNDERSTANDING THE TRUE ISSUES OF TODAY I CAN DEVELOP MY OWN OPINIONS, HOWEVER TO UNDERSTAND THE ISSUES FIRST I MUST LISTEN AND LEARN. ONCE I HAVE HEARD THE WHOL ISSUE I KNOW THAT:

MOST AMERICANS ARE AWARE OF THE STAKE WE HAVE IN THIS WORLD. WE ARE CONSCIOUS OF TODAY'S PROBLEMS: LARGE UNEMPLOYMENT, DEPRESSION, RECESSION AND INFLATION. I KNOW WITH WORK AND COOPERATION WE CAN TURN THIS TIME OF CRISIS AND UNCERTAINTY INTO A TIME TO REBUILD A BETTER WORLD AROUND US. I KNOW WE MUST HAVE GOD'S HELP TO DO THIS.

THE PROBLEMS WE HAVE TO SOLVE ARE MAN MADE THEREFORE THEY CAN BE SOLVED BY MAN. THEY ARE NOT JUST PROBLEMS FROM THE LAST GENERATION, THEY HAVE GROWN THROUGH MANY GENERATIONS. I KNOW THEY WILL NOT ALL BE SOLVED IN MY GENERATION. WE MUST REMEMBER THAT FREEDOM IS NOT A REWARD ... NOR IS IT A GIFT FROM OUR FOREFATHERS. IT IS A CHORE...A LONG DISTANCE RACE THAT IS OFTEN RUN ALONE...IT IS OFTEN FRUSTERATING AND EXHAUSTING.

AS A STUDENT, I KNOW OUR FUTURE LEADERS WILL ONLY BE AS GOOD AS THEIR EDUCATION AND OPPORTUNITIES ALLOW. IN OUR GREAT COUNTRY, WE ARE ALL GIVEN THE RIGHT TO OBTAIN AN EDUCATION. WHAT WE DO WITH THIS RIGHT IS UP TO US. WE CAN TAKE A SEAT IN A CLASSROOM AND JUST TAKE UP SPACE OR WE CAN BECOME PART OF A CLASS ...ABSORBING, GIVING, TAKING AND LEARNING ALL WE CAN.

WE DO NOT ALL HAVE EQUAL TALENTS OR ABILITIES BUT WE DO HAVE THE EQUAL RIGHT TO DEVELOP THE TALENTS AND ABILITIES GOD HAS GIVEN US. WE EACH HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE AN INDIVIDUAL WITH OUR OWN HOPES AND DREAMS.

I KNOW THE WELFARE OF ALL AMERICANS (YOUNG AND OLD ALIKE) IS THE CONCERN OF EACH OF US. AMERICA MUST NOT BECOME A WELFARE STATE BUT IT MUST HAVE THE INTEREST OF ALL ITS PEOPLE AT HEART. I KNOW NO ONE GROUP OR INSTITUTION HAS ALL THE ANSWERS TO OUR COUNTRY'S PROBLEMS. THIS IS WHY IT IS MOST IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THE ISSUES AND TO LISTEN AND LEARN AS MUCH AS WE CAN. THIS IS WHY I WATCH AND LISTEN TO C-SPAN.