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Love you. Let me express my thanks. And my delight to have this opportunity to share with you today this minute concerned Americans in one place seeking to affirm that humanity, this is the right place to be



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you have asked for the participation of those who care. And I'm here because I care



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in 1963, that was a giant march in front of Lincoln Memorial. And I was there because I can April 25. That was a tremendous march to say no to intervention in Central America and free South Africa. And I was there because I can



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I was with farmers an hour earlier this morning. Because their backs against the wall. My stand was bam, because I can't. And you got the other night in tremendous numbers of 10s of 1000s. And I'm here tonight because because I can come because you asked me. I come because I disagree with those who tried to divide us who want to isolate you on me or anyone else who is different. America is not a blanket. all one color of uncut cloth. All red, white, or blue. America is is a quilt made up of many patches, made it pieces, many colors, many sizes, many textures, but everybody fits. Everybody counts. Everybody must have equal protection under the law in the real America



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there are those who would isolate differences, desecrate humanity, and then justify their inhumanity just as the Nazis did with yellow stars and pink triangles. It was not right in Nazi Germanv surelv it's not riht in America.



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legalize freedom we gather today to say we insist on equal protection under the law for every American for workers rights, for civil rights, for women's rights, for the rights of religious freedom, the rights of individual privacy for the rights of sexual preference. We come together for rights for the American people.



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With a gather today to say that the quality of the constitution of our great country. The members and choices of every American has been protected and must be under the law. We come together today Just Say No more violence. Momo economic violence 38 million Americans have lost their jobs since 1973. Nothing is wrong with American worker. Something is wrong with the formula the week after the election in November, in Detroit, GM announced closing 11 plants and 30,000 jobs. The same week they opened up 30,000 jobs in South Korea. South Korea does not have better labor, just cheaper labor. And then don't get angry with the South Koreans. They did not take our jobs. GM took our jobs to South Korea to use repressed labor to cut organized labor. We come together today to say end economic violence farmers driven from their land 650,000 farmers, these farmers have fed America and they fed the world. They deserve fat prices and the maternal death down land. If we can bail out Continental Bank and bail out New York and bail out you have in Bella Japan, we can bail out the fender farmer less in economic violence



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No more violence against women.



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No more violence against women who are raped and beaten. No more battered women in our nation.



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No more violence against minorities. No more killings at Howard Beach. rock throwing in Forsyth County, Georgia. No more killings of Asian Americans. No more violence against lesbians and gay men. Violence in the violence against everybody less in the violence. The unkindness and the meanness against everybody.



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We come together today. Because as intelligent people who are caring people, our agenda is not an unlimited agenda. Just as blacks cannot just be concerned about blacks, or Hispanics

about Hispanics, or Asians about Asians, or women about women or workers about workers or gays and lesbians about gays and lesbians. We must be concerned about those things that frighten and threaten all of us less in the AIDS crisis. Don't run Don't be afraid. Let's fight there. Let's find a killer disease. Let's see an AIDS let's come together across the world.



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Today we come here in unmistakable numbers. By conservative estimates, there are more than a half million people here today. That message cannot be lost. That message cannot be lost. We come to say today AIDS as a crisis affects every American AIDS is an international medical crisis. It cannot be nationalized. rates cannot be localized is cannot be moralized age cannot be isolated. It cannot be left as a burden, a burden for any one group, we the people who want a more perfect union must put money in research, we must put our minds together, we must even the AIDS virus, the AIDS crisis and stop them and give life a chance.



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Give life a chance. Give life a chance.



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My friends we can fight AIDS. We can fight AIDS, love of meanness. We can fight AIDS. Not by turning on each other. We can fight AIDS. Not be by being unkind and uncaring and insensitive. We can fight AIDS. If we care. We fought every dreaded disease, when our minds had the will to fight. We must fight AIDS and every form of death, let's give life a chance.



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We can insist for more money spent on research and treatment. We can insist on education, understanding and prevention. Above all, insist on coming commitment by people who care commitment to find the cure phase commitment to civil rights and vision health care for people with AIDS or any other disease at all. Today, 8 million Americans have no insurance. Another 50 million have inadequate insurance. Only our nation and South Africa does not have a national health system. We deserve in this nation, a national health system for those who are sick of whatever disease a melodem Ebola young that they might get well



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that's why we're here today. Because we need to be here today. We need not die alone in solitary pain. Let's come together and stay the case as we the people were here today based on common ground some of this place because the auto workers some of this place because they are teachers are steel workers or farmers or electronics or rubber or textile or black or brown or gay or lesbian or female. Whatever the reason is they are displaced



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and those who are displaced must have the good judgment. The time to each other when the press gate closes.



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When the farm forecloses when the hospital will not admit you, the lights go out and when the lights go out, you cannot use race or sex or sex preference or Religion approach, because all people take on amazing similarities in the dark, less in the darkness, and come to the light of justice, and health care, and education, and life. Everybody



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my friends today, on this note, I'll continue my journey from from my elbow this morning



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to Washington this afternoon in New Hampshire tonight. My challenge is that we find common ground. From our various backgrounds. Let's find common ground. The common ground of our humanity, about desire for life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness, equal protection under the law. Let's find common ground. Let's not dwell on our distinctions. Let's focus on the ties that bind. Let's focus on Common Ground. Every generation has had the fight and this generation must fight. But if we must fight, let's fight the right fight and not fight each other. If we must fight



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let's fight at the gate that proves on workers without notice. Less fight at the shipyard with goods made by repressed labor. Undercut organized labor. less fun fight at the schoolyard where a good man couldn't be admitted. Because they couldn't pay tuition and couldn't get a scholarship. And teachers couldn't get paid.



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If we must fight, Let's fight together at the farm foreclosure and give farmers a chance. If we must fight, Let's fight together at the hospital for somebody to die you in the admissions office because they didn't have a green or yellow card to go upstairs to bed there was empty, waiting for the rich to get sick. If we must fight. Let's fight job forms and health care and justice. If we must fight let's use the Goshi ation of a confrontation in Central America. If we must fight



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less free South Africa. If we must fight let's choose the human race over the nuclear race if we must fight pretty soon. I'm going back to the Middle East. To the Persian Gulf. We have a strong

military and weak policies guided missiles, misguided leadership



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were divided over the policy in the Middle East. We should not be the battle over supporting our servicemen and women who are there trying to fight against these odds. They are ours. They are Americans. They are young people who deserve a decent policy and the commander in chief who makes sense. The policy may be wrong but our soldiers a sound people and they deserve to live



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that deserve to live. So my friends as I seek job peace, justice and fairness. I am running official as of yesterday, God's help and your support for President of United States of America. I want to say I want to serve I will decide if you want a government of compassion. Let me serve



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you the president who cares. Let me serve. Today. I stand with you. election time you stand with me. And together, we will make a difference together. That will be compassion and care and jobs and peace and justice. God bless you. God bless you Jesse Jackson



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and that was the Reverend Jesse Jackson, and now officially a candidate for the presidency of the United States. He was speaking at the National march on Washington for lesbian and gay rights. It's quite a quite a moment here at the rally. There are still a number of speakers left to speak at the rally. But unfortunately, we are coming to the end of our tape delay satellite broadcasts produced by Pacifica radio, we want you to know that Pacifica radio will continue taping the rest of the rally for a later broadcast. Right now. I want to turn to a very long list of people that we have to thank our reporters included David McCartney Gary Peterson, Alan Ross Madge Kaplan, Diana Berg jonzac Brian DeWitt Tony crabs, Tatiana Schreiber, Susan Husky aviya Asante la victoria stellar Jeffrey Bickle, Jessica Tojo Kiki Redick Cindy Friedman, Steve balance George Atkinson, Michael sponsor Eduardo Chulu, Helene Rosenbluth, Sally O'Brien, Marnie Samuelson, and David Wynyard. Dan Fenton was the Technical Director, assisted by Steve Barker and BBA T productions, Bill wax, Jeff Yubico, Judy shimmer and Robin McCall. We'd also like to thank the staffs of the five Pacifica stations. You'd like to thank Bill Thomas and David Sonica of the Pacifica Foundation, and also the March on Washington committee for their assistance. This program was produced for Pacifica radio by Greg Gordon and Lucia Chapelle. Speaking



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sometimes it gets too hard to feel all the joy in the face of all the pain we see. But there's a healing place within our heart it's coming alive because against saying in trouble



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calling us to time



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Okay, moving around. Call time