



to visit and be reminded of the deeds and the traditions symbolized by the National Memorial in which we meet, or the Statue of Liberty, or Castle Clinton National Monument. The task of completing these shrines so that their maximum impact may be realized is a large one, requiring an expenditure of \$5.2 million. In this effort, the Federal Government is authorized to match the contributions made by individuals and other private entities. Through this partnership of government and individual effort \$3.6 million has already been contributed or pledged. The sooner we can complete the task of securing the necessary donations and appropriations the more time we shall have to complete the work to a high level of excellence.

I therefore appeal to you to participate in and support an intensive campaign to complete this most urgent task. The great accomplishments of our historic past are the foundations of future deeds. Let us dedicate ourselves to the cooperative endeavor of preserving for future inspiration the most significant wellsprings of our American heritage. There is still time for our generation to act--our children may not have the opportunity if we pass it by.

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