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REMARKS BY MRS. LYNDON B. JOHNSON
RECEPTION GIVEN BY MISS FRANCES MC GOVERN,
CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESS, HONORING MRS. JOHNSON
BALLROOM OF THE SHERATON HOTEL, AKRON, OHIO

Being here in Akron is a long anticipated pleasure. In the annals of my personal travel guide, this is a three-star stop. For Frances McGovern, the young woman honored today at tea, is herself a three-star woman doer.

I am told that the voters of Akron have long been persuaded that women have brains and will travel.

In fact, more women have gone to the legislature from Summit County than any other county in Ohio.

Frances, you, too, are a graduate of the Ohio legislature, and now you would like to do your postgraduate work in Washington! I know that my husband will be happy to welcome you to his Alma Mater.

So will all of us who believe that the women of this country have a place in public life and that in the annals of the Great Society, it will be recorded that women took on their responsibilities alongside men.

I am always pleased to see such a large turnout of women. I know that your presence means that you want to participate in the building of the Great Society. It will take many of us to provide the bricks and mortar for the better life for all our people that we seek.

My warmest thanks to you all for making this a very special stop.

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