

**UNITED STATES
PRESIDENTIAL DELEGATION
TO THE
STATE FUNERAL FOR
MOTHER TERESA
CALCUTTA, INDIA
SEPTEMBER 13, 1997**

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FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
STATEMENT FOR FUNERAL OF MOTHER TERESA
CALCUTTA, INDIA

September 13, 1997

On behalf of the President and the American people and our delegation who stand behind me, we wanted to come to Calcutta to express our deepest sadness at the passing of Mother Teresa. We also came to celebrate her mission, her faith, and her life and to make clear that the work she started and gave her life to will continue. It will be carried forward by the Missionaries of Charity and by the people of faith and good will who are inspired by their example. I cannot think of any more fitting tribute to Mother Teresa than to gather here on this evening on this remarkable day in Calcutta where she was celebrated and venerated by people from all over the world to see what really touched her heart, and through her, touched the hearts of all of us: the children and the men and the women, not only of Calcutta but around the world, in my country and in every country who need our love and compassion.

I hope that all of us, as we mark this day of her passing will find a way in our own lives to continue the work which she and her sisters and brothers have done so well and importantly, for so long, so that it continues now and into the future. Thank you very much.

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