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PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: ENTERTAINMENT THANK-YOU
RECIPROCAL DINNER
SPASO HOUSE
MOSCOW, USSR
TUESDAY, MAY 31, 1988

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Louis Armstrong, the great American trumpeter, was once asked to provide a definition of jazz. "Man," he answered, "if you gotta ask, you'll never know."

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Well, no one tonight needs to ask about the music of another great American jazz artist, pianist Dave Brubeck. The vitality, the energy -- the sheer joy -- was unmistakable.

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There are plenty of essays and so forth about music being the universal language of man. But instead of giving you a fancy quotation, I thought I'd just say this. While you were playing, Dave, I was looking around the room. And there were quite a few members of both delegations who just couldn't resist tapping their feet.

For bringing us together in music, Dave Brubeck, I thank you.

And with that, this historic evening draws to a close. General Secretary Gorbachev, Mrs. Gorbachev, ladies and gentlemen: Thank you for joining us, and good night.