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REMARKS FOR THE COUNCIL OF FASHION DESIGNERS OF AMERICA AWAPE MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 1989

-- THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS AWARD.

-- YOU KNOW, THERE ARE PLUSES AND MINUSES TO LIVING IN THE WHITE HOUSE. ONE OF THE PLUSES IS BEING ABLE TO HELP AN INDUSTRY THAT'S ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT IN OUR COUNTRY. I THINK THE AMERICAN FASHION DESIGNERS ARE THE BEST -- AND WHEN I FOUND MYSELF IN A POSITION TO MAKE OTHERS AWARE OF THAT, I WAS DELIGHTED TO DO SO.

-- SO THANK YOU AGAIN AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR FRIENDSHIP OVER THE YEARS.

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