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### Program

A. PHILIP RANDOLPH, New York, N. Y., Presiding

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| 1. National Anthem .....                                              | Led by MISS ROSE BATTLE ENGLISH, New York, N. Y.                                                                       |
| 2. Invocation .....                                                   | BISHOP S. L. GREENE, Atlanta, Ga., Senior Bishop, AME Church                                                           |
| 3. Hymn — Battle Hymn of the Republic .....                           | CHORUS, Directed by PROF. WARNER LAWSON, Washington, D. C.                                                             |
| 4. Laying of Wreath .....                                             | JAMES and THERESA GORDON, Formerly of Clay, Ky.                                                                        |
| 5. Opening Remarks .....                                              | Co-Chairman A. PHILIP RANDOLPH, New York, N. Y., International President, Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, AFL-CIO |
| 6. Hymn — A Mighty Fortress Is Our God .....                          | CHORUS                                                                                                                 |
| 7. Scripture Reading — Old Testament .....                            | BISHOP WILLIAM J. WALLS, Chicago, Ill., Senior Bishop, AMEZ Church                                                     |
| 8. Scripture Reading — New Testament .....                            | BISHOP WILLIAM Y. BELL, South Boston, Va., Third Episcopal District, CME Church                                        |
| 9. Prayer .....                                                       | REV. ROSS A. WESTON, Unitarian Church of Arlington, Va.                                                                |
| 10. Solo .....                                                        | MISS MAHALIA JACKSON, Chicago, Ill.                                                                                    |
| 11. Remarks .....                                                     | MRS. IRENE McCOY GAINES, Chicago, Ill., President, National Association of Colored Women                               |
| 12. Remarks .....                                                     | MRS. WILLIAM T. MASON, Norfolk, Va., President, National Council of Negro Women                                        |
| 13. Litany of Freedom<br>(Turn over for words) .....                  | Led by REV. THOMAS J. KILGORE, JR., Friendship Baptist Church, New York, N. Y.                                         |
| 14. Remarks .....                                                     | DR. MORDECAI W. JOHNSON, President, Howard University, Washington, D. C.                                               |
| 15. Spiritual .....                                                   | CHORUS AND AUDIENCE                                                                                                    |
| 16. Reports of Southern Freedom Fighters .....                        | REV. WILLIAM H. BORDERS, Atlanta, Ga., Wheat Street Baptist Church                                                     |
|                                                                       | REV. C. K. STEELE, Tallahassee, Fla., Bethel Baptist Church                                                            |
|                                                                       | REV. F. L. SHUTTLESWORTH, Birmingham, Ala., Bethel Baptist Church                                                      |
|                                                                       | REV. A. L. DAVIS, New Orleans, La., New Zion Baptist Church                                                            |
| 17. Anthem — Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing<br>(Turn over for words) ..... | CHORUS AND AUDIENCE                                                                                                    |
| 18. Prayer .....                                                      | DR. NORMAN GERSTENFELD, Rabbi, Washington Hebrew Congregation                                                          |
| 19. Remarks .....                                                     | Co-Chairman ROY WILKINS, Executive Secretary, NAACP, New York, N. Y.                                                   |
| 20. Scripture Reading .....                                           | DR. W. H. JERNAGIN, Washington, D. C., Chairman, Executive Committee, Fraternal Council of Negro Churches              |
| 21. Solo .....                                                        | MISS MAHALIA JACKSON, Chicago, Ill.                                                                                    |
| 22. Scripture Reading .....                                           | BISHOP R. C. LAWSON, New York, N. Y., Refuge Temple                                                                    |
| 23. Remarks .....                                                     | HON. PAUL H. DOUGLAS, U. S. Senator from Illinois                                                                      |
| 24. Remarks .....                                                     | HON. CHARLES C. DIGGS, JR., Representative, 13th District, Michigan                                                    |
| 25. Remarks .....                                                     | HON. JACOB K. JAVITS, U. S. Senator from New York                                                                      |
| 26. Remarks .....                                                     | HON. ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, Representative, 16th District, New York                                                      |
| 27. Music .....                                                       | PHILADELPHIA FELLOWSHIP HOUSE CHOIR, MRS. AILEEN BROWN, Director                                                       |
| 28. Remarks .....                                                     | REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING, Co-Chairman, Montgomery, Ala., Dexter Avenue Baptist Church                                   |
| 29. Affirmation and Pledge .....                                      | CHORUS AND AUDIENCE                                                                                                    |
| 30. My Country 'Tis of Thee .....                                     | REV. T. M. CHAMBERS, Los Angeles, Calif., Zion Hill Baptist Church                                                     |
| 31. Benediction .....                                                 |                                                                                                                        |