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JOURNEY OF OUR YEARS
2021

THURSDAY, JUNE 9TH
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NU’S BLACK CONGRATULATORY CEREMONY
PROGRAM

MSA OPENING REMARKS
LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT
LIFT EV’RY VOICE & SING (BLACK NATIONAL ANTHEM)
Northwestern Community Ensemble (NCE) & NCE Alumni

WELCOME REMARKS
Alyscia Raines, Assistant Director
Multicultural Student Affairs

CLASS OF 2021 STUDENT REMARKS
Taylor Bolding, ’21

TRIBUTE VIDEO

KEYNOTE ADDRESS
Dr. Marquis Bey
Assistant Professor of African American Studies

A MESSAGE FROM NUBAA
Daryl Newell ’86, President-Elect
Northwestern University Black Alumni Association (NUBAA)

HISTORY OF THE STOLE
Rev. D’ana Downing, Graduate Assistant
Multicultural Student Affairs

PRESENTATION OF THE STOLES

THE BLACK HOUSE UPDATE
Dr. Lesley-Ann Brown-Henderson
Assistant Vice President for Inclusion
and Chief of Staff

CLOSING REMARKS
Daviree L. Velázquez Phillip, Director
Multicultural Student Affairs

GRADUATES

DANIEL ABIA
EZINNA ADIELE
PROPHECY AGYARE
KENNETH ALLEN
AVRIANA ALLEN
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MIRANDA ANDRADE
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ARUDI MASINJILA
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STEPHANIE MCCARTY
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SALINA TSEGAI
TITOBIOLUWA WILLIAMS EBODA
JAMILA WILSON
ANTONIA YOUNG
LIFT EV’RY VOICE AND SING,  
‘TIL EARTH AND HEAVEN RING,  
RING WITH THE HARMONIES OF LIBERTY;  
LET OUR REJOICING RISE  
HIGH AS THE LIST’NING SKIES,  
LET IT RESOUND LOUD AS THE ROLLING SEA.  
SING A SONG FULL OF THE FAITH THAT THE DARK PAST HAS TAUGHT US,  
SING A SONG FULL OF THE HOPE THAT THE PRESENT HAS BROUGHT US;  
FACING THE RISING SUN OF OUR NEW DAY BEGUN,  
LET US MARCH ON ‘TIL VICTORY IS WON.

STONY THE ROAD WE TROD,  
BITTER THE CHASTENING ROD,  
FELT IN THE DAYS WHEN HOPE UNBORN HAD DIED;  
YET WITH A STEADY BEAT,  
HAVE NOT OUR WEARY FEET  
COME TO THE PLACE FOR WHICH OUR FATHERS SIGHED?  
WE HAVE COME OVER A WAY THAT WITH TEARS HAS BEEN WATERED,  
WE HAVE COME, TREADING OUR PATH THROUGH THE BLOOD OF THE SLAUGHTERED,  
OUT FROM THE GLOOMY PAST,  
‘TIL NOW WE STAND AT LAST  
WHERE THE WHITE GLEAM OF OUR BRIGHT STAR IS CAST.

GOD OF OUR WEARY YEARS,  
GOD OF OUR SILENT TEARS,  
THOU WHO HAS BROUGHT US THUS FAR ON THE WAY;  
THOU WHO HAS BY THY MIGHT  
LED US INTO THE LIGHT,  
KEEP US FOREVER IN THE PATH, WE PRAY.  
LEST OUR FEET STRAY FROM THE PLACES, OUR GOD, WHERE WE MET THEE,  
LEST, OUR HEARTS DRUNK WITH THE WINE OF THE WORLD, WE FORGET THEE;  
SHADOWED BENEATH THY HAND,  
MAY WE FOREVER STAND,  
TRUE TO OUR GOD,  
TRUE TO OUR NATIVE LAND  
OUR NATIVE LAND

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