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Thank you President Trump. Thank you for not being a typical politician and passing us over. Thank you for caring about San Juan County. We may be only 15, 000 strong, but we matter. We appreciate you willing to take the backlash from the special interest groups as you stand for the people and economy of San Juan County.

Thank you Sutherland Institute. You gave us confidence to raise our voices then amplified that voice to the nation.

Thank you to the local grassroots people. This would have never happened without your willingness to share your voice. There have been some long nights and prayers during the process. We came together in unity, despite the fact that divisiveness was intended. Your work is the reason we are here today.

It is an honor to be here today. As Commissioners we have done all we can to represent and fight for San Juan County and importantly for our people.

Now it's time to continue in unity and move forward.

Hozho Nahasdli

(The next speaker is our Governor Gary Herbert. He has been an advocate for our county and has lead with a calm and steady hand. We are grateful for your leadership. Thank you for your unwavering support and confidence. Please welcome Governor Gary Herbert.)