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FROM THE PRESIDENT TO THE PEOPLE

An exhibit celebrating the Presidential Inauguration and the People of the United States

Murfreesboro, TN, Friday, January 20, 2017: The Albert Gore Research Center presents its new exhibit *From the President to the People*. It will be located in the Gore Center Reading Room from the end of November 2016 to May 2017. The AGRC invites all MTSU faculty and students along with community members to view the exhibit.

This exhibit features presidential inauguration objects and documents from the Albert Gore Sr., Bart Gordon, Jerry Futrell, and John McFarland papers in the Gore Center's collection. These items are exhibited on two panels, entitled *The Inaugural Day* and *Political Participation*, and in a display case. This exhibit presents the events of Inauguration Day and shows how the people of the United States participate in them.

"To a few of us here today, this is a solemn and most momentous occasion; and yet, in the history of our Nation, it is a commonplace occurrence. The orderly transfer of authority as called for in the Constitution routinely takes place as it has for almost two centuries and few of us stop to think how unique we really are..."

-Inaugural Address from Ronald Reagan, 1981

This exhibit was created by the following AGRC staff: public history graduate assistants Bradley Harjehausen, Julie Maresco, Kelsey Lamkin, and Zachary Kautzman, along with University Archivist Donna Baker, Special Projects Coordinator Kent Syler, and Director Dr. Louis Kyriakoudes.

The mission of the Albert Gore Research Center is to educate the MTSU community and the public about the histories of MTSU, of American democracy, and of life in Middle Tennessee. The center is open as a public service without charge to anyone with research needs that fit our collections.