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The Honorable Deb Haaland
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Goo-wadzee hauba. Du-hino-meh-Idzah-dyu-eedza suwimi hanu.

35 generations ago, my ancestors built lives in the high desert of New Mexico. I'm on this stage tonight because of them.

While fishing with my dad and running through the desert with my cousins, I learned that we have a responsibility to take care of our planet. Donald Trump never learned that lesson. He called the climate crisis a "hoax." He made it easier for big companies to poison our air and water.

An American president must lead the world in tackling climate change. We need a president who understands the assignment.

That's Kamala Harris.

I know her record. She held polluters accountable for spilling oil into the San Francisco Bay. She defended President Obama's Clean Power Plan in court. And as Vice President, she cast the tie-breaking vote for the most ambitious climate action plan in our nation's history. She and Tim Walz will fight for a future where we all have clean air, clean water, and healthy communities.

Let me go back to the lesson I learned in the Desert Southwest: We all have a role in protecting our earth for future generations.

So let's all be fierce! And let's make Kamala Harris the next President!

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