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Good Evening Everyone,

I want to thank all of you for coming tonight to help me celebrate my 50th birthday. I want to welcome my college fraternity brothers, other college buddies, as well as friends from graduate school and from various times in my life, like when my two boys Kole and Kade were born. My best friend in the world is my wife, Gerilynn. She is the best thing that ever happened to me.

The reason why you are all here is because in one way or another you have been a part of my life. You have helped to mold me into the person I am today, and I would truly like to thank you all for that. We were always taught that you are who you surround yourself with, and we preached to our children, "make sure you choose good friends and make good choices." As I look at this table I realize I have made very good choices in my life. I am blessed with many successes, and they had a lot to do with the people that I have been fortunate enough to surround myself. All of you have had a profound impact on my life and my family's life.

Truly, I’ve had some of the best experiences. I have friends here from when I was an undergrad at SDSU and 19 and 20 years old, my formative/under-age drinking years. We may have gotten in a little trouble sometimes, but I am the person I am today because we went through some very important Rights of Passage. There are too many stories to tell but they are so much fun to remember. I remember the great times I had with my pledge class brothers at the Del Cero house and our dog Bear, and the wonderful hours sailing on Harlo’s boat on Mission Bay. I remember working at Del Mar Race track stocking the bar each day before the races began.

I have lived a great life, from the beginnings of my career to now when I am considered a senior guy, or "more experienced", as I prefer. Memories from my publisher Chris at Time, Inc. to my second career at AIG. "I can say the name in public now so I won't whisper it." I have wonderful memories of my graduate degree years at Loyola Marymount and traveling around the world to study corporations on a 6 country junket. Many of you I became friends with through our kids. We steers with "mommy and me" outings and going to our infant’s birthday parties and pretending we were still able to party like our pre kid days. I had no idea what the reputation was but boy did I make the right choice :)

I am most grateful to my wife. I have now witnessed the amount of effort and attention to detail that Gerilynn💋👸🏻, has put into this event, with the help of our friend Diane Speouse and Dawn Hamilton. Many of you in this room attended my 40th surprise birthday. We were just engaged and I was totally floored by the most amazing 40th surprise party at the Hamilton's house. But I didn't get to experience the level of commitment and detail that she puts into an event. “Honey, I can't thank you enough for everything you do for me and our family. For me, my 50th birthday tonight is really a celebration of you. I am so fortunate and so blessed to be in the position I'm in now.”

Since I worked at this track in college and we are having this event here tonight, I have come full circle, enjoying the Track with my wife and sitting in outbound club seats enjoying the sport of kings.

Thank you all