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Remarks by Robyn Brown on the occasion of the marriage of his dear friend, Colin Young.

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hello there, everybody. my name’s ROBYN BROWN, SOMETIMES KNOWN AS BOBBY, AND around these parts AS “BLART” — DON’T ASK! and DESPITE THE FACT THAT I’M ABSOLUTELY TERRIFIED OF PUBLIC SPEAKING, i’m TREMEN-DOUSLY HAPPY to be COLIN’s best man tonight — or at least the best man he could FIND to spearhead CLEBRATING the death of his bachelorhood. OF COURSE, i hasten to add that this a hardly a funereal occasion, because who *wouldn’t* want to give up bachelorhood for a woman as gorgeous, as sweet, as smart, as loyal, and as capable as . . . [gesture toward the bride] . . . the lovely and beautiful KIMMY [LAST name of bride]? [anticipate applause]

NOW I NEED TO BEGIN MY REMARKS THIS EVENING BY STATING AS A FACT THAT COLIN AND KIMMY ARE AN ABSOLUTELY PERFECT MATCH FOR EACH OTHER, AND COMPLIMENT EACH OTHER IN EVERY WAY. I CAN VOUCH FOR THIS WITH FULL AUTHORITY BECAUSE I’VE KNOW THEM BOTH FOR A LONG TIME — DAMNED NEAR A QUARTER CENTURY, IF YOU CAN BELIEVE IT! COLIN’S BEEN AS MUCH A BROTHER TO ME AS A DEAR FRIEND, AND I LOVE THE FACT THAT HE’S KNOWN AS “UNCLE WALLY” TO MY SON, DYLAN. SO NEEDLESS TO SAY, I WAS ABOLUTELY THRILLED WHEN I FOUND OUT THAT THESE TWO WERE GETTING HITCHED.

NOW, IT’S TRADITIONALLY THE ROLE OF THE BEST MAN AT A WEDDING TO EXTOL THE VIRTUES OF THE GROOM, AND THIS, MY FRIENDS, IS THE EASIEST TASK I’VE EVER BEEN CALLED UPON TO UNDERTAKE . . . [TAKE A PIECE OF PAPER FROM A POCKET] . . . BUT, NONETHELESS, I HOPE YOU WON’T MIND MY USING A LITTLE CRIB SHEET. SO HERE GOES [“READING”

THE LIST OF OLIN’S VIRTUES SLOWLY, ITEM BY ITEM, FROM THE SHEET]: COLIN YOUNG IS KIND-HEARTED . . . HELPFUL . . . SELFLESS . . . CREATIVE . . . INTELLIGENT . . . FUNNY AS BEJEEZUS . . . WISE . . . SMART . . . FRIENDLY . . . TALENTED . . . KNOWLEDGABLE . . . AND TALKATIVE. HE’S HEADSTRONG . . . OPINIONATED . . . DECISIVE . . . POSITIVE . . . AND UNPEDICTABLE AS HELL — [TO THE BRIDE] SO KIMMY, BE SURE TO KEEP YOUR HEAD ON A SWIVEL AT ALL TIMES! COLIN IS INCREDIBLY ENCOURAGING TO, AND SUPPORTIVE OF OTHERS, AND HE’S SIMPLY A DELIGHT TO SPEND TIME WITH. [TO COLIN] ARE YOU EMBARRASSED ENOUGH YET, OR SHOULD I GO ON? I COULD GO ON, OF COURSE, BUT . . . [PUTTING THE CRIB SHEET BACK IN YOUR POCKET] . . . MY TIME IS RUNNING OUT AND THERE’S STILL MUCH CELEBRAT-ING TO BE DONE HERE TONIGHT.

SO LET ME CLOSE BY SAYING, FIRST TO KIMMY, THAT YOU COULDN’T POSSIBLY HAVE CHOSEN A BETTER MAN THAN COLIN AS YOUR SOUL-MATE FOR LIFE. I MIGHT’VE BEEN

NAMED “BEST MAN” FOR THE CEREMONIAL PURPOSES OF THIS WEDDING, BUT I MUST TELL YOU, MY DEAR KIMMY, THAT COLIN YOUNG IS WITHOUT A DOUBT THE BEST MAN IN THIS ROOM.

[GESTURING/TURNING TO THE GROOM’S PARENTS, IF THEY’RE IN ATTENDANCE] AND TO YOU, MR. AND MRS. YOUNG, I MUST SAY THAT YOU COULDN’T *POSSIBLY* HAVE RAISED A MORE LOVING AND GRACIOUS AND COMPAS-SIONATE SON AS COLIN. HE’S SO VERY, VERY LUCKY TO HAVE YOU AS PARENTS, AND YOU SHOULD BE VERY, VERY PROUD OF HIM.

AND FINALLY TO THE BRIDE AND GROOM, I OFFER MY HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS AND PROPOSE THIS TOAST, [TO THE AUDIENCE] IF YOU’LL ALL JOIN ME. [RAISE A GLASS] TO COLIN AND KIMMY: I PRAY THAT GOD WILL BLESS THIS MARRIAGE AND KEEP YOUR LOVE STRONG. MAY YOUR LOVE

BE EVER INCREASED, AND MAY IT NEVER BE SUBTRACTED. MAY YOUR HOUSEHOLD MULTIPLY, AND MAY YOUR HEARTS NEVER BE DIVIDED. MAY YOUR GRASS ALWAYS BE GREEN AND YOUR SKIES FOREVER BLUE. MAY YOU LOOK BACK ON THIS DAY ALWAYS, AND REMEMBER HOW MUCH YOU LOVED EACH OTHER RIGHT AT THIS MOMENT. AND FINALLY: MAY YOU LIVE AS LONG AS YOU WANT AND NEVER WANT FOR AS LONG AS YOU LIVE. GOD BLESS THE TWO OF YOU!

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