

Tonight, we gather here to celebrate my birthday, but I believe it's equally important to acknowledge Lisa and Gary who have allowed me to use their beautiful home for this special occasion. Lisa and Gary I want to raise a glass in honor of your exceptional generosity and hospitality. Thank you both very much.

I want to take a special moment to express my heartfelt appreciation to the individual who has been by my side through thick and thin. I want to thank my incredible wife, Nancy, who has not only put up with me for 43, no wait 46 years, but has done so with an unwavering grace and patience that deserves a standing ovation. Nancy you are my rock, my partner in crime and by better half. Your love, support, and ability to tolerate me are nothing short of a miracle. Through all the ups and downs, you have stood by my side, making every moment an adventure worth experiencing. Thank you for being the true definition of a soulmate.

Everyone here tonight I consider more than a friend, I consider you nothing less than family. Thank you all for being here, for gracing me with your presence, and for being an integral part of my life's journey. As I reflect on the memories we've shared, I can't help but smile at some of the crazy outlandish times that we have spent together, there are way to many to name, but maybe I should just name a few highlights, a travel adventures unleashed excitement at the baggage claim, smashing guitars, having Barbara Strisend at your party singing People, communicating with Elan Musk for weeks, lecturing at art basil, enjoying dinner with Johnnie Depp and Angela Joli, playing poker and raising the bet with 5

kings only to find out the other person has 5 aces, Multiple Hammer bets, situations and astonishing shots, etc, etc, etc.....these moments have defined our relationships. But it's the genuine connections we've built that make these moments so special. So, tonight as we celebrate this milestone together, let's raise a toast to friendship-the kind that transcends time and distance, the kind that feels like family. I'm honored and humbled to have such wonderful people in my life, and I couldn't imagine this journey without you. Cheers to all of you. Before I relinquish the mic, I have never have had the opportunity to sing to my wife....well tonight I'm going to give it a try.....Just by chance if you have heard this song and would like to join in please do so.....Nancy please have a seat...."the band will play "I wanna be your man"....