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May 17, 1941

Honorable Vito Marcantonio House Office Bldg. Washington, D. C.

Honorable Sir:

The time is upon us when the people of this country must make their decision on whether they will permit their government to involve them in a foreign war for which we are unprepared and which, in the event of our participation, may well become the most destructive and one of the longest wars in history.

The America First Committee has taken its stand for immediate, impregnable defense so that no foreign power, or combination of powers, can invade the country by sea, air or land. We represent varying degrees of opinion but we all believe that this country can best serve democracy and civilization everywhere by remaining at peace and refusing to transform itself into still another military totalitarian dictatorship.

Whether you belong to our Committee, or any other organization working for similar ends, or to no organization, will you be a sponsor at our great defense and anti-war rally to be held at Madison Square Garden on Friday, May 23rd? Senator Burton K. Wheeler and Charles A. Lindbergh will be among the distinguished This will be one of the most thrilling and decisive events in contemporary history. We have felt that you as a patriotic representative citizen would like to share in this occasion as our guest. We are reserving the three hundred platform seats and the front orchestra seats for our sponsors. As the time is so short, please reply by return mail, or preferably by wire or telephone - Plaza 3-5425 and Plaza 3-8112.

Very sincerely yours,

AMERICA FIRST COMMITTEE NEW YORK CHAPTER INC.

Mrs. John P. Marquand Chairman, Platform Committee

Other seats available for your friends and family:

Box seats

\$2.00 1.00

Reserved seats

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