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July 21, 1941.

TO ALL OFFICERS OF THE FIGHT FOR FREEDOM:

This is the moment we have all been waiting for!

At last, the President has asked Congress to declare the existence of a National Emergency. For weeks, we have been calling upon the national legislature to act. Now the President has crystallized the rising sentiment in the nation, and put the issue squarely to Congress.

It is imperative, NOW, that you loyal and conscientious leaders of Fight for Freedom, Inc., get our members immediately to wire, write or telephone their Senators and Representatives at Washington, demanding that they support the three specific requests of the Administration, as follows:

- 1. That the time limit on the service of selectees, National Guardsmen and reserve officers be extended to the duration of the emergency;
- 2. That the limit on the number of men inducted in any given year be removed because of the emergency;
- 3. That Congress provide that employers be asked to continue to keep jobs open for their employees who have been held in the army.

Notify us immediately how many you need of the enclosed cards to get to every member of your Fight for Freedom chapter. These should be distributed by you or another Fight for Freedom officer. Keep after your members until you know every card has been mailed to Washington, if these members have not already sent telegrams or letters. We urge you to fill in yourself the names of your Senators and Representative -- don't leave this important duty to your own members to do.

The responsibility now rests with you. We MUST fire a salvo NOW to arouse Congress and unite its members behind the President!

Yours faithfully,

Rt. Rev. Henry W. Hobson

National Chairman,

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