

The Canada-USA Trade Agreement of November 1935 marked the beginning of the end of economic decline. That trading agreement contained some risks. But the alternative, the maintenance of the status quo, meant continued unemployment for the people of both nations. Canadians and Americans were prepared for the gamble because it meant a better tomorrow for their children. We are their children, and we owe our children the same opportunity.

Ladies and Gentlemen, please join me in raising your glasses in welcome and honour of Secretary and Mrs. Shultz.