

Subject: Re: Last Paragraph, like this?
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Speech
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Well, in your revised ending for the speech, you're speaking to the senate instead of asking your fellow citizens to react. I think the senators have shown that they do not react to logical or ethical appeals --just look at Wellstone's attempt to get very ill people protected in the bankruptcy bill.

Our best chance for success is if zillions of people start calling. That may not happen, no matter how hard we try. But it is the only chance.

For that reason, I prefer the old ending, with the change you suggested --"Americans, this week, must peaceably rise up against the corruption of this congress." (instead, as you rightly noted, of

rising up against the
congress itself) It is an historic call to action.

If you disagree, and would like a last paragraph that
addresses the senate,
I would only change the one you sent to me slightly
(edit below)

Love,

Dennis

(Edit)

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate: You may deny
and resent the picture I
have painted of you. But we few out here represent
the silent masses of
your constituents, 50% of whom no longer can stomach
voting for any of your

ethical class. They know that you no longer represent their interests. You represent others, who have paid your way to this false glory.

Well, here, in the McCain-Feingold bill, is your chance to start down a better road for yourselves, your constituents, and for all of us and for those who have sacrificed their lives for the notion that we might be a government of and by and for its people.

(skip the Just Do It)

(your original)

>Ladies and Gentlemen of the Senate: Do you think I have been unkind to

>you. Do you deny the picture I have painted of you. We few out here

>represent the silent masses, your constituents, the 50% that don't vote,

>and you think it is because they are lazy, apathetic. We

speæk for them.

>They say you are a bunch of crooks. They say you no longer represent

>us, but the money that has put you in the Senate. Prove that they are

>wrong. Stiffen your backbones, your knees, ' gird up your loins'and

>face up to the fact that we, your constuents demand, no order, that you

>pass the McCain/Feingold as it is, pure, without amendments. That is

>what we want. We want you to stop demeaning yourselves with receiving

>\$463 million a year of illegal soft money. We know that you inherited

>this system, but you know it is wrong and you haven't done a damed

>thing to change it. That's your crime. Well, here's a chance to redeem

>yourselves. We dare you! Just do it!