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Dan Pfeiffer: ...Part one, what's your message to the folks who have not yet voted or do not yet have a plan to vote? And part two, for the folks who have already voted — 50 million Americans who have already voted — what can they do, over the last 10 days, to help make sure that you're the next president of the United States?

Biden: Well first of all, you know, what really rankles my opponent is I say that the thing that bothers him most is he's not a patch on Barack's jeans. I mean, Barack was one hell of a president and I tell you what man, what an honor it was, I think you guys believe it too, to serve with him. I mean an incredible honor. And I'm not being solicitous, I really mean that. He had more integrity in his little finger than most people have in their whole body, and he had a backbone like a ramrod, has one.

But one of the things that I think is most important is those who haven't voted yet, first of all go to IWillVote.com to make a plan exactly how you're going to vote, where you're going to vote, when you're going to vote. Because it can get complicated, because the Republicans are doing everything they can to make it harder for people to vote — particularly people of color — to vote. So go to IWillVote.com.

Secondly, we're in a situation where we have put together, and you guys did it for our administration — President Obama's administration before this — we have put together I think the most extensive and inclusive voter fraud organization in the history of American politics. What the president is trying to do is discourage people from voting by implying that their vote won't be counted, it can't be counted, we're going to challenge it and all these things. If enough people vote, it's going to overwhelm the system.

You see what's happening now, you guys know it as well as I do, you see the long, long lines and early voting. You see the millions of people who have already cast a ballot. And so, don't be intimidated. If in fact you have any, any problem go to — and I don't have the number but it's 833-DEM-VOTE... Call that number. We have over a thousand lawyers, over a thousand of them, they'll answer the phone, if you think there's any challenge to your voting. Go to 833-DEM-VOTE, dial those letters on your phone. That will get you the assistance that we have already put in place.

Thirdly, for those who have already voted, it's not enough, God love you, it's not enough that you voted. You've got to go out and get your friends, you've got to go out and get your family, you've got to go out and get people — there's so many people, like the old days when it used to be a lot easier, there's so many people, when you were able to knock on doors and know that Mrs. Smith didn't have a vehicle, that you'd drive her to the polls. You make sure that you get your friends, your family. Because look, you know as John Lewis said before he passed away, it's really — you have a sacred right and it's a sacred obligation to vote. Particularly young people. You're the ones — if 18 to 24 year-olds, 25 years old, voted in the same percentage that the rest of the population voted in

2016, you know what would happen? We would have had 5.2 million more people voting. You can own the election. You can own the outcome. It really, really, really, really, really matters.

And make the case to your friends, make your case to your friends that they can't complain if they don't vote, and it's going to be counted. It's going to be counted. Because I think the American people are going to show up, Dan, in such large numbers, there's going to be no way to avoid the outcome. And look what he's [Trump's] done from the beginning. Done everything to try to discourage you. Saying he's not sure he'll accept the results, he's not sure what he'll do. I guarantee you he'll accept the results, and he'll be out in — there's no one going to stick with him. You know, he's the only president I know that six of his generals, who've worked directly for him, said he's unfit to be president of the — commander-in-chief. So I'm not worried about any coup here...

But think about everything that's been said. When I said, about three months ago, I think he's going to suggest he may not step down, he may not accept the result of the vote, people said "Oh, there goes Biden." What did he do, two weeks later? It's all designed to try to keep people from voting. So those who have voted, you know how long it took you, how you did it, what you did. Go to — particularly if you have, you know, grandparents or older folks in your neighborhood who you know, and they have an absentee ballot, show them it matters how they fill it out. It's complicated, some of it. They haven't made it easier for people in many states. And by the way, that's why we challenged — it may not hold up — in Pennsylvania, if the Supreme Court were to change it, but now they've allowed the county, if it's postmarked it can be counted all the way for the next several days, which it should be. What you have in Texas, the governor having these drop boxes, one in a county. Some of the counties are as big as my state almost, literally, and the idea there's one drop box?

And so, we're going to be — we're going to have enough people out there policing it, watching it, making sure — do not be intimidated. But go out and help those who you know are going to have physical difficulty getting to a polling place, or may need help on how to get done what they need to get done to vote. IWillVote.com will tell you exactly where you can vote, where you live, what circumstances are available to you. And vote early. Vote early.

And by the way I particularly — one of the things we did — you know, you guys' generation has stepped up. One of the things you may recall that I started arguing for is the need for significantly more young poll workers. Well, thousands of you have showed up. Thousands of you have showed up. Because of COVID, older people who traditionally are the poll watchers and make sure that everything is squared away, they're afraid to show up because they're dying, or they're getting COVID, many of them. They're worried about it, they see what's happening to their friends.

And so what's happening is this election is a generational election. This is this generation's opportunity — not a joke — to take back our democracy. It literally, literally, my word as a Biden is at stake, our democracy is at stake. And you know we all — I have to admit to you — I always heard that, I was a history and political science major in college, I've been involved in public life my whole adult life, but I never really believed it, that it was really, you know, every generation has to earn it. Well guess what, it's in jeopardy, man. It's in jeopardy. Do not be intimidated. Do not be intimidated.

And whether you vote for me or against me, vote. Vote. Vote. There's not a single thing we can't do when the American people stand together. And that's not hyperbole, I mean it. There's nothing, nothing beyond our capability.