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GEORGE
WASHINGTON
1789-1797

"Happiness depends more upon the internal frame of a person's own mind than on the externals in the world."

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JOHN
ADAMS
1797-1801

"[Without] the great political virtues of humility, patience, and moderation ... every man in power becomes a ravenous beast of prey."

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THOMAS
JEFFERSON
1801-1809

"Honesty is the first chapter in the book of wisdom."

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JAMES
MADISON
1809-1817

"Conscience is the most sacred of all property."

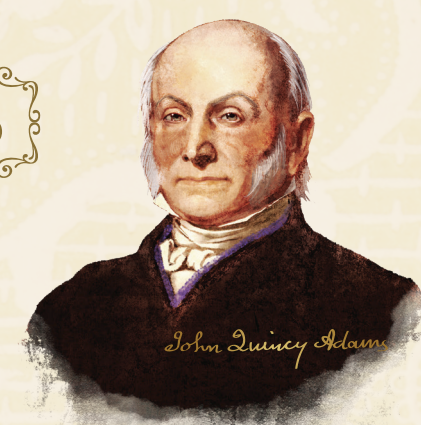
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JAMES
MONROE
1817-1825

"National honor is the national property of the highest value."

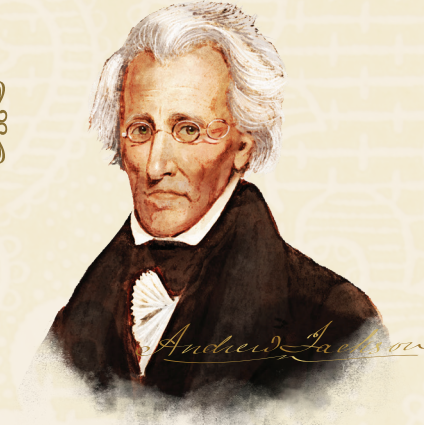
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JOHN QUINCY
ADAMS
1825-1829

"Courage and perseverance have a magical talisman, before which difficulties disappear and obstacles vanish into air."

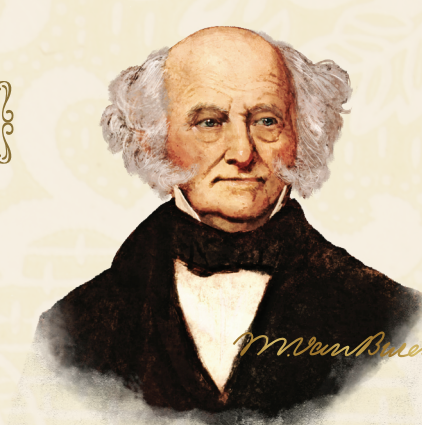
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ANDREW
JACKSON
1829-1837

"Take time to deliberate; but when the time for action arrives, stop thinking and go in."

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MARTIN VAN
BUREN
1837-1841

"It is easier to do a job right than to explain why you didn't."

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WILLIAM HENRY
HARRISON
1841

"I contend that the strongest of all governments is that which is most free."

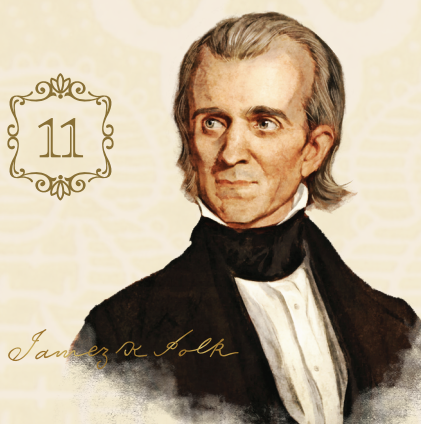
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JOHN
TYLER
1841-1845

"Wealth can only be accumulated by the earnings of industry and the savings of frugality."

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JAMES
K. POLK
1845-1849

"The gratitude of the nation to [the Creator] should be commensurate with the boundless blessings which we enjoy."

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ZACHARY
TAYLOR
1849-1850

"The only ground of hope for the continuance of our free institutions is in the proper moral and religious training of the children."

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MILLARD
FILLMORE
1850-1853

"Let us remember that revolutions do not always establish freedom."

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FRANKLIN
PIERCE
1853-1857

"The storm of frenzy and faction must inevitably dash itself in vain against the unshaken rock of the Constitution."



WISDOM from AMERICA'S PRESIDENTS

These quotes from all American presidents reflect the courage, perseverance, and character that have guided the nation through trials and triumphs

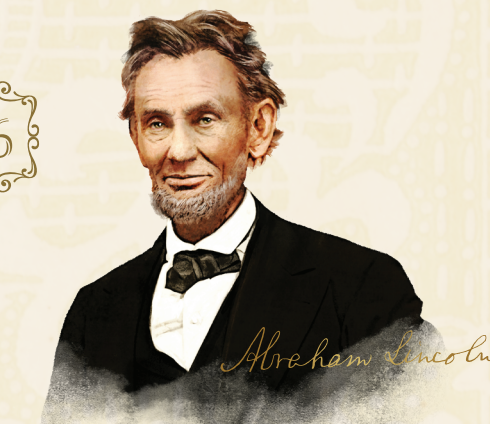
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JAMES
BUCHANAN
1857-1861

"Adversity teaches useful lessons to nations as well as individuals."

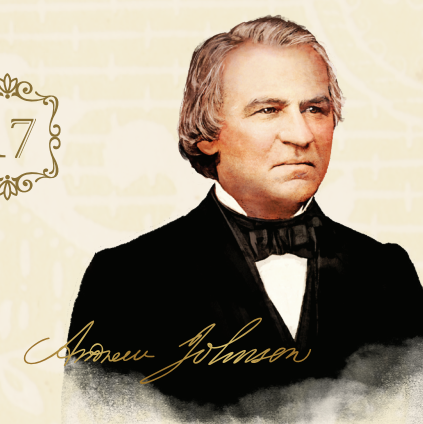
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ABRAHAM
LINCOLN
1861-1865

"You cannot build character and courage by taking away a man's initiative and independence."

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ANDREW
JOHNSON
1865-1869

"Now I will tell you what constitutes my good luck. It is in doing right."

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ULYSSES
S. GRANT
1869-1877

"In every battle there comes a time when both sides consider themselves beaten. Then he who continues the attack wins."

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RUTHERFORD
B. HAYES
1877-1881

"The honor of success is increased by the obstacles which are to be surmounted."

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JAMES
A. GARFIELD
1881

"If hard work is not another name for talent, it is the best possible substitute for it."

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CHESTER
A. ARTHUR
1881-1885

"The prevalence of health, the fullness of the harvests, the stability of peace and order ... all these and countless other blessings are cause for reverent rejoicing."

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GROVER
CLEVELAND
1885-1889

"Whatever you do, tell the truth."

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WILLIAM
HOWARD TAFT
1909-1913

"Life is too valuable to waste in anger and hatred."

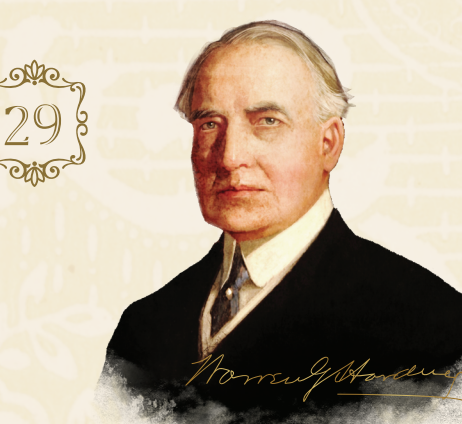
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WOODROW
WILSON
1913-1921

"One cool judgment is worth a thousand hasty counsels. The thing to be supplied is light, not heat."

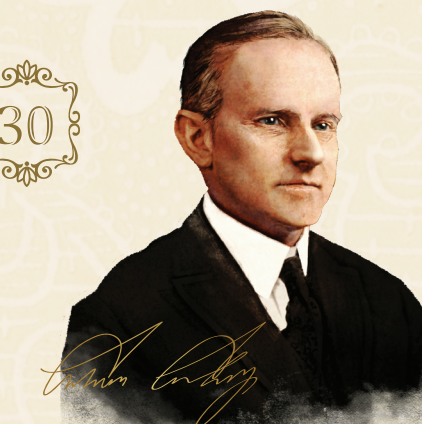
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WARREN
G. HARDING
1921-1923

"America's present need is not heroics but healing; not nostrums but normalcy; not revolution but restoration."

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CALVIN
COOLIDGE
1923-1929

"Little progress can be made by merely attempting to repress what is evil. Our great hope lies in developing what is good."

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HERBERT
HOOVER
1929-1933

"National character cannot be built by law. It is the sum of the moral fiber of its individuals."

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FRANKLIN
D. ROOSEVELT
1933-1945

"To reach a port, we must sail—sail, not tie at anchor—sail, not drift."

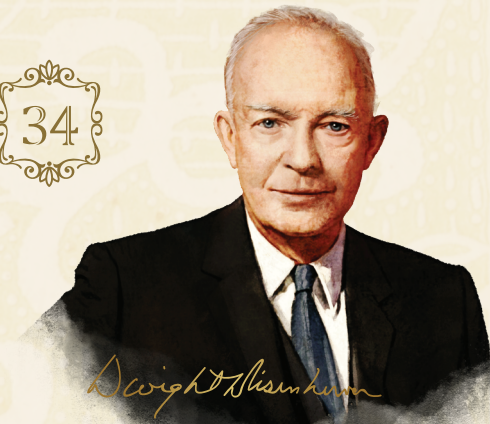
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HARRY
S. TRUMAN
1945-1953

"There is some risk involved in action, there always is. But there is far more risk in failure to act."

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DWIGHT
D. EISENHOWER
1953-1961

"Character in many ways is everything in leadership. It is made up of many things, but I would say character is really integrity."

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JOHN
F. KENNEDY
1961-1963

"In a time of domestic crisis, men of goodwill and generosity should be able to unite regardless of party or politics."

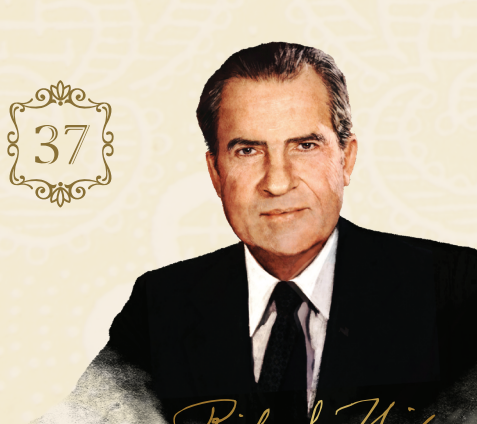
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LYNDON
B. JOHNSON
1963-1969

"Only those who dare to fall greatly can ever achieve much."

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RICHARD
M. NIXON
1969-1974

"Others may hate you. But those who hate you don't win, unless you hate them. And then, you destroy yourself."

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GERALD
R. FORD
1974-1977

"Everybody I've ever met, you can find something good about them. And I think that is a trait we ought to embellish and appreciate rather than discard."

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JIMMY
CARTER
1977-1981

"In every person, there is something fine and pure and noble, along with a desire for self-fulfillment."

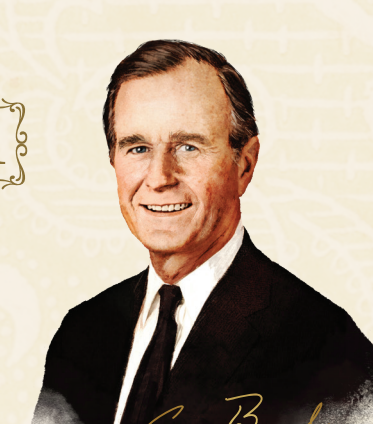
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RONALD
REAGAN
1981-1989

"Peace is not absence of conflict. It is the ability to handle conflict by peaceful means."

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GEORGE
BUSH
1989-1993

"We can find meaning and reward by serving some higher purpose than ourselves. ... We all have something to give."

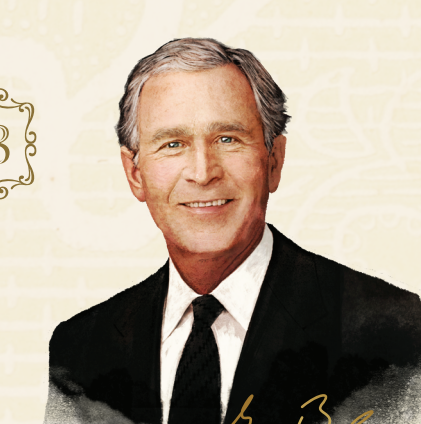
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WILLIAM
J. CLINTON
1993-2001

"If you live long enough, you'll make mistakes. But if you learn from them, you'll be a better person. It's how you handle adversity, not how it affects you."

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GEORGE
W. BUSH
2001-2009

"Too often, we judge other groups by their worst examples, while judging ourselves by our best intentions."

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BARACK
OBAMA
2009-2017

"It is easier to blame others than to look inward. ... But we should choose the right path, not just the easy path."

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DONALD
J. TRUMP
2017-2021

"Watch, listen, and learn. You can't know it all yourself—anyone who thinks they do is destined for mediocrity."

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JOSEPH
R. BIDEN JR.
2021-2025

"Never tell a man what his interests are. Be straight and open with him about your own interests. And try to put yourself in his shoes."

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DONALD
J. TRUMP
2025 -

"If we work together, there is nothing we cannot do and no dream we cannot achieve."