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It is an honor for me to participate in the dedication of this great law building named in honor of the late Dean Albert Turner. I am particularly proud that the moot courtroom is named in honor of the former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court with whom I served, Earl Warren.

People will someday forget who was the governor of California from 1943 to 1953, and, perhaps, many people have already forgotten who was the Republican nominee for the Vice-Presidency in 1948. But so long as the history of our country in the twentieth century is remembered, people will remember Chief Justice Earl Warren. He was an indispensable maker of the history of our times, and his eloquent words in *Brown v. Board of Education* changed for all time the social history of our country. He was a man of great wisdom and character and of great strength and sense. It seems to me that his very greatness stemmed from the fact that he was basically a simple man. He believed and lived by slogans which to us are simply slogans. To him, “the brotherhood of man under the fatherhood of God” was a real credo; he believed it and he lived by it. Many phrases which to most of us in public and private life are no more than clichés, to him were true beliefs by which he always guided his life and his conduct. He was stubborn in his principles, firm in them, but he had a capacity to understand the weaknesses of his fellow men and women, and that, too, added to his strength and greatness. That was the way he was, and to that we can attribute his great qualities of leadership.

I never wavered in my affection and great respect for him. I am proud to have been his colleague and his friend. It seems extremely appropriate to me that the moot courtroom in this new building is to be known as the Earl Warren Courtroom because he, as much as anybody I knew, was a man of whom all America can be proud. I know that I speak for all of those who knew him, and I know he will be remembered always by everybody who remembers the history of our country in the second half of the twentieth century.

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