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THE INAUGURATION OF JOSEPH R. BIDEN

'Democracy's day'

President stresses unity, urges Americans to end 'uncivil war'



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Joe Biden is sworn in by Chief Justice John Roberts (not pictured) as the 46th president of the United States on Wednesday as wife Jill Biden holds the Bible and children Ashley and Hunter observe during the 59th Presidential Inauguration at the U.S. Capitol in Washington.

Pandemic, climate change top his agenda

JONATHAN LEMIRE, ZEKE MILLER AND ALEXANDRA JAFFE
Associated Press

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Vice President Kamala Harris bumps fists with then-President-elect Joe Biden after she was sworn in Wednesday during the inauguration at the U.S. Capitol in Washington.



PATRICK SEMANSKY, ASSOCIATED PRESS

President Joe Biden delivers his inaugural address Wednesday at the U.S. Capitol in Washington.

Montana delegation congratulates president

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BILLINGS — Montana's congressional delegation, divided on accepting the election results of all the states just two weeks ago, congratulated President Joe Biden on Wednesday after attending his inauguration.

U.S. Rep. Matt Rosendale, who had refused the certify the results of two swing states lost by Donald Trump, said in a press release that he would be praying for Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris.

"I was honored to attend the Inauguration today and represent the great state of Montana," Rosendale said. "The inauguration is one of our most sacred institutions of the United States government, and it has been an event that has happened every four years since our constitutional government began. I will continue to hold President Biden and Vice President Harris in my thoughts and prayers as they begin to lead our nation."

Republicans Rosendale and U.S. Sen. Steve Daines were

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Helena schools may return to full time

Families surveyed on returning to in-person classes 5 days a week

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Helena Public Schools is surveying families about the district's response to the COVID-19 pandemic and asking whether students should return to in-person classes five days a week.

According to school district Superintendent Tyler Ream, the survey data will be reviewed by a committee considering changes to the district's current hybrid online and in-person model.

"This will be a single-topic committee with recommendations coming to the board in early February," Ream said. "Right now, we are planning on three meetings in which the committee would review/discuss data and guidance and develop needed changes to our plan and phasing practices."

Ream said the hybrid model put in place during the fall semester was informed by guidance from July 2020, which has since been supplanted by new

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Helena hospital details errors allegedly made by fired oncologist

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According to court documents filed by St. Peter's Health, an oncologist who was dismissed from the hospital last year incorrectly treated a patient for lung cancer for 11 years before it was determined that the person did not have the disease at the time of death.

The hospital's legal counsel also said that it learned of "alarming narcotic prescribing practices" by Dr. Thomas Weiner, who is contesting his dismissal in court. They said several patients came to the facility's Cancer Treatment Center for narcotics prescriptions on the first day of his absence, but there was no documentation that he had ever prescribed these narcotics, "much less a treatment plan to justify the medications."



Weiner

They said the only way they were able to determine what Weiner had prescribed was by reviewing the Montana Prescription Drug Registry, which

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'HISTORY AND HOPE'

Joseph R. Biden Jr. delivers a call to heal after he takes office.

Kamala Harris shatters several barriers as new vice president.



With wife Jill holding a Bible and family members and others watching, Joe Biden on Wednesday is sworn in as the 46th president at the U.S. Capitol. The inauguration was unlike any other as it employed COVID-19 precautions that included social distancing, mask-wearing and a limited crowd size. ANDREW HARNIK/POOL PHOTO VIA AP

By Greg Bluestein | gbluestein@ajc.com
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WASHINGTON — Joseph R. Biden Jr. was sworn in Wednesday as the 46th president after a campaign pledging to reverse a national decline brought on by the coronavirus pandemic, strife over racial inequality and economic turmoil that has forced the nation to confront its most dire challenges in generations.

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'New era' for state: Ossoff, Warnock join U.S. Senate

By Greg Bluestein | gbluestein@ajc.com
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WASHINGTON — Jon Ossoff and Raphael Warnock were sworn into the U.S. Senate on

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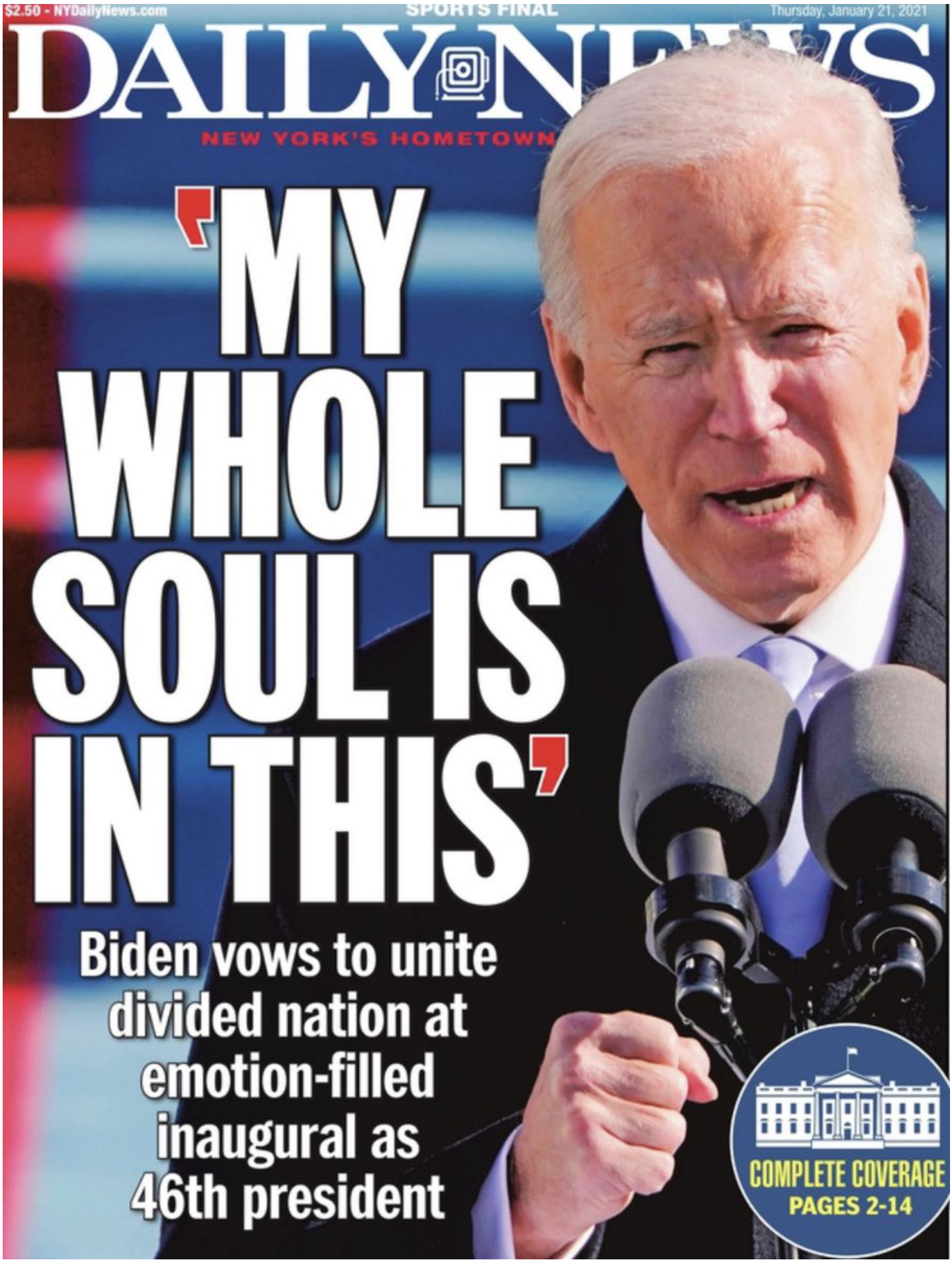

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'DEMOCRACY'S DAY'

New President Biden speaks of hope, then pivots to the serious challenges ahead



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"This is America's day. This is democracy's day. A day of history and hope, of renewal and resolve."

And then he pivoted to challenges ahead, acknowledging the surging virus that has claimed more than 400,000 lives in the United States.

"We have much to do in this winter of peril, and significant possibilities: much to repair, much to restore, much to heal, much to build and much to gain," Biden said.

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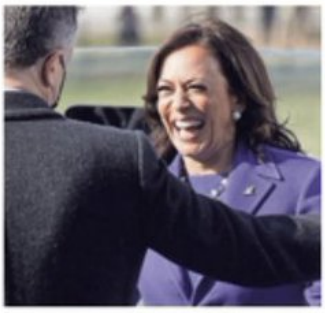

Kamala Harris hugs her husband, Doug Emhoff, after being sworn in as vice president Wednesday at the U.S. Capitol. JONATHAN ERNST/POOL/AFP VIA GETTY IMAGES

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A CALL FOR UNITY

'THE AMERICAN STORY DEPENDS NOT ON ANY ONE OF US, NOT ON SOME OF US, BUT ON ALL OF US'



Joe Biden is sworn in as the 46th president of the United States by Chief Justice John Roberts as Jill Biden holds the Bible during the 59th presidential inauguration at the U.S. Capitol in Washington on Wednesday. PHOTOS BY AP

"We've seen a force that would shatter our nation rather than share it,

Would destroy our country if it meant delaying democracy.

And this effort very nearly succeeded.

But while democracy can be periodically delayed,

It can never be



Kamala Harris is sworn in as the first female U.S. vice president — and the first Black woman and the first person of South Asian descent to hold the position — by Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor, with Harris' husband, Douglas Emhoff, holding the Bible for her.

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Biden Calls for Unity

'We must end this uncivil war that pits red against blue'



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President Biden, with first lady Jill Biden at his side, is sworn in as the nation's 46th leader at the Capitol on Wednesday by Chief Justice John Roberts.

By Catherine Lucey And Ken Thomas

WASHINGTON—Joe Biden was sworn in as the 46th president of the United States on Wednesday, calling for unity as he assumed leadership of a nation battered by a once-in-a-century pandemic and the recent deadly storming of the U.S. Capitol.

At a midday ceremony overshadowed by health and safety concerns, Mr. Biden was sworn in by Chief Justice John Roberts, repeating the oath of office on the west steps of the Capitol with his hand on a family Bible. The inauguration was attended by a relatively small, distanced audience, a contrast to the crowds that typically line the National Mall to celebrate a new administration.

Declaring "democracy has prevailed" in the face of repeated challenges to the election results, Mr. Biden implored the public to stand together in the face of division and crisis.

"We must end this uncivil war that pits red against blue," Mr. Biden, a Democrat, said. "Or rural versus urban, conservative versus liberal. We can do this if we open our souls instead of hardening our hearts."

Former President Donald Trump became the first president to skip his successor's inauguration in 150 years, instead leaving Washington for his Florida estate early in the morning, vowing in his final public comments as president,

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Executive Orders Lay Out Broad Agenda

By Alex Leary

WASHINGTON—President Biden on his first day in office took a range of executive actions, including implementing a national mask mandate on federal property, revoking a permit for the Keystone XL oil pipeline and reversing a travel ban from several largely Muslim and African countries.

Coming after Mr. Biden was inaugurated as the 46th president in a midday ceremony, the actions are intended to signal a more aggressive approach to the coronavirus pandemic and end some of former President Donald Trump's key policies while setting the agenda for the next four years.

Mr. Biden, a Democrat, signed executive orders from the Oval Office in the late afternoon. "I thought there's no time to wait. Get to work immediately," he said, sitting at the Resolute Desk and wearing a mask.

Mr. Biden signed 15 executive orders and two executive actions on his first day in office, far more than any of his modern predecessors, none of whom signed more than one.

Mr. Trump signed an order on his Inauguration Day aimed at reversing the Affordable Care Act, while Barack Obama didn't sign any on Jan. 20, 2009. Bill Clinton signed an ethics order on his first day. All of them signed additional orders during their first week in office.

Mr. Biden's orders cover domestic and international matters, including ceasing Mr. Trump's withdrawal from the World Health Organization and rejoining the Paris climate accord.

"These are two early steps to advance the president's ambition to re-engage in the world," said incoming national security adviser Jake Sullivan.

Rejoining the Paris pact would be only a first step in Mr. Biden's broad effort to elevate climate change to a crisis among his administration's top priorities.

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A Day Of Firsts For Vice President



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Kamala Harris is the first woman, first Black person and first person of Indian descent to become vice president. Presiding over the Senate, she also gives Democrats a tie-breaking vote in the evenly divided chamber. **A3**

President, Tested by Tragedy, Faces Tough Challenge Ahead

By Gerald F. Seib

ANALYSIS

Over the past five decades, Joe Biden endured multiple personal tragedies and saw his political obituary written over and over again—yet always found a way to pick up the pieces and move forward.

On Wednesday, he was inaugurated as the nation's 46th president and proceeded to tell the nation it could do the same: pick up the pieces and move forward. Simple as that sounds, in the harsh environment of 2021 it will be as tough as nearly any previous test Mr. Biden has faced.

Mr. Biden was sworn in amid extraordinary circumstances: an ongoing pandemic, the glaring absence of an outgoing president who refused to accept the legitimacy of last year's election, the scars of a mob attack designed to prevent him from taking office still visible on the Capitol just behind him, the nation's first woman and first minority vice president at his side.

Any one of those conditions would have made the occasion historic. Put them all together and you had an inaugural unlike any America has ever seen, or is likely to see again. All of which gave extra poignancy to the ques-

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Biden: It's time to unite, heal, rebuild

The first 100 days: New president begins his ambitious agenda.
The vice president: Harris opens new chapter in U.S. history.



Joseph Robinette Biden Jr. — with his hand on his family Bible held by his wife, Jill — is sworn in Wednesday as the 46th president of the United States, rising to the pinnacle of a career in public leadership that began a half-century ago and now forces him to confront the challenges dividing a nation. "This is our historic moment of crisis and change. And unity is the path forward," he said. "And we must meet this moment as the United States of America. If we do that, I guarantee you we will not fail." *Alex Wong, Getty Images*



Vice President Kamala Harris' historic swearing-in shatters gender and racial barriers. *Saul Loeb, pool via AP*



The Capitol complex was encircled by security forces evocative of a war zone. *Stephanie Keith, Getty Images*



Containing the coronavirus is one of the new administration's top priorities. *Michael M. Santiago, Getty Images*

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BIDEN: 'DEMOCRACY HAS PREVAILED'

New president speaks of hopes, then pivots to the serious challenges ahead



Joe Biden is sworn in as president of the United States during the 2021 presidential inauguration along with Vice President Kamala Harris on Wednesday at the U.S. Capitol. Biden's wife, Jill Biden, holds the Bible. ROBERT DEUTSCH/USA TODAY

Jonathan Lemire, Zeke Miller and Alexandra Jaffe
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Biden's inauguration came at a time of national tumult and uncertainty, a ceremony of resilience as the hallowed American democratic rite unfurled at a U.S. Capitol battered by an insurrectionist siege just two weeks ago. The chilly Washington morning was dotted with snow flurries,

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Kamala Harris hugs her husband, Doug Emhoff, after being sworn in as vice president at the U.S. Capitol on Wednesday. JONATHAN ERNST/POOL/AFP VIA GETTY IMAGES

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Joseph Biden — his hand on a family Bible held by wife, Jill Biden — is sworn in Wednesday as the 46th president of the United States, the pinnacle of a career in public leadership that began a half-century ago. Now he will be forced to confront a series of convulsing challenges that have divided the nation. *Alex Wong, Getty Images*

Toluse Olorunnipa and Annie Linskey *Washington Post*

Joseph Robinette Biden Jr. was sworn in Wednesday as the 46th president of the United States, pledging to confront an array of convulsing challenges and bring healing and unity to a deeply fractured nation.

"This is our historic moment of crisis and challenge," Biden said in an inaugural address that called on America to end its "uncivil war" and embrace a united front amid a series of daunting crises. "Unity is the path forward. And we must meet this moment as the United States of America. If we do that, I guarantee you we will not fail."

With his hand on his thick family Bible and his wife, Jill Biden, by his side, Biden recited the oath administered by Chief Justice John Roberts. The moment marked the pinnacle of a career in public leadership that began a half-century ago.

Moments before, Kamala Harris took her oath of office, making her the country's first female vice president, and also the first Black American

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Trump flies to Florida

His presidency over, Donald Trump bid farewell to Washington, hinting at a comeback despite a legacy of chaos. **A11**

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Amanda Gorman, the youngest inaugural poet ever, summons America's better angels in stunning, urgent poem. **A10**

Vice President Kamala Harris's historic swearing-in shatters gender and racial barriers. *Saul Loeb, Associated Press*

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'DEMOCRACY HAS PREVAILED'

Joe Biden takes office as the 46th president of a nation weary of death and discord, with Kamala Harris, first woman and first Black and Indian vice president



PATRICK SEMANSKY / THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

President Joe Biden delivers his inaugural address at the U.S. Capitol after being sworn in Wednesday by Chief Justice John Roberts. Biden's ceremony was unique among the 59 U.S. presidential inaugurations, with a heavy military and police presence and a dearth of spectators, due to the Jan. 6 riot at the Capitol and the pandemic.

By PETER BAKER
The New York Times

WASHINGTON — Joseph Robinette Biden Jr. was sworn in Wednesday as the 46th president of the United States, assuming leadership of a country ravaged by disease, dislocation and division with a call to "end this uncivil war" after four tumultuous years that tore at the fabric of American society.

Biden sought to immediately turn the corner on Donald Trump's polarizing presidency, inviting Republicans to join him in confronting the nation's dire economic, social and health crises even as he began dismantling his predecessor's legacy with orders to halt construction of his border wall, lift his travel ban and rejoin the Paris climate agreement.

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Vice President Kamala Devi Harris was sworn in a few min-



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Vice President Kamala Harris turns toward her husband, Doug Emhoff, after taking the oath of office at the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C., on Wednesday. President-elect Joe Biden, whose swearing-in followed, is at right.

Harris steps into history; here's what lies ahead for new VP

By KATIE GLUECK AND MICHAEL CROWLEY
The New York Times

WASHINGTON — Vice President Kamala Harris represented the march of history when she was sworn in Wednesday by Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor. As a Californian of Jamaican and Indian descent, she is the first woman and the first woman of color to hold the nation's second-highest office.

It was a landmark moment. Hours later, Harris was on the job, returning to the U.S. Capitol to execute her constitutional role as president of the Senate and to swear in three new Democratic senators: Jon Ossoff and Raphael Warnock, the two Democrats elected in a Georgia special election this month, and Alex Padilla,

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Biden: 'We have much to do in this winter of peril'

BY JONATHAN LEMIRE, ZEKE MILLER AND ALEXANDRA JAFFE
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

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History was made at his side, as Kamala Harris became the first woman to be vice president. The former U.S. senator from California is also the first Black person and the first person of South Asian descent elected to the vice presidency and the highest-ranking woman ever to serve in the U.S. government.

Biden never mentioned his predecessor, who defied tradition and left town ahead of the ceremony, but his speech was an implicit rebuke of Donald Trump. The new president denounced "lies told for power and for profit" and was blunt about the challenges ahead.

Central among them: the surging virus that has claimed more than 400,000 lives in the United States, as well as economic strains and a national reckoning over race.

"We have much to do in this winter of peril, and significant possibilities. Much to repair, much to restore, much to heal, much to build and much to gain," Biden said. "Few people in our nation's history have been more challenged, or found a time more challenging or difficult than the time we're in now."

Biden was eager to go big early, with an ambitious first 100 days including a push to

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After their inauguration Wednesday, President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris arrive at Arlington National Cemetery for a wreath-laying ceremony.

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"Politics need not be a raging fire destroying everything in its path. Every disagreement doesn't have to be a cause for total war. And we must reject a culture in which facts themselves are manipulated and even manufactured. My fellow Americans, we have to be different than this. America has to be better than this. And I believe America is better than this."

— President Joe Biden, *in his inaugural address*

CHANGING OF THE GUARD

A call for unity

Joe Biden inaugurated as 46th president amid a cascade of crises



ANDREW HARNIK / AP (POOL)

Joe Biden is sworn in as the 46th president of the United States by Chief Justice John Roberts as Jill Biden holds the Bible during the 59th Presidential Inauguration Wednesday at the U.S. Capitol. Watching at center are the Bidens' children, Ashley and Hunter.

By Peter Baker
The New York Times Company

WASHINGTON — Joseph Robinette Biden Jr. was sworn in as the 46th president of the United States on Wednesday, taking office at a moment of profound economic, health and political crises with a promise to seek unity after a tumultuous four years that tore at the fabric of American society.

With his hand on a 5-inch-thick Bible that has been in his family for 128 years, Biden recited the 35-word oath of office swearing to "preserve, protect and defend the Constitution" in a ceremony administered by Chief Justice John Roberts, completing the process at 11:49 a.m., 11 minutes before the authority of the presidency formally changes hands.

The ritual transfer of power came shortly after Kamala Harris was sworn in as vice president by Justice Sonia Sotomayor, her hand on a Bible that once belonged to Thurgood Marshall, the civil rights icon and Supreme Court justice. Harris' ascension made her the highest-ranking woman in U.S. history and the first Black American and first person of South Asian descent to hold the nation's second-highest office.

In his inaugural address, Biden declared that "democracy

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Small group turns out in Carson City to protest inauguration

By Ricardo Torres-Cortez and John Sadler
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CARSON CITY — As Joe Biden recited the oath office and officially became the 46th president of the United States, a Northern Nevada man thousands of miles away appeared to mourn the death of a nation, gripping a red, white and blue sign that read, "AMERICA DIED TODAY: R.I.P."

The anti-Biden protester was one of the first to show Wednesday morning at the Nevada Capitol complex for a demonstration to refute the months-long results of a

Harris' history-making role includes an influential voice and tiebreaking vote

By Michael Crowley and Katie Glueck
The New York Times Company



ANDREW HARNIK / AP

WASHINGTON — Hours after she was sworn in as America's 49th vice president, becoming the first woman and first woman of color in the job, Kamala Harris returned to the U.S. Capitol for her first official act: the swearing-in of three newly elected Democratic senators.

Harris acted in her constitutional role as president of the Senate when she gave the oath of office to two Democrats elected in a Georgia special election this month and to her own successor to the California seat she resigned Monday. But the ceremony also illustrated how important the Senate will be to the start of her tenure as vice president in the Biden administration.

With the Senate divided 50-50 between Republicans and Democrats, and newly inaugurated President Joe Biden hoping to pass ambitious legisla-

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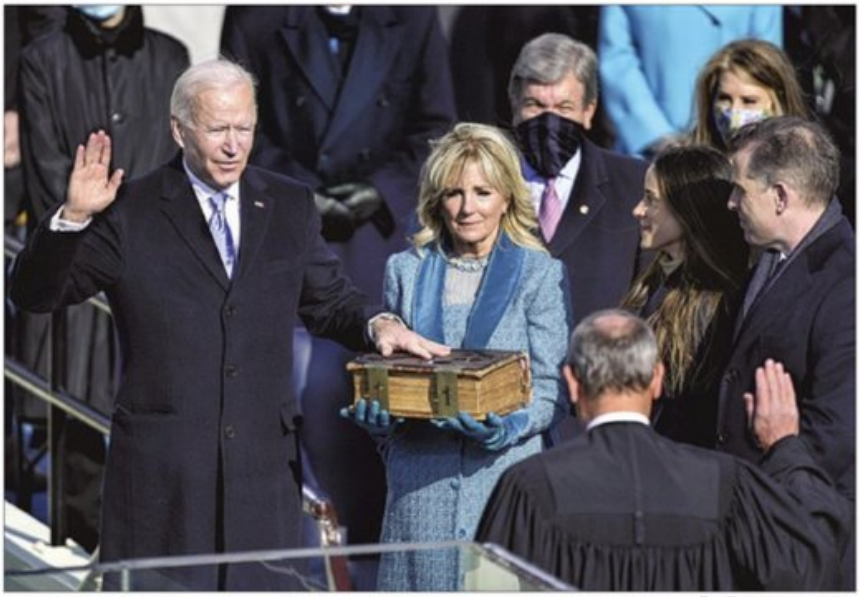
HARRIS IS SWORN IN AS HISTORY-MAKING VP

46th president calls for unity as a bold challenge to a nation torn by crises



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PRESIDENT BIDEN, after being sworn in by Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr., soon got to work reversing controversial Trump policies.

BY JANET HOOK AND JENNIFER HABERKORN

WASHINGTON — Joseph Robinette Biden Jr. was inaugurated as the 46th president of the United States on Wednesday, assuming office amid several crises after routing a predecessor who fought to stay in power, and clearing the way for a beleaguered nation to turn the page on one of the most divisive chapters in its political history.

Before taking his oath on the Capitol's West Front, Biden saw a historic barrier shattered as Kamala Harris, formerly a senator from California, was sworn in as the first woman, Black person and South Asian American to become vice president. Sonia Sotomayor, the first Latina Supreme Court justice, administered Harris' oath.

In his inaugural address, Biden tried to rally the country to meet the historic challenges of COVID-19, a struggling economy, racial tensions and political divisions that have provoked violence and death.

"To overcome these challenges, to restore the soul and secure the future of America, requires so much more than words and requires the most elusive of all things in a democracy: unity," the new Democratic president said.

Calling for unity is an inaugural staple, but Biden's appeal resonated due to the country's dire straits. He plainly was banking on Americans' desire to transcend politics and find ways to quell extremists' violence, control the pandemic, rebuild the economy and, even for some Republicans, put the Trump era behind them.

Without ever naming former President Trump in his 21-minute address, Biden made pointed note of the lingering damage from his predecessor's postelection campaign to stay in power, which tested the foundations of democracy — damage that was literally evident in places throughout the Capitol, which had been violently invaded just 14 days before by supporters of the outgoing Republican president.

"We have learned again that democracy is precious, democracy is fragile, and at this hour, democracy has prevailed," the new president said.

Still, Biden's message most likely fell flat among the many Republicans who, swayed by Trump's false claims that the election was rigged against him, refuse to accept the legitimacy of Biden's presidency.

"At this moment, we are a divided country," said Rep. Lee Zeldin (R-N.Y.), one of those in Congress who backed Trump's efforts to overturn the election result.

Biden's address, while urging conciliation, was laden with stinging implied indictments of his prede-

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ANALYSIS

Message of healing and fight for truth

BY DAVID LAUTER AND TYRONE BEASON

WASHINGTON — There was never a doubt President Biden would call for unity at his swearing-in — the declaration that "we are the *United* States of America" peppered his speeches throughout the long presidential campaign.

"Unity" appeared a dozen times in Wednesday's 21-minute speech and as the topic of a proclamation for a Day of Unity that the new president signed shortly after he took the oath.

But at an inauguration surrounded by troops and high fences, amid unprecedented levels of security to protect against potential attack by supporters of his defeated predecessor, in the shadow of a Capitol still marred by a deadly riot just two weeks ago, Biden this time coupled those calls with something sterner:

"The recent weeks and months have taught us a

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KAMALA HARRIS walks to the White House after the inauguration. In a landmark first, a woman entered the heart of American power as vice president.

'Walking to work,' blazing a trail

BY NOAH BIERMAN AND MELANIE MASON

WASHINGTON — Kamala Devi Harris strutted between the metal barricades and the sparse crowd along Pennsylvania Avenue, clutching her grandniece's hand and waving at cheering supporters. As she approached the White House, she locked arms with her husband and walked between the gates and up the stairs of the Eisenhower Executive Office Building, the trumpets blaring as she made history.

For the first time since the country's founding, a woman — a daughter of immigrants from India and Jamaica — was entering the heart of American power as vice president.

"Just walking to work," she said along the way, laughing.

It was one of many scaled-down moments Wednesday, an Inauguration Day for Harris that was

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President Joe Biden and first lady Jill Biden wave as they arrive at the North Portico of the White House on Wednesday in Washington.

President calls for unity, denounces a national 'uncivil war'

Biden, Harris take oaths of office at U.S. Capitol that was besieged by rioters two weeks earlier.

Jonathan Lemire, Zeke Miller and Alexandra Jaffe
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Joe Biden was sworn in as the 46th president of the United States on Wednesday, declaring that "democracy has prevailed" and summoning American resilience and unity to confront the deeply divided nation's historic confluence of crises.

Denouncing a national "uncivil war," Biden took the oath at a U.S. Capitol that had been battered by an insurrectionist siege just two weeks earlier. Then, taking his place in the White House Oval Office,



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Former President Barack Obama greets Vice President-elect Kamala Harris ahead of President-elect Joe Biden's inauguration Wednesday at the U.S. Capitol in Washington.

On Day One, Biden targets Trump policies on climate, virus

ALASKA

Biden blocks drilling in ANWR

Temporary moratorium on oil and gas activity in ANWR is among president's first acts.

Alex DeMarban
Anchorage Daily News

President Joe Biden signed an executive order placing a temporary moratorium on oil and gas activity in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, hours after his inauguration on Wednesday and one day after the Trump administration issued nine oil and gas leases in the refuge's coastal plain.

The moratorium was one of several actions Biden