

Ready Or Not

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TIMECODE	VISUAL	AUDIO
00:00:10		Marcel McClinton: Hi, this is Marcel McClinton. I'm running for Houston City Council At-Large 3.
00:00:15		Phone Donor: Yeah, sure, I remember. You're the guy running for city council.
00:00:18		Marcel: I am. I am. Yes.
00:00:19		Phone Donor: Okay, okay.
00:00:20		Marcel: Do you have a second to chat with me real quick?
00:00:23		Phone Donor: Not really, but how about this? I'll send another donation via your website, help you keep going. Would that be okay?
00:00:29		Marcel: Sure. Awesome. Thanks so much. Have a good one. Bye.
00:00:32		Marcel: Folks on my team, they were just like, "When you're doing call time, pull out your Rolodex." I was like, "Pull out my Rolodex? What the fuck is a Rolodex?" Do you know what a Rolodex is?
	TITLE CARD OVER BLACK: LIVE ACTION PROJECTS PRESENTS	
00:00:43	NEWS CHYRON: NATIONWIDE WALKOUT FOR GUN CONTROL	Newscaster 1: Thousands of students across the country walked out of school today to protest gun violence.
00:00:48	NEWS CHYRON: FINAL PLANS BEING MADE FOR SATURDAY'S MARCH	Newscaster 2: These kids like Marcel McClinton have planned it all.
00:00:52		Marcel: Show me what democracy looks like.

00:00:54		Protestors: This is what democracy looks like.
00:00:56		Marcel: You shift that sadness and pain of your personal trauma into anger to demand change.
00:01:04	TITLE CARD OVER BLACK: A DAVID MODIGLIANI FILM	David Hogg: We can, and we will, change the world.
00:01:09		Tommy Vietor: On the line is Marcel McClinton. You are like a bonafide celebrity. I should be thanking you for coming on.
00:01:16		Marcel: How are you doing? Marcel.
00:01:17		Beto O'Rourke: Marcel?
00:01:17		Marcel: Yeah, nice to meet you.
00:01:18		Beto: Nice to meet you.
00:01:19	TITLE CARD OVER BLACK: CO-DIRECTED BY PALOMA MARTINEZ	Beto: Keep me in the loop. Not just on this, but whatever you're going to do next.
00:01:28	CARVING IN STONE: CITY HALL	City Hall Employee: That's it.
00:01:29		Marcel: Cool. We're official. We're official. We're official.
00:01:33	NEWS CHYRON: TEENAGE SHOOTING SURVIVOR RUNNING FOR HOUSTON CITY COUNCIL	Newscaster: Marcel McClinton. This 17-year-old is a co-organizer of March for Our Lives in Houston, and a non-partisan candidate running for a seat on Houston's City Council.
00:01:42	TITLE CARD OVER BLACK: PRODUCERS RACHEL ECKLUND PALOMA MARTINEZ DAVID MODIGLIANI	Newscaster: The 17 year-old is up for challenging Councilman Michael Kubosh for the At-Large Position 3 seat.

00:01:48		Michael Kubosh: I have grandchildren that are older than him.
00:01:52		Marcel: Hello. Hello. Hello. Hello.
00:01:54		Marcel: There's little hope in the state leg right now, and there's not much hope in D.C. City council is your last line of defense.
	TITLE CARD OVER BLACK: READY OR NOT	
	TIME ID OVER CITYSCAPE, FADE IN/OUT: 2019	
	SUBTITLE: <i>You're not going to the prom if you don't fix your grades.</i>	
00:02:22		Marion: You're not going to the prom if you don't fix your grades.
00:02:26		Marcel: I know. I'm not graduating either if I don't fix my grades.
00:02:29		Marion: Tomorrow, you have to work.
00:02:31	LOWER THIRD, FADE IN/OUT: MARION McCLINTON <i>Marcel's Mom</i>	Marcel: Mm-hmm. 'Til 6:00.
00:02:32		Marion: So, that means the whole Sunday, you have no time to look at it.
00:02:36		Marcel: So, if I set my alarm for 9:00, 8:00.
00:02:41		Marion: Oh, you know, I'm a school bus driver. I can set it for you at 6:00 a.m.
00:02:47		Marcel: No, so I'll set my alarm. When I set my alarm-
00:02:51		Marion: Give me a time. Make it serious.
00:02:53		Marcel: I have no idea. I have no idea. What time do you think I should wake up?
00:02:58		Marion: 7:00.
00:02:59		Marcel: I'll wake up at 7:45.

00:03:02		Marion: 7:30.
00:03:04		Marcel: 7:35. I can do 7:30.
00:03:08		Marion: Good. So, no going out today. Getting up-
00:03:10		Marcel: I'm not going out. I didn't plan on it.
00:03:12		Marion: ... and getting up early tomorrow, 7:30.
00:03:14		Marcel: Yes, I know. I know.
00:03:15		Marion: I love you.
00:03:16		Marcel: Love you, too.
00:03:22		Marcel: So, this was due a month ago, and I'll start it this week. This is chapter 11 thing for accounting. We're now on chapter 14.
00:03:33		Marcel: I started missing school a bunch last year when I started just getting really involved in the activism and organizing the march and stuff and leaving for meetings.
00:03:41		Marcel: Sometimes I'd think I didn't have to do this my senior year. I could not be stressed about make-up work and graduating on time. I could be going to grad parties and do just whatever, and then go to college, and then run for office.
00:04:00	<p><i>TITLE CARD OVER CONFERENCE ROOM, FADE IN/OUT:</i></p> <p><i>Drawn to Marcel's effective activism and his rising star, a few political operatives and a first-time campaign manager have signed on to support his candidacy.</i></p>	Marcel: I really have 20 days to take all of my tests, take all of my quizzes, do all of my projects, and not fail them, and run a campaign.

00:04:27		Marcel: So, the team of folks who have come together are veterans involved in local politics. Even if they realize or believe that this is a really long-shot campaign, I think they all really believe in the vision that we're trying to bring to the city and the change we're trying to bring.
00:04:44		Elvonte: All right, so right now, my challenge to Marcel is make sure that your why is the strongest thing in the room. We're your how. You're our why.
00:04:53	LOWER THIRD, FADE ON: ELVONTE PATTON Campaign Manager	Elvonte: I think any time from here on out, when someone asks you, "Why are you running?", we need to know. The why has to be powerful as hell. Simple as that. That's all I want you to focus on, outside of fundraising, is that why. Why are you running? That's what we're thinking about now.
00:05:11	TIME ID OVER BLACK, FADE IN/OUT: 2016	Elvonte: Why are you running?
00:05:15	NEWS CHYRON: FRIEND SAYS MASS SHOOTING SUSPECT HAD PTSD	Newscaster: A gunman and at least one other person are dead following a shooting this afternoon in Houston. Police say two armed suspects shot three-
00:05:30		Marcel: So, I was 14, and I was teaching Sunday school. The pastor came into the room at 10:00 a.m., and she just said, "They're shooting. They're shooting." Get the kids.
00:05:41		Marcel: He was right outside. We watched him right outside the window. My little kids, I remember them shaking, and their eyes and how there's a look of fear that you can't mimic.
00:05:58		Marcel: It was just ...

00:06:10		Newscaster: Houston Police telling us these suspects fired 212 rounds in about an hour-and-a-half.
00:06:15		Marcel: It was a war zone.
00:06:17		Churchgoers: Active shooter.
00:06:19		Marcel: We were pretty positive we were going to die. It's the one thing that I honestly can't describe, being so confident that these are your last moments.
00:06:33	<p>NEWS CHYRON: CHURCH HOLDS COMMUNITY PRAYER TO HONOR MASS SHOOTING VICTIMS</p>	Newscaster: This church was on lockdown for four hours.
00:06:36		Newscaster: Two people, including the gunman, are dead.
00:06:38	<p>NEWS CHYRON: TWO DEAD, SIX INJURED IN DEADLY SHOOTING SPREE IN WEST HOUSTON</p>	Newscaster: ... where this happened, and his targets, all appeared to be random.
00:06:44		Marcel: And that's when it all started.
00:06:48		Marcel: I was really inspired by the Parkland students and just started getting educated.
00:06:53		Marcel: This isn't some distant reality that we're all becoming crazy about. The truth is, kids are scared to go to school.
00:06:58		Marcel: And even then, it was still trying to find my role in the movement. I wanted to do something more, but I didn't know what that more was. And so I served on the Mayor's Gun Violence Prevention Task-Force.
00:07:11		Newscaster: The Mayor has asked this commission to come up with solutions on how to prevent gun violence.
00:07:17		Marcel: The Mayor committed to getting our ideas and our thoughts regarding school safety, in particular, but also all other forms of gun violence that happen in this city.

00:07:25	NEWS HEADLINE: <i>Houston Commission Against Gun Violence releases recommendations</i>	Marcel: We created a package of recommendations that the city council could enact to prevent gun violence and do that tomorrow, and it's gone nowhere. They're still sitting on people's desks and have not been read or voted on.
00:07:40	NEWS HEADLINE: <i>Mayor's Commission Against Gun Violence Releases Second Report</i>	Marcel: Council members like Kubosh, they just don't care anymore. As long as they're safe and have got their suits on and their plaque is still up there, they're comfortable. And that pissed me off a lot, and so I wanted to change that.
00:07:54	SOCIAL MEDIA INSERT: <i>Truth is... this is my seat after Nov 5, Councilmember Kubosh.</i>	Marcel: This is my seat after November 5th.
00:07:59		Marcel: We need to take power back, and so I'm running for city council.
00:08:16		Marcel: What? What What?
00:08:21		Marcel: Football is the best sport ever invented by man. It's incredible.
00:08:27		Friend: Yeah.
00:08:28		Marcel: Hell, yeah.
00:08:32		Marcel: Lock it up, D.
00:08:35	SUBTITLE: <i>I appreciate y'all so much.</i>	Coach: I appreciate y'all so much.
00:08:36		Marcel: Any time, Coach. Any time, Coach. Any time. Any time, Coach.
00:08:42		Marcel: Three years that I played left tackle, you're responsible for the quarterback's blindside, so there's a lot of responsibility that goes into that.
00:08:50		Marcel: Watching the game today, I missed playing the sport. Imagine having your back turned to the stands and having your best friends cheering you on.

00:08:58		Marcel: But, there's no way I could have been to summer practices this year. We have workouts June, July, and then practice all of August, and there was no way I could commit to doing that.
00:09:08		Marcel: Spartan pride, Spartan pride, Spartan pride.
00:09:15		Marcel: You either buy into the sport, or you buy into something else. And I bought into activism.
00:09:23		Marcel: Good job. Good job.
00:09:33		Marcel: So, Houston is 600-something square miles, so it's a big-ass city. There are 11 districts in the city, and there are five at-large seats.
00:09:44		Marcel: So, at-large seats are the entire city. You represent all of these districts, and everyone in these districts can vote for you or against you. And so, you're not challenging anyone in these separate districts. It's city-wide.
00:09:58		Marcel: So, I'm running in At-Large 3, Michael Kubosh's seat. Everyone is saying, "Run in an open seat because incumbents up for a second term are really hard to defeat."
00:10:08		Marcel: I said, "I don't know, though. This guy, Kubosh-"
00:10:10		Kubosh: I'm conservative and pro-family and pro-life.
00:10:14		Marcel: I just thought that there's such a huge contrast between Kubosh and myself. It's so clear, and it's everything. It's the age. It's our race. It's what we believe in, how we talk.
00:10:28		Kubosh: Do you really trust the state government? I just simply don't trust them. I told you when I ran-
00:10:33		Marcel: It has to be him.

00:10:37		Marcel: The other person in our race, Janaeya Carmouche.
00:10:40		Janaeya: Everyone say, "J.C. for 3."
00:10:42		Crowd: "J.C for 3."
00:10:43		Janaeya: "J.C. for 3."
00:10:44		Crowd: "J.C. for 3."
00:10:45	LOWER THIRD, FADE ON/OFF: JANAeya CARMOUCHE <i>Another Challenger for Kubosh's Seat</i>	Janaeya: That way you don't have to struggle with my long name. Just remember that. This is a surreal moment...
00:10:51		Janaeya: The most popular question that I've received is how can you release Kubosh's stronghold on the African-American community?
00:10:59		Kubosh Ally: Good to see you, man.
00:11:01		Janaeya: So, Michael Kubosh sued the City of Houston to disassemble red light cameras.
00:11:07	NEWS CHYRON: COUNCIL BANS CAMERAS	Kubosh: They're red light scameras. They just scam the public. They're not for safety.
00:11:12		Janaeya: That resonated with communities that feel over-policed, and so they developed relationships within the African-American community.
00:11:20	SUBTITLE: <i>This man has proven himself.</i>	Pastor Nash: This man has proven himself. I don't know sometimes if he's black or white, but he's our friend. We're kind of like family almost.
	SUBTITLE: <i>I don't know sometimes if he's black or white.</i>	
00:11:31	SUBTITLE: <i>We won the red light camera issue.</i>	Kubosh: We won the red light camera issue, and that's what people remember me for. I stood up against the giants, and I won.
	SUBTITLE: <i>And that's what people remember me for.</i>	

00:11:41	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>I stood up against the giants...</i></p>	<p>Marcel: The challenges of running in Kubosh's seat are one, his name recognition in the city because of his bail bonds business where for over 26 years, he's been handing out Kubosh Law Firm t-shirts, having fish fries and crawfish boils and everything else.</p>
00:11:57		<p>Marcel: He's the guy you go to if your cousin, brother, or you go to jail. You call up Kubosh, and he's going to get you out. But then, heaven forbid he take your house like he did five times to people.</p>
00:12:09	<p>TITLE CARD OVER CITYSCAPE, FADE IN/OUT: <i>Kubosh won 62% of the vote in the last election. If Marcel and Janaeya can bring Kubosh under 50%, the top two candidates will compete in a runoff.</i></p> <p>TITLE CARD OVER BUILDING, FADE IN/OUT: <i>9 MONTHS UNTIL ELECTION</i></p>	<p>Marcel: I think the most logical way to win is he's going to get a lot of votes. I think, logically, we're looking to take him into a run-off into December. Just keep him below 50% with Janaeya's help.</p>
00:12:43	<p>LOWER THIRD, FADE ON/OFF: <i>CHRISTOPHER YOUNG Campaign Political Consultant</i></p>	<p>Christopher Young: What is different from the person that you're running against? You probably need to pick a few issues. What do you think was the number one important issue to people in Houston?</p>
00:12:50		<p>Marcel: Flooding.</p>
00:12:50		<p>Chris: Nope.</p>
00:12:51		<p>Marcel: Really?</p>

00:12:52		Chris: Nope. Traffic. But I wanted you to know.
00:12:54		Marcel: Okay.
00:12:55		Chris: When they just ask people in Houston what they think about, that's what they're thinking about.
00:12:59		Chris: What would you want to talk about? I guess what do you want to talk about?
00:13:05		Marcel: Yeah, I want to talk about gun violence.
00:13:07		Chris: I'm going to tell you, honestly, that's not what people are going to come out and vote on. People are going to vote for you because they think their life will be better because they voted for you.
00:13:15		Marcel: Yeah.
00:13:16		Chris: And flooding, infrastructure, and economy-
00:13:18		Marcel: That's what they're going to see as—
00:13:21		Chris: That's why they're going to vote for you. People need to vote for you for something, and Kubosh has done so little on the issues that actually matter to people. I think that is actually your way.
00:13:30		Marcel: This is where I think it gets kind of fucked up. It's like, do I go with my heart, or do I think of purely strategy, right?
00:13:38		Chris: Well, what I would say, no one's questioning your heart. No one's questioning your heart. Gun violence is a hard one.
00:13:44		Chris: I love that you care about it, but that's not why people are going to vote for you over Michael Kubosh.

00:13:58		Marcel: "His opponent, Michael Kubosh, was elected to city council in 2013, and they caught up with both of the candidates in the video above." So, let's watch it.
00:14:10		Marcel: I've been an activist in gun violence prevention for a couple of years now. I was appointed to Mayor Turner's Commission to End Gun Violence in the city. My age is my strength.
00:14:21		Kubosh: Well, we're both seniors. He's a senior in high school, and I'm a senior citizen. I have a number of grandchildren that are much older than him that are in college, and it's important to get that education at that time in life. It's a big job, and there's a lot more to it than just gun violence.
00:14:37		Marcel: The Mayor's Commission to End Gun Violence is a huge priority. I'm really, really excited.
00:14:39		Marcel: He's funny.
00:14:45		Marcel: It was actually good.
00:14:45		Marion: I liked this a lot.
00:14:45	LOWER THIRD, FADE ON/OFF: JASMIN McCLINTON Marcel's Older Sister	Jasmin: It was good, but why do they always focus on gun violence? And then, people assume that you have the authority and the power to change any of that. And that's the only thing that they're pointing at—
00:15:00		Marcel: But, that is a highlight of the campaign, is gun violence prevention. Oh, God. I'm tagged in all of these stupid Facebook posts.
00:15:10		Marcel: He must have been mayor at his Junior Achievement field trip. He's not even old enough to vote, but can run for city council. Okay, world, let's get back to reality.

00:15:20		Marcel: Using tragedy to get him a spot on the city council. Just because you went through something doesn't mean you understand it. Foolish act by this child.
00:15:27		Marcel: Why is this news? This kid barely knows life. He needs to age some more and realize how life works.
00:15:34		Marcel: Your stupid nigger ass had to raise your hand to use a bathroom at school less than a year ago. How the fuck are you going to make laws for people? You're just racially inferior.
00:15:51		Marcel: I'm going to sleep. I'm actually going to sleep. Good night.
00:16:13		Marcel: After the Parkland High School shooting in 2018, watching young people my age on TV demanding change inspired the hell out of me to kind of step up to the plate.
00:16:22		Marcel: "To kind of step up to the plate?" That doesn't make much sense.
00:16:26		Marcel: And get involved to demand change and be a part of the process. Your voice makes a difference. It's important for us. Folks at the top—
00:16:35		Marcel: That also makes no sense. "Your voice makes a difference. It's important for us, the folks at the top." I had three thoughts and left two of them to die.
00:16:43		Marcel: ... quality change and all these issues that we feel passionate about, and then kind of just see where it takes—
00:16:49		Marcel: "Kind of just see where it takes us." It's vague. It's not direct. It's not bold, aggressive. I also did not complete more than, I think, one thought in that 42 seconds. And that was at the end.

00:17:17		Marcel: So yeah, thank you guys for coming out today. So, I was told when I first said that I was going to run, "Don't run on gun violence prevention. Don't run on sex trafficking prevention. Don't run on all these big issues that people think are only state-wide and federal topics. Run on street lights. Run on fixing the potholes in our city."
00:17:36		Marcel: And I said, "I can talk about all of that stuff too, but this stuff is killing people all the time." I can't help myself but talk about the real issues facing Houstonians every single day.
00:17:47		Marcel: And so with that, we need to wedge our way into the system and get in there and stay in there and make positive change in our city, our state, and our country. And so again, thank you very much. Be engaged. I appreciate it, guys.
	<p>LOCATION ID OVER BUILDING ENTRANCE, FADE IN/OUT: HOUSTON BLACK AMERICAN DEMOCRATS Endorsement Meeting</p>	
00:18:10	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>This is what politics is all about.</i></p>	Kubosh: This is what politics is all about, right here. If you don't like this, you don't like politics.
	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>If you don't like this, you don't like politics.</i></p>	
00:18:17		Marcel: I believe so. Send some young blood. And Kubosh really is not... We all know he's not doing his piece.
00:18:24	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>You know, the last two election cycles, I was endorsed by the HBAD</i></p>	Kubosh: The last two election cycles, I was endorsed by the HBAD, and I consider that one of my biggest endorsements in the race.
	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>and I consider that one of my biggest endorsements in the races.</i></p>	

00:18:35		Marcel: Another fun fact about Kubosh is he's a bail bondsman, so he's been in this business for 26 years of keeping black folks entrapped in pools of debt with his firm. And so, we're hoping to get that out of the City Hall, and that's what I'm pushing. So, good to meet you guys.
00:18:48		Voter: Alright, likewise there, Marcel.
00:18:50		Marcel: I hope to get your vote in at-large 3.
00:18:51		Voter: Pleasure to meet you, man.
00:18:52		Marcel: Absolutely.
00:18:52		Voter: Thank you.
00:18:52		Marcel: Have a good one. Yeah, for sure.
00:18:54	SUBTITLE: <i>And you'll get a minute to do your stump speech and then just take your seat.</i>	HBAD Coordinator: You'll get a minute to do your stump speech, and then just take your seat.
00:18:58	SUBTITLE: <i>I got the endorsement the last two times but it's a different cycle, so...</i>	Marcel: How are you?
00:19:00	SUBTITLE: <i>Third time is not going to be the charm, Mr. Kubosh.</i>	Kubosh: I got the endorsement the last two times, but it's a different cycle.
00:19:04	SUBTITLE: <i>I'm excited. I am excited.</i>	Marcel: Third time is not going to be the charm, Mr. Kubosh. I'm excited. I am excited. Good to see you.
00:19:10	SUBTITLE: <i>Good to see you.</i>	Kubosh: Good seeing you.
00:19:14	SUBTITLE: <i>Good seeing you.</i>	Kubosh: This is Council member Michael Kubosh. You remember me because I helped get rid of those red light cameras. You all remember those?

00:19:20		HBAD Members: Yes.
00:19:21		Kubosh: And also, I just wanted to remind you that over the years, I've taken 100 children each year for five years to the UniverSoul Circus, and those children loved it.
00:19:30		Kubosh: And I guarantee you, we've done everything we can to help the community. And I co-sponsored the bus to the 50th anniversary to the March on Washington.
00:19:40		Kubosh: My office has four staff members. Three of them are African-Americans. I'm sure you know that Shirley King, John Gibbs, Saundra Strong. A vote for me is a vote to keep them employed. I need your vote. Thank you very much.
00:20:01		Marcel: Hello, hello. Marcel McClinton. Also running in At-Large 3 against Council member Kubosh.
00:20:05		Marcel: I'm 18-years-old in this race. Running against Mr. Kubosh because I don't think that the current leadership in this seat is doing our city any good service.
00:20:14		Marcel: Being a bail bondsman in this city for over 26 years, it is really anti everything that this room is about. And so, holding black folks hostage and in pools of debt with your firm doesn't do our city any good.
00:20:25		Marcel: Climate change, flooding, gun violence, all these things we've not seen leadership in this seat to combat. So, I'm running At-Large 3, Marcel McClinton. Thank you.
00:20:36		Janaeya: J.C. for 3. I am the most experienced person in this race. I have over 15 years of advocacy.

00:20:44		Janaeya: Our incumbent has been wholly destructive to the African-American community, yet he comes and asks for our vote. Don't allow this to happen again.
00:20:54		Janaeya: I'm going to empower communities, and we're going to fight traumatic issues like flooding, infrastructure, human trafficking, and violence.
00:21:01		Janaeya: My name is Janaeya Carmouche, J.C. for 3, and I'd love to have your support.
00:21:07		HBAD Coordinator: You heard from the last of our candidates and sponsors, so everybody give a round of applause to all of—
00:21:31		HBAD Member: Congratulations.
00:21:32		Marcel: Did they do three? Oh, my gosh, thank you, thank you.
00:21:33	SUBTITLE: <i>Congratulations! You won.</i>	HBAD Member: Congratulations. You won.
00:21:37		Elvonte: I told you, man.
00:21:39		Marcel: He is going to be so fucking pissed. I love it. This is great. This is great.
00:21:43		Elvonte: You got it.
00:21:45		Marcel: This stronghold on the black community that he's had for so, so long, I feel like we just tapped into a little bit. So, HBAD will go knock on doors for us, make calls for us, send tens of thousands of mailers out to the black community for us.
00:21:58		Marcel: And yeah, they're going to see our face instead of Kubosh's face, which is going to be a shocker.

00:22:02		Marcel: Yes, and it's actually awesome. I'm trying to keep it contained and remain chill, but I'm definitely going to go jam out to some Lizzo and Beyonce when I hit the car.
00:22:17	LOWER THIRD, FADE IN: <i>Houston LGBT Caucus</i>	LGBT Member: This is not a gimmick. You're actually out here to bring the change that you've been out there doing to your city.
00:22:24	SUBTITLE:	Marcel: Yes, for sure.
00:22:24	<i>I love that. I'm completely enrolled in that.</i>	LGBT Member: I love that. I'm completely enrolled in that.
00:22:26	LOWER THIRD, FADE IN: <i>Houston Oak Forest Democrats</i>	Marcel: Thank you. Thank you. Awesome. Cool.
00:22:29		Marcel: I'm challenging Michael Kubosh. If you guys don't know him, he's the most conservative Dem on our council.
00:22:34	SUBTITLE: <i>I know who he is.</i>	I know who he is.
00:22:36		Marcel: I believe it. I believe it.
00:22:37	LOWER THIRD, FADE ON/OFF: <i>DAVID LEE</i> <i>Senior Political Advisor</i>	David Lee: When you meet Marcel, he comes off as one of the most eloquent, poised people. And when I learned that he was 17 years old, it blew my mind.
00:22:53	LOWER THIRD, FADE IN: <i>MECA Candidate Forum</i>	Marcel: My generation will be affected by these issues as they progressively get worse if we don't address them today.
00:23:01	LOWER THIRD, FADE IN: <i>Houston Candidates Forum</i>	
00:23:01	SUBTITLE: <i>I'm not endorsing everybody, but I'm going to endorse you.</i>	Voter: So, I'm not endorsing everybody, but I'm going to endorse you.
00:23:04		Marcel: Awesome. I appreciate that.

00:23:04		Voter: You're welcome.
00:23:05		David Lee: I think, especially if you look at where Marcel got his activism chops, like in the anti-gun violence movement, March for Our Lives, he's done so much to move this whole movement forward. That's why I was so enthralled by Marcel's candidacy.
00:23:25	LOWER THIRD, FADE ON/OFF: ALMEDA DENT Senior Campaign Political Consultant	Almeda Dent: Even at the young age he is, I know people think that's silly for somebody to be that young and be on city council in a city this large.
00:23:32		Almeda: But, as long as he has a heart for it, I see him being a very, very good candidate. All he has to do is put the work in.
00:23:41	SUBTITLE: <i>You put it right up here.</i>	Almeda: You put it right up here.
00:23:45		Marcel: Perfect.
00:23:45		Almeda: There you go.
00:23:47	SUBTITLE: <i>You really can win this campaign.</i>	Almeda: You're young and everything, but we really can win this campaign. You can win it.
	SUBTITLE: <i>You can win it.</i>	
	LOWER THIRD, FADE ON: JAMES McCLINTON Marcel's Father	
00:24:06		James McClinton: All right, everybody. How are you all doing?
00:24:14	SUBTITLE: <i>You take up a little more chair than you used to.</i>	James: You take up a little bit more chair than you used to.
00:24:16	SUBTITLE: <i>Ms. Patty, he has a job now.</i>	Marcel: Me?
00:24:17		James: Yeah, you.
00:24:18		Marcel: My dad, James, met my mom stationed in Berlin with the Army. He went in at, I think, 17 years old.

00:24:26	SUBTITLE: <i>Ms. Patty, did he pay for his haircut?</i>	James: Ms. Patty, he has a job now.
00:24:29		Patty: Oh, really?
00:24:30		James: Yeah.
00:24:30		Patty: Okay.
00:24:32		Marcel: I don't know what he's trying to say, but ...
00:24:36		Marcel: Growing up, I knew that my dad was sick. He started off medically discharged from the Army.
00:24:42		James: Two strokes to my thalamus. The thalamus part of the brain has four chambers. I lost three chambers. I have one chamber keeping me functioning. They told me I should have either been dead or in a coma, but I've managed for the last 15 years.
00:25:00		James: My father wasn't there, and I planned to be different to my kids than my father was to me. Now, I couldn't hold that end of the bargain up physically.
00:25:14		Marcel: So, his health has prevented him from doing things that he would, for sure, rather be doing as a dad, like throwing a ball and going out to the Boy Scout things and camping.
00:25:22		Marcel: Jasmin and I saw him a lot, every other weekend. But then, as I got busier in high school, especially it was like football and school and especially over the last year, definitely a lot less.
00:25:33		Patty: You got big. You're taller than me.
00:25:36		James: Our relationship now is more man-to-man than it is father-to-teenage son.
00:25:46		James: Thank you, bro.

<p>00:25:48</p>		<p>James: Ms. Patty, did he pay for his haircut?</p>
<p>00:25:50</p>	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>I don't have my wallet.</i></p>	<p>Marcel: I don't have my wallet.</p>
<p>00:25:53</p>	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>I don't know the meaning of having a job anymore now...</i></p>	<p>James: Glad I asked. I don't know the meaning of having a job anymore now. He ain't paying for nothing.</p>
	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>He ain't paying for nothing.</i></p>	
<p>00:26:04</p>	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>I'm 17. Just a kid.</i></p>	<p>Marcel: I'm 17. Just a kid.</p>
<p>00:26:06</p>	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>At 17, I was paying for my own haircuts.</i></p>	<p>James: At 17, I was paying for my own haircuts.</p>
	<p>LOWER THIRD, FADE IN: MARION McCLINTON <i>Marcel's Mom</i></p>	
<p>00:26:36</p>		<p>Marion: So I get up at 4:30. I'm a school bus driver, and I drive three different schools. It doesn't make me rich at all, and so the side effect is you need another job.</p>
<p>00:26:52</p>		<p>Marion: So, I applied then for Chick-fil-A, so I work in the dining room. It's hard work.</p>
<p>00:27:08</p>		<p>Marion: I didn't choose to find somebody that I can go to America. No, I fell in love, and he is an American. So, yeah.</p>
<p>00:27:18</p>		<p>Marion: I left James. He made bad choices. I didn't have a penny, nothing. I was a single mom with two babies. I went in the shelter with both kids, so both under one and under two.</p>
<p>00:27:41</p>		<p>Marion: And I thought I needed to look for a job. Then, you find your job. Now, you make money. Now, you can have your own apartment.</p>

00:27:51		Marion: I have two jobs. At certain times, I have three jobs.
00:27:56		Marion: So yes, it's a struggle, but it's not a struggle because I love my kids. Family comes first. That was my main thing.
00:28:06	SUBTITLE: <i>I'm leaving.</i>	Marion: I'm leaving. Marcel. Tschuss.
00:28:06	SUBTITLE: <i>Marcel.</i>	
00:28:06	SUBTITLE: <i>Tschüss.</i>	
00:28:16	SUBTITLE: <i>Tschüss.</i>	Marcel: Tschuss.
00:28:17	SUBTITLE: <i>Tschüss. I love you.</i>	Marion: Tschuss. I love you.
00:28:19		Marion: And now, I'm thinking right now, Jasmin in college in New York and Marcel running for city council. It's amazing.
00:28:58		Marcel: My nights have been super, super long. I've been pulling all-nighters just to get my work done and study for these tests I had to make up. So yeah, crunch time.
00:29:28	TITLE CARD OVER BUILDING, FADE IN/OUT: 7 MONTHS UNTIL ELECTION	David Lee: I'm just getting a little frustrated. Everything seems to be flying in the air. The fact that the candidate is not even here at this meeting. And every week counts from here on out.
00:29:38		Elvonte: So from my understanding, Marcel's been extra busy with school. He said that if he don't make up the certain amount of class time, he was going to not be able to graduate.

00:29:48		Elvonte: He has to graduate, so it's like, when you say, "Hey, I set up this for you." "I can't come, because I have this project that I have to do." It's like, "Handle the project."
00:30:13		Marcel: Hello.
00:30:14	SUBTITLE: <i>I have food.</i>	Marion: Hello. <i>Ich habe essen.</i>
00:30:16		Marcel: Okay.
00:30:21		Marcel: Hello.
00:30:21		Marion: Hello. Tell me good news.
00:30:25		Marcel: Tell you the good news?
00:30:26		Marion: Yeah, tell me.
00:30:28		Marcel: We're all good to go regarding graduation. That good news?
00:30:33		Marion: Are you serious? You finished the second?
00:30:35		Marcel: Oh, yeah. Oh, yeah. I said no big deal, right?
00:30:38		Marion: No, no, no, no, no. Tell me, really. Is it true?
00:30:41		Marcel: Yeah, it's true.
00:30:43		Marcel: I got an email from my counselor. I can't even fit into this remotely.
00:30:45		Jasmin: There's ... No, you can.
00:30:47		Marion: We can move.
00:30:48		Marcel: So, I took my tests today and the last one in physics and got a 94, which honestly, I thought I was definitely going to get—
00:30:56		Jasmin: I told you it was easy.

00:30:58		Marcel: I thought I was—
00:30:58		Jasmin: It's algebra. Go ahead.
00:30:59		Marcel: It's physics.
00:31:00		Jasmin: But, it's algebra-based.
00:31:02		Marcel: Yes, but I didn't know what the hell I was doing.
00:31:05		Jasmin:: Oh.
00:31:05		Marcel: So, it makes it a little harder.
00:31:08		Marcel: And then, Ms. Arrington emailed me and was like, "I heard you did really good in physics. Way to go. Woot, woot", so ... which she had no hope for me, whatsoever that I was going to do anything.
00:31:17		Marion: I know.
00:31:20		Marcel: So, prom Friday and that's a go. All right. <i>Gute. Gute nacht.</i>
00:31:27		Marion: <i>Gute nacht.</i> I'm happy. You make me happy.
00:31:30		(Music Starts)
00:31:32	SIGN ON CHAIR: <i>YOU BETO SAY YES TO PROM</i>	Marcel: Let's do it.
00:31:47	SUBTITLE: <i>I should shave my face, huh?</i>	Marcel: All right. I should shave my face, huh? Uh-oh. The button just fucking came off.
	SUBTITLE: <i>The button just fucking came off.</i>	
00:32:01	SUBTITLE: <i>Where do you see mac and cheese?</i>	Leah: Where do you see mac and cheese?
00:32:02	SUBTITLE: <i>Shrimp mac and cheese!</i>	Marcel: Shrimp mac and cheese.

	<p>STOREFRONT NAME: TONY DRIVING SCHOOL</p>	
00:32:26		Driving Examiner: On the right side, after this, you'll be in the parallel parking, okay?
00:32:29		Marcel: Perfect. Can I just restart?
00:32:38	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>You can start one more time.</i></p>	Driving Examiner: You can start one more time.
00:32:39		Marcel: Okay.
00:32:51		Driving Examiner: Good.
00:32:51		Marcel: Good?
00:32:52	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>You passed the test.</i></p>	Driving Examiner: You passed the test.
00:32:54		Driving Examiner: Congratulations.
00:32:54		Marcel: Thank you, thank you.
	<p>BANNER ON WALL: CONGRATS MARCEL!</p>	<p>(MUSIC ENDS)</p>
00:33:55	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>Most people...</i></p>	Tyler: Most people, not all people, but most people that take gap years don't go back for quite a while.
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	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>for quite a while.</i></p>	
00:34:03		Marcel: That's everyone's first question when they meet me.
00:34:06		Marcel: What are your plans with your education?

00:34:10		Marcel: I did not apply to a school. I did not apply to a school knowing full-well that I was not going to go to school this year.
00:34:18		Marcel: And then, I don't know if I'm going to defer another year or not. I know I probably shouldn't. My mom is going to say "Hell, no." My dad is going to say, "Hell, no." But, it's not their lives to live, so that's the good news.
00:34:33		Tyler: Very true.
00:34:34		Marcel: I think that what I need to be successful in what I want to do is common sense and a good heart, and I have a vision for how I want the world to look for my children, so you know.
00:34:48	SUBTITLE: <i>I will say this:</i>	Kyron: I will say this, our children will not experience anything like we are experiencing right now.
	SUBTITLE: <i>Our children...</i>	
	SUBTITLE: <i>will not experience anything like we're experiencing right now.</i>	
00:34:54		Marcel: Oh, for sure.
00:34:54	SUBTITLE: <i>It's going to be completely different.</i>	Kyron: It's going to be completely different. Hopefully, it's different in a good way.
	SUBTITLE: <i>Hopefully it's different in a good way.</i>	
00:35:00	TITLE CARD OVER BUILDING, FADE IN/OUT: <i>5 MONTHS UNTIL ELECTION</i>	Tyler: Yes, hopefully it is.
00:35:13		David Lee: What happened with the campaign in the past few weeks?

00:35:15		Elvonte: We added a researcher, a college intern, that's going to do research.
00:35:21		David Lee: I want the researcher to also go into all of your social media and flag things that might be troublesome because you're pretty active there.
00:35:30		Marcel: Yeah.
00:35:30		(Music Begins)
00:35:59		Marcel: Back up, nigga, back up.
00:36:00		It's going to catch-
00:36:01		Marcel: Back up.
00:36:02		What the fuck?
00:36:03		Marcel: Oh, shit! Oh, my God.
00:36:15		(Music Ends)
00:36:30	NEWS CHYRON <i>DONALD TRUMP CAMPAIGNS IN HOUSTON</i>	Marcel: I was 15. I had had an internship with the Harris County Republican Party. Trump became the nominee for president, and we were sent as interns to go work with his campaign through the party, go to events, and give talking points.
00:36:39		Marcel: What I really want is just job security, I want to know that the country's safe, and I want a good economy, and Hillary Clinton doesn't offer any of those things.
00:36:39		Marcel: And then, it just became my own research on the issues, hearing from folks in Houston, talking to my sister a lot more about how she feels about politics, and then the Parkland shooting, watching them on TV rally around gun violence prevention was the first real wake up call to me, and I saw the light. Yeah.

00:37:08	SOCIAL MEDIA CAPTION: <i>Tune in to CNN at 7:30am TODAY</i>	Marcel: Hey, y'all. Good morning. Good morning. It is dark and early at 6:05 a.m. So, come watch us though. It's on CNN at 7:30 in the morning in the next hour-and-a-half, talking about gun violence, the NRA, and of course, our candidacy for Houston City Council. So, tune in, CNN, 7:30 this morning. Deal.
00:37:33	NEWS CHYRON: <i>"RECESS RALLIES" BEING HELD IN ALL 50 STATES THIS WEEKEND</i>	Victor Blackwell: Marcel McClinton is a survivor of a shooting. He's a teenager, and he's also running for Houston City Council. Marcel, good morning to you.
00:37:43	NEWS CHYRON: <i>"RECESS RALLIES" BEING HELD IN ALL 50 STATES THIS WEEKEND</i>	Marcel: Hi, good morning. How are you?
00:37:44	NEWS CHYRON: <i>GUN CONTROL GROUPS MOBILIZE TODAY IN WAKE OF MASS SHOOTINGS</i>	Victor: I'm well, thank you. Let's start here with your experience. You have been very active in trying to end gun violence, but is that the centerpiece of your campaign for Houston City Council?
00:37:55	NEWS CHYRON: <i>GUN CONTROL GROUPS MOBILIZE TODAY IN WAKE OF MASS SHOOTINGS</i>	Marcel: Yeah, gun violence is a super important issue to me personally. It is the issue that I hold near and dearest to my heart. But, it's not the only thing that we're tackling and hoping to combat.
00:38:04	NEWS CHYRON: <i>GUN CONTROL GROUPS MOBILIZE TODAY IN WAKE OF MASS SHOOTINGS</i>	Marcel: We're also trying to tackle flooding and bring better infrastructure to our city, reduce traffic and crime. And so, we're working to hold folks accountable and bring positive change to our city.
00:38:13	NEWS CHYRON: <i>GUN SAFETY RALLIES AT 100 LOCATIONS ACROSS 50 STATES THIS WEEKEND</i>	Victor: Marcel, we've got Florida Republican Congressman Ted Yoho coming in our 10:00 hour. He voted against the expanded background checks bill, HR 8, earlier this year.
00:38:23	NEWS CHYRON: <i>GUN SAFETY RALLIES AT 100 LOCATIONS ACROSS 50 STATES THIS WEEKEND</i>	Victor: And I want you to make your case to him, why he should support expanded background checks. I'm going to play it for him, and I want him to respond. So, what's your case?

00:38:33		Marcel: Yeah, first and foremost, understand that blood is on your hands. People in America are dying because of your inaction and because of your ties to whatever gun lobby or special interest group is holding you hostage.
00:38:45		Marcel: This is not the time to sit back and say, "I need a donation from the NRA to win re-election." People are dying in the United States, and the more and more that we sit back, stay silent, that makes us complicit.
00:38:57		Marcel: 96 Americans are being shot and killed in America every day, and Senator or Representative, you do not care. And it shows, and it's sad.
00:39:06		Victor: I'll play that for him. Marcel McClinton, thank you so much.
00:39:08		Marcel: Thank you.
00:39:10		Elvonte: Wow.
00:39:11		Marcel: Awesome. Well, thank you so much. Absolutely.
00:39:13		CNN Crew Member: Here, let me get the door for you.
00:39:14	SUBTITLE:	Marcel: Deal.
00:39:16	<i>Oh my god, your makeup is better than mine.</i>	Almeda: Oh, my God. Your makeup is better than mine.
00:39:19		Marcel: Isn't it beautiful? Isn't it beautiful?
00:39:21	SUBTITLE:	Almeda: My God, you were already good looking.
00:39:23	<i>I might start doing this.</i>	Marcel: I've never felt ... Yeah, I don't know. I might start doing this.
00:39:28		Almeda: We're going to use this, but I want to see it go on Facebook. I want to

		see it on Twitter. I want to see everybody re-tweeting.
00:39:37		Elvonte: Okay.
00:39:37		Almeda: Okay?
00:39:38		Marcel: It's blowing up on its own. Social media is taking off right now.
00:39:42		Marcel: What we need is for that last bit to pick up steam—
00:39:45		Elvonte: It will.
00:39:46		Marcel: ...because they're going to play it for the next segment.
00:39:47		Elvonte: Yeah.
00:39:48		Marcel: That's what we need. I want his response to that.
00:39:51		Almeda: No, we don't. We don't want—
00:39:52		Marcel: Yes, we do. Yes, we do. I don't want to debate a fucking Florida congressman.
00:39:56		Almeda: We may have.
00:39:58		Marcel: They could book us together next time, and I'll just say you're killing people, sir.
00:40:02		Almeda: Which congressman?
00:40:03		Marcel: That's what I should have said.
00:40:04		Almeda: No.
00:40:05		Marcel: It's the truth.
00:40:05		Elvonte: You said, "Blood's on your hands."
00:40:06		Almeda: "Blood's on your hands." That was bad enough.

<p>00:40:09</p>		<p>Marcel: I think it's good. No, we need to be direct and bold. Yeah, bold and aggressive. Aggressive.</p>
<p>00:40:17</p>		<p>Elvonte: What are people saying? What's the feedback?</p>
<p>00:40:20</p>		<p>Marcel: If I lived in Houston, you would have my vote. The future is protected with activists like you. Thank you.</p>
<p>00:40:24</p>		<p>Marcel: Excellent job on CNN. Keep being a beacon of light.</p>
<p>00:40:28</p>		<p>Marcel: Marcel, young man, I'm an old Texas woman living in Fort Worth and from the Texas Panhandle. You give me so much hope, sir. I'm sorry I won't live long enough to see the beautiful change you will make in the world. Keep strong and carry on.</p>
<p>00:40:39</p>		<p>Marcel: We just need to blow it up in the Houston circles. This needs to be a thing in Houston.</p>
<p>00:40:44</p>	<p>TWITTER POST: <i>17-year-old shooting survivor running for Houston City Council has a message for a GOP lawmaker about gun violence:</i></p>	<p>Marcel: Blood is on your hands. People in America are dying because of your inaction and because of your ties to whatever gun lobby or special interest group is holding you hostage.</p>
	<p>TWITTER POST: <i>17-year-old shooting survivor running for Houston City Council has a message for a GOP lawmaker about gun violence:</i></p>	
	<p>TWITTER POST: <i>We need more humans like @MarcelMcClinton! Let's help get him elected!</i></p>	
	<p>TWITTER POST: <i>Go @MarcelMcClinton. You make us proud!</i></p>	

	<p>TWITTER POST: <i>If you care about young people and how gun violence is killing innocent Americans every single day, watch this powerful interview by @MarcelMcClinton and follow him.</i></p> <p>TWITTER POST: <i>Watch this interview with @MarcelMcClinton and then check out his campaign</i></p> <p>SOCIAL MEDIA GRAPHIC: TWITTER FOLLOWER COUNT RISES TO 10,000s</p>	<p>Chris: I don't want to piss this away. We have the ability to sell you as a celebrity. You have celebrity appeal.</p> <p>Chris: If we're going to win this campaign, we need money. You call people. You raise some fucking money. You're a fucking god. People love you. You're a celebrity.</p> <p>David Hogg: I think when we look at Marcel, we should be thinking and looking at the future. Marcel is someone that believes in our future, and Marcel is someone that can accomplish a better and brighter future for every child in America. Thank you.</p> <p>Marcel: guys can keep mingling, and you can write your checks, and give cash and all of that good stuff at the front table with Mr. Adam.</p> <p>Marcel: Is this Ms. Cauthren?</p> <p>Ms. Cauthren: It is.</p>
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00:41:10	<p>LOWER THIRD, FADE IN/OUT: DAVID HOGG Parkland Shooting Survivor and Activist</p>	
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00:41:38		<p>Marcel: Cool. This is Marcel McClinton. I'm a candidate for Houston City Council At-Large 3.</p> <p>Ms. Cauthren: Oh, I've heard of you.</p>
00:41:42		<p>Marcel: I'm hoping that we can get you to pledge today.</p>
00:41:43		<p>Ms. Cauthren: Sure. I think I can do \$20.</p>
00:41:48		<p>Marcel: Yeah. Yeah, yeah, yeah. Happy Saturday.</p>
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00:41:54		<p>Volunteers: You don't have a shirt. Here we go! Buy some merch. Buy, buy some merch. Here we go. Buy some merch. Here we go. Buy, buy some merch. Now, you don't have a shirt. You don't have a shirt. Here we go. You don't have a—</p>
00:42:05		<p>Marcel: Could we get your pledge to support us, maybe match your donation from last week?</p>
00:42:11		<p>Phone Donor: Well, I'll tell you what. I'll pledge a hundred bucks to you today.</p>
00:42:13		<p>Marcel: Awesome.</p>
00:42:14		<p>Marcel: It sucks because it's tedious, and it just takes a long time. And you feel like you could be doing so many other things other than hanging on the phone for hours, but it's what everybody does.</p>
00:42:30	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>You say the election's in November.</i></p>	<p>Rink: You say the election is in November? How do you think your campaign is doing?</p>
00:42:35	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>How do you think your campaign's doing?</i></p>	<p>Marcel: I think we're going to win. I'm confident.</p>
		<p>Rink: You are?</p>

00:42:38		Marcel: Yeah. What are some of you all's top issues? There's a lot going on in Houston. No problems at all in the City of Houston?
00:42:39	SUBTITLE: <i>You got anything, Sweat?</i>	Rink: You got anything, Sweat?
00:42:48		Sweat: I stay out of politics.
00:42:52		Marcel: It's not political.
00:42:53		Patron: This is our future right here. I want to know what's the turnout of voters on those local elections?
00:42:55	SUBTITLE: <i>17 percent.</i>	Marcel: 17%. And 60, whatever percent of that are over the age of 55 and white.
00:43:01		Patron: Yep.
00:43:06		Marcel: So, there is no representation in the City of Houston. No one's turning out, right?
00:43:08		Patron: Right.
00:43:11		Sweat: When you keep not seeing changes, you feel like your voice is really not being heard whether you vote or not. So, now you have people who don't get out to vote, and then people are like, "Well, why are you not voting? That's crazy! Your voice is not being heard." I've been trying to pitch my voice for the last 20, 30 years, and my voice still wasn't heard.
00:43:13		Sweat: I see new faces. I hear the same thing. "We're going to change this. We're going to change that. We're going to change this." It's 20 years later, and we've still got infrastructure problems. We've still got high crime in the communities. Schools, the district is crappy.
00:43:31	SUBTITLE: <i>Sweat, you've seen where we at today, man...</i>	Rink: Sweat, you see where we're at today, man. I know where we were in 1960, so shit will change. Shit can change.
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00:44:01	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>I know where we was in 1960.</i></p>	<p>Marcel: And they're going to. We have to increase the electorate because they don't care unless you're donating or voting, right? If you're not voting against them, you're irrelevant.</p>
00:44:10		<p>Marcel: And so, until we can say that 17% is not the city of Houston and show the city of Houston, then they'll start to listen. And you'll see all their attitudes change, old heads or not. Either they're going to be elected out, or they're going to really adjust what they're fighting for. That's what I believe.</p>
00:44:26	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>Kick out those old heads and bring some fresh, new...</i></p>	<p>Patron: Kick out those heads and bring some fresh, new ...</p>
00:44:31	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>Some of those old heads used to be my friends...</i></p>	<p>Sweat: Some of those old heads used to be my friends. They used to have the same vibe that he has, the same laughter and joy, and then they just fell into the old way of doing things.</p>
00:44:40	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>Used to have the same vibe that he has... the same laughter and joy.</i></p>	<p>Sweat: He'll get in there, and he'll have to make concessions. It's a game.</p>
00:44:48		<p>Marcel: I think people that went into it a long time ago, they just got caught up in the cycle. They went in with the wrong mindset to begin with. It was never about making genuine change.</p>
00:44:58	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>But I think what Sweat's saying, if you're caught up in there with them people...</i></p>	<p>Rink: But, I think what Sweat's saying, if you're caught up in there with them people, you've still got to hold your ground.</p>
00:45:04	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>you still gotta hold your ground.</i></p>	<p>Marcel: Right. And I hear that.</p>

00:45:05	SUBTITLE: <i>Until you change it.</i>	Rink: Until you change it. You know what I'm saying?
00:45:05		James: Mm-hmm (affirmative).
00:45:08		Marcel: We're going to knock on some doors, and all of folks we're talking to today are senior citizens.
00:45:15		Marcel: Hi, Ms. Gloria?
00:45:27		Ms. Gloria: Yes.
00:45:28		Marcel: I'm Marcel McClinton. I'm running for city council here At-Large. I'm 18-years-old. I graduated high school.
00:45:28		Ms. Gloria: You're very young.
00:45:34	SUBTITLE: <i>I don't think you shave yet.</i>	Marcel: I am.
00:45:35		Ms. Gloria: I don't think you shave yet.
00:45:36		Marcel: I've got a little of the fuzz there.
00:45:38		Ms. Gloria: That's a little hard for me to vote for someone that's almost my grandchild's age.
00:45:40		Marcel: Sure, sure.
00:45:44		Ms. Gloria: I need to see what you've done in your 18 years.
00:45:45		Marcel: Yes, I'm going to pull up a Google search of myself.
00:45:49		Ms. Gloria: A Google search?
00:45:51		Marcel: I can Google myself.
00:45:53		Ms. Gloria: You know, I'm old. I like it in my hands.
00:45:53		Marcel: The issues we're talking about are flood mitigation and combating climate change.
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00:46:00		Ms. Gloria: You're saying all the right things. It's just you're very young, and I'd like to know what you've done in your 18 years for me to put a check by your name.
00:46:07		Marcel: For sure. The issues we're talking about are going to affect my generation the most, which is why I'm stepping up now to run to implement changes in the city that are desperately necessary I think.
00:46:16		Ms. Gloria: I wish you all the luck in the world.
00:46:17		Marcel: Thank you so much.
00:46:18		Ms. Gloria: And if you don't win this year, I think you've got a fabulous future.
00:46:22		Marcel: Awesome. Thanks for chatting with me. Have a good one.
00:46:24		Ms. Gloria: You too.
00:46:27		Marcel: Baby Boomers and I don't seem to click all the time. I don't hate old people. It's just I don't know how to make people feel the urgency and understand why young people are stepping up to make change. I don't know. I only need half the city to support me anyway.
	TITLE CARD OVER STREET, FADE IN/OUT: 4 MONTHS UNTIL ELECTION	
00:47:01	LOWER THIRD, FADE ON/OFF: DAVID LEE Senior Political Advisor	David Lee: Here's a \$200 Uber charge. What the heck? What number is this? Okay. I need to let the campaign know about that.
00:47:18		David Lee: A couple weeks ago, I took a look at Marcel's filings, and it said something like \$25,000 raised and then, \$22,000 spent. And I was like, "What the heck? That is a lot of money that he spent."

00:47:36		<p>David Lee: And so, I looked through each page of these charges, and he spent money on hotel and airplane charges or tickets for people to come to his kickoff, campaign kickoff. It's like, what the heck? That's a lot of money. They didn't need to go to the freaking Omni. Or he took an Uber from Houston to Austin. Who does that?</p>
00:48:03		<p>David Lee: If you look at the other city council races right now, the ones that have raised the amount or more that Marcel has raised, they've already unleashed their volunteer teams. They've got yard signs all out. They've got street signs everywhere.</p>
00:48:23		<p>David Lee: And so, this is the time to get out there, and I don't know how you do that with the amount of money that's left in the bank.</p>
00:48:31		<p>David Lee: And to be fair, he is a first-time candidate. I don't think he's ever had access to this type of funds before. I think there's some things that he could have been trained in better. And I think because he's so smart, he would have picked it up very quickly, and I think that could have prevented a lot of these basic errors. But, he needs to do a lot better.</p>
00:49:053		<p>Elvonte: So, tell me about the Ubers.</p>
00:49:09		<p>Marcel: Yeah. So, you know I wasn't driving at the beginning of the campaign. So, we had to Uber and Lyft it out. And I didn't realize how much it was burning, so that's why that's all stopped.</p>
00:49:22		<p>Elvonte: But, we don't know what's a campaign expense Uber versus a non-campaign expense Uber.</p>
00:49:28		<p>Marcel: Nothing because Adam and I sat down and then had to dive into my Uber history of where I was going, what the</p>

00:49:39		<p>address was, match it to my calendar, make sure that they were justified.</p> <p>Elvonte: No, I feel like everything that you have done thus far can be justified, but the issue is—</p> <p>Marcel: We don't want open questions.</p>
00:49:47 00:49:48		<p>Elvonte: Right. You're 18-years-old, so everything that you do when it comes down to finances is going to be questioned. It's going to be looked at.</p>
00:49:57		<p>Elvonte: Also, you have this amount of money, and you spent this amount of money. We've also got to think, is each dollar we spent out maximizing on Marcel either as blowing him up or blowing the campaign up.</p> <p>Marcel: Right. Yeah. I agree.</p>
00:50:10 00:50:13		<p>Elvonte: I just wanted to make sure that if there is questions, we can knock them out and say, "This is what it is."</p> <p>Marcel: Will do. Sounds good.</p>
00:50:18 00:50:43		<p>Marcel: All I have is \$3 bucks. I'm going to get \$3 bucks of gas. But, gas everywhere here is \$2.50, and I was hoping for a gallon and some little extra in there, not just one. But, I get a reimbursement for gas in the campaign depending on if it's a super, super long trip. But, I'm not going to ask the campaign for reimbursement for gas.</p>
00:51:12		<p>Marcel: I probably shouldn't have quit Starbucks, but I'm also not going to part-time work at Starbucks and run for office. I'm not going to do that.</p>
00:51:20		<p>Marcel: You've got to just game plan it. You're not going to go out to eat. You're going to eat at home. You're going to bring a snack in the car. You're going to get your coffee. I make my coffee at</p>

		<p>home. And just make it work. Just make it work.</p>
00:51:45		<p>Marcel: Balling on a budget. Balling on a budget. It shouldn't take too long. Deal. What was that? Ten seconds?</p>
		<p>Marcel: Yellow?</p>
00:52:13		<p>James: You still getting gas?</p>
00:52:13		<p>Marcel: No, I'm driving on the freeway.</p>
00:52:16		<p>James: All right. I'll see you in a minute. All right. Oh, my son, my son, my son.</p>
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00:52:31		<p>James: We've been planning this for the last two weeks now. He has never done an oil change on his own, so I'm going to teach him oil change, air filter change, and tire rotation today.</p>
		<p>James: Here he is. Back it in, please.</p>
00:52:45		<p>Marcel: Do what?</p>
00:52:49		<p>James: Want to back it in?</p>
00:52:49		<p>Marcel: Oh, you're right.</p>
00:52:51		<p>James: Look in your mirror. I just said, look in your mirror.</p>
00:53:01		<p>Marcel: I'm going to twist it back.</p>
00:53:13		<p>James: Okay. This is going to be fun. Yeah, let's get your tire iron. Do you know where your jack is?</p>
00:53:19		<p>Marcel: My jack?</p>
00:53:26		<p>James: Yes. Okay. It's underneath. Give me the trash. Give me an Allen wrench.</p>
00:53:27		<p>Marcel: I don't know what the fuck any of this stuff is.</p>
00:53:47		<p>James: These are Allens. Let's do the oil filter first. Do you want to try it?</p>

00:53:50		Marcel: Yeah. God damn.
00:53:58		James: There we go. Do you see what I mean?
00:54:05		Marcel: That looks so nasty.
00:54:10		James: It is nasty, but changing your oil yourself is cheaper. That be her. See how fresh it looks now?
00:54:12		Marcel: Mm-hmm (affirmative).
00:54:27	SUBTITLE: <i>This is every 3,000 miles.</i>	James: Now, the oil change, this is every 3000 miles. It has to happen.
00:54:29	SUBTITLE: <i>It has to happen.</i>	
00:54:33		Marcel: What the hell? Oh my God. I thought it was once a year. I don't know when you get your oil changed.
00:54:39		James: It's reality, son. It's being an adult. It's just that simple.
00:54:54		Elvonte: We need Marcel to post on social media because—
00:54:54		Marcel: I do.
00:54:57		Elvonte: No.
00:54:58		Marcel: Yes, I do.
00:54:58		David Lee: Your social posts on Twitter have nothing to do with the city, which I understand.
00:55:00		Marcel: But, I always bring up Houston. I always bring up Houston.
00:55:03		Chris: Everybody's right. Everybody is right, and maybe I'm the asshole over here, but everybody's right here.
00:55:07		Chris: Yes, you're posting, but he's right. It doesn't tie into what we need.
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<p>00:55:17</p> <p>00:55:17</p>		<p>Elvonte: Just to say—</p>
		<p>David Lee: I have no idea what you're doing on the campaign trail. Even me, who can text you in two seconds. I have no idea what's going on. That's why. You need to show people that you're out there.</p>
<p>00:55:30</p>	<p>TWITTER POST: <i>Mitch McConnell has destroyed the senate.</i></p>	<p>(Music Begins)</p>
<p>00:55:38</p>	<p>TWITTER POST: <i>Donald Trump is the Russian asset we should all be most concerned about. He is the single biggest threat to our democracy, our safety, and the globe.</i></p>	<p>Marcel: I didn't grow my following at first and grow supporters at first online from talking about just the city that I live in, right? I grew that by talking about the issues that I wanted to get on the front lines of changing.</p>
<p>00:55:52</p>	<p>TWITTER POST: <i>Many students & educators are already on edge about heading back to school. Traumatizing them by playing horrific 911 calls & sounds from the Columbine is sick. Our students, teachers, bus drivers & district staf shouldn't have to fear this violence. DO MORE @senatemajldr</i></p>	<p>Marcel: I was not going to change because my title became different, or now, I'm a candidate. I'm not just an activist, that I was the same person who happened to now be running for office. That's what I want to keep.</p>
<p>00:56:05</p>	<p>TWITTER POST: <i>Every time news of a mass shooting breaks it all comes back. Every. Damn. Time. I don't know how people are supposed to heal from their own trauma when the visions and sounds never fail to resurface just when you thought you put them away for good. The violence has to end.</i></p>	<p>Marcel: To me, Twitter is also just therapy. It's like journaling. I have to draft that Tweet, or I cannot deal with myself.</p>

00:56:15	<p>TWITTER POST: <i>I agree the Senate must do their job. Are you pressuring @senatemajldr to allow the Senate to vote on the gun sense legislation that has already passed in the House?</i></p>	<p>Marcel: I also had to stop cussing. That's what they told me was first, was to stop saying fuck so much on Twitter.</p>
00:56:23	<p>TWITTER POST: <i>fuck the NRA</i></p>	
	<p>TWITTER POST: <i>I won't even ask you to forgive my language. If he can get sympathy for his sickening racist and sexist speech, y'all can handle the word "fuck".</i></p>	<p>Marcel: I really, really try to get the importance and urgency of my point across without cussing someone out. The professional response is, "This is wrong. This is wrong. This is wrong, and here's how we can work to fix that", right? But, the activist in me, just the activist, is like, "Fuck that. Fuck all that."</p>
	<p>TWITTER POST: <i>Fuck that.</i></p>	
	<p>TITLE CARD OVER HOUSTON SETTINGS, FADE IN/OUT: 2 MONTHS UNTIL ELECTION</p> <p>LOCATION ID OVER BUILDING ENTRANCE, FADE IN/OUT: HARRIS COUNTY YOUNG DEMOCRATS Endorsement Meeting</p>	
00:56:57		<p>James Burnett: Good evening, everyone. My name is James Burnett. I'm the president of Harris County Young Democrats. The next race is Houston Council At-Large 3.</p>
00:57:08		<p>James Burnett: So, this was an interesting race for us. The committee recommended Janaeya. Marcel didn't screen with our committee. We had reached out for him a few times, and at the time of our screening, Janaeya was the only Progressive in that race with a</p>

<p>00:57:25</p>	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>She is endorsed.</i></p> <p>SUBTITLE: <i>Congratulations to her.</i></p>	<p>proven track record of being a Democrat.</p> <p>James Burnett: All in favor of endorsing Janaeya Carmouche? All right. Well, thanks. She is endorsed. Congratulations to her. Okay.</p>
<p>00:57:42</p>		<p>Marcel: Well, I'll be frank. I will say, we did not work as hard as we should have for this endorsement. And yes, yeah. That's my ...</p>
<p>00:57:58</p>		<p>David Lee: You lost the endorsement. Emails didn't get sent or something like that, so that's what—</p>
<p>00:58:03</p>		<p>Marcel: An email was not sent to our campaign email with a questionnaire in it.</p>
<p>00:58:06</p>		<p>David Lee: Yeah, but you guys should be on top of it.</p>
<p>00:58:08</p>		<p>David Lee: We need to make sure every single endorsement that's coming up that you absolutely ace it.</p>
<p>00:58:15</p>		<p>David Lee: Wait, no, no. Let's back up. You send it. Let's get the basics right here.</p>
<p>00:58:20</p>		<p>Chris: When Bethany called me and said, "You're a young kid, and let's start screening because I like you", we reschedule with them. Do you have any idea how insulting that was to take that call from somebody I trained?</p>
<p>00:58:35</p>		<p>David Lee: But, you're fucking yourself up.</p>
<p>00:58:39</p>		<p>Marcel: I hear everyone. I'm just ... But, I hear everything, and it's all going to change. And so, I just want you all to see and feel that.</p>

00:58:49		David Lee: I need to get going. Have a good one.
00:58:51		Almeda: We're going to win you back, David.
00:58:53		David Lee: All right.
00:58:54		Elvonte: So, when do we need to send this out?
00:58:59		Chris: The digital stuff?
00:59:00		Elvonte: Yes. Because we can do—
00:59:01		Chris: No, we can't.
00:59:04		David Lee: I love Marcel, but on a professional level, I have to step back. It's seriously disappointing.
00:59:15		David Lee: But, there is a redemption story if he learns the lesson from all of this to get his shit together. He has infinite potential.
00:59:40		Marcel: It all hit me this week that I was one of three kids in my grade staying in Houston. The other two are going to UH.
00:59:50		Marcel: So, I've got to say bye to some of my friends who are leaving today. And I'm sad about it. I'm really sad about it.
01:00:00		Marcel: I just keep telling myself, "Everyone else that's lived longer than you has had to do the same thing, so it can't be that bad." That's the only thing that I can tell myself to feel better about it.
01:00:21		Marcel: Wind took it. I probably have an R. I don't know.
01:00:29		Tyler: That sucked.
01:00:33		Marcel: When are you leaving?
01:00:34		Will: What?

01:00:35		Marcel: When are you leaving?
01:00:36		Will: The 29th for school.
01:00:38		Marcel: Are we supposed to cry? This is the last group we're going to ... the last time we ...
01:00:46		Marcel: The summer after high school, people leaving for college, you don't get that back. No, we're not going to talk again, but we won't be balling out at Wilchester Elementary School on a Friday evening.
01:00:58		Kyron: Come back in 20 years.
01:01:01		Marcel: Start balling up. Whenever we have a reunion, we've got to ... We'll just be here.
01:01:06		Kyron: You know where we are. You know where we're at.
	TITLE CARD OVER STREET, FADE IN/OUT: 3 WEEKS UNTIL ELECTION	
01:01:22		Marcel: We're picking up signs today finally, and I'm super excited. Oh, they're so good, so good.
	TWITTER POST: <i>SIGNS SIGNS SIGNS! DM and we'll put one in your yard</i>	
01:01:41		Marcel: I didn't realize they were going to be this damn big, but they're big. It'll work.
01:02:00		Marcel: It ain't going to work.
01:02:05		Driver: Hey, kid. Do you need any help?
01:02:06		Marcel: I think we've got it, but I appreciate it.
01:02:10		Driver: All right, well, good luck to you.
01:02:14		Marcel: Made it work. Winner, winner. Ain't that something?

01:02:21	<p>TWITTER POST: <i>Keep sending your pics! Love seeing our signs in your yards DM for your very own</i></p>	<p>Marcel: We go to church with this family.</p>
01:02:37	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>Don't do it.</i></p>	<p>Kubosh Volunteer: Don't do it. Do not put those signs in front of Kubosh. You do not put that sign right in front of Kubosh.</p>
01:02:44	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>Do not put those signs in front of Kubosh.</i></p>	<p>Marcel: We're going to get Kubosh out of office.</p>
01:02:45		<p>Marcel: Yeah, I appreciate it. Have a good night.</p>
01:02:48		<p>Marcel: He pays her a thousand bucks to work the polls.</p>
01:02:56		<p>Marcel: Honestly, if you want to go put these in people's yards today.</p>
01:03:00		<p>Marion: Give me five.</p>
01:03:02		<p>Marcel: I'll give you six.</p>
01:03:03		<p>Marion: Okay, that sounds good.</p>
01:03:06		<p>Marcel: Excellent. Onto the next.</p>
01:03:09		<p>Marcel: I'm probably going to do this until I sleep.</p>
01:03:24		<p>James: That's the only son I have. The baby.</p>
01:03:28		<p>James: When I think back about him being a kid and seeing him on that now, the two pictures just don't go together. That's his graduation picture, and he looks like he was coming out of school to do something, the way he's looking on it. So, he did good. That's a good way to vote for the first time. Your name's on it.</p>

01:03:50		James: The reality of what's going on is setting in, but it hasn't really gotten here yet. So, it's exciting. At the same time, you just pause, reflect a little bit about yourself, and you kind of feel where he got it from. And I know it's a cross between his mother and I, so I know it's genuine. It's not made up. It's genuine.
01:04:18		James: But, he's turned out to be an amazing young man, and for as long as I have left here, hopefully I'll get to see a good part of it.
01:04:34		Chris: It's Sunday before early vote. There will be a line at all of these early voting locations.
01:04:38		Almeda: That's right.
01:04:39		Chris: Getting your name in front of them at the early vote locations, I think, is important.
01:04:43		Elvonte: You have to be there.
01:04:44		Marcel: Be there to meet them.
01:04:45		Elvonte: Yeah.
01:04:45		Chris: Hey, think about it. The people that vote need to know your name.
01:04:47	LOWER THIRD: EARLY VOTING DAY 1	Marcel: Deal, deal, and deal. Let's do it.
01:04:53		Marcel: I'm putting in signs, and I'm going to meet voters. I want to win. Make a right turn. Marcel McClinton, At-Large 3.
01:05:07		Marcel: Marcel McClinton. How are you doing? I was waving at you over there.
01:05:13		Candidate: So, you're not going to get any votes just standing out here. You need to be posted up over here. You need to make sure you're the last person to talk to the voter, right?

01:05:21		Marcel: Okay. Perfect.
01:05:23		Candidate: Okay, all right.
01:05:25		Marcel: Have you all voted yet?
01:05:26		Voter: Not yet.
01:05:27		Marcel: I'll give you someone to vote for, someone really good that I know well.
01:05:32		Marcel: Hi, there. I'm Marcel, running in At-Large 3.
01:05:34	<p>LOWER THIRD: EARLY VOTING DAY 3</p> <p>TWITTER POST: Get out and vote, y'all!</p> <p>TWITTER POST: Thanks for your vote, @AnniseParker! Proud to know we've got your support.</p>	<p>Marcel: Everyone, get out to the polls and vote, vote, vote. There's no excuse to not vote in this election.</p>
01:05:41	<p>LOWER THIRD: EARLY VOTING DAY 4</p>	<p>Janaeya: Hi, Janaeya Carmouche, At-Large 3. Janaeya Carmouche. Janaeya Carmouche for At-Large 3.</p>
01:05:47		<p>Kubosh Volunteer: Vote Michael Kubosh At-Large Position 3. Thanks for early voting.</p>
01:05:51	<p>SUBTITLE: Are you a volunteer?</p>	<p>Volunteer: Are you volunteer?</p>
01:05:52		<p>Kubosh Volunteer: Not me! I've been getting paid since I was eight-years old to push this stuff.</p>
01:05:58		<p>Almeda: This young man is running for At-Large 3.</p>
01:06:02		<p>Voter: Wasn't he in high school?</p>
01:06:03		<p>Almeda: No, he graduated.</p>

01:06:05	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>I told him over at HBAD he needs to go home and get some training</i></p> <p>SUBTITLE: <i>before he come out here and try to talk about running for a seat.</i></p>	<p>Female Volunteer: I told him over at HBAD he need to go home and get some training before he come out here and try to talk about running for a seat.</p>
01:06:10		<p>Almeda: Why?</p>
01:06:11		<p>Female Volunteer: Because he couldn't even talk plain. We couldn't even understand nothing that he was saying.</p>
01:06:16	<p>LOWER THIRD: EARLY VOTING DAY 6</p>	<p>Male Volunteer: I talked to him for about an hour, and he's a great person.</p>
01:06:19		<p>Male Volunteer: Eighteen-years old and running for city council? That's what we need.</p>
01:06:24		<p>Marcel: And just say, "Marcel's running for city council. Here's what he stands for. We would appreciate your vote today. Thanks for coming out to the vote." And then, they'll keep walking.</p>
01:06:33		<p>Marion: This is my son, Marcel McClinton. This is my son, Marcel McClinton At-Large 3.</p>
01:06:41	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>Sharp-looking young man.</i></p>	<p>Voter: A sharp looking young man.</p>
01:06:44		<p>Marion: Thank you. I wish you would have had more volunteers.</p>
01:06:47		<p>Marcel: It'd be nice.</p>
01:06:49		<p>Chris: So far, only 56,000 people have voted in the city of Houston.</p>
01:06:52	<p>SUBTITLE: <i>Damn, that's low.</i></p>	<p>Almeda: Damn, that's low.</p>
01:06:53		<p>Chris: 56,000 out of 1.2 million. That's a low turnout. A low turnout helps an incumbent because you have name ID. We're definitely fucking up here. We've</p>

01:07:06	LOWER THIRD: EARLY VOTING DAY 9	got to get younger voters out if we're going to change this election. Elvonte: Right now, we're trying to fight for a runoff.
01:07:10		Marcel: Have you all already voted?
01:07:12	SUBTITLE: Nah, I'm not voting.	Student: No, I'm not voting.
01:07:13		Marcel: Have you already voted? No? You planning on it? No. You going to vote?
01:07:21		Student: Nope.
01:07:21		Marcel: You going to vote? They're not going to vote.
01:07:26		Marcel: Students on campus, they're not going to study the city council candidates, so I've got to go to them. And I wish we did months ago. But, it's our fault. It's our fault.
	LOWER THIRD, FADE ON: NIGHT BEFORE ELECTION	
01:07:53		Marcel: We're trying to see if you've already voted. I would appreciate your vote. I'm running in At-Large 3 against Council member Michael Kubosh.
01:07:58		Homeowner: Okay.
01:08:01		Marcel: Hey, sir. Sir? Sir? I'm running for city council. Have you already voted? Okay.
01:08:06		Man in Car: No, no no. You trying to get yourself shot out here?
01:08:08		Marcel: How are you doing, sir? So, I'm running in At-Large 3 city council, challenging Michael Kubosh.
01:08:13		Doorstep Voter: You're running against a good man.
01:08:16		Marcel: What has he done?

01:08:17		Doorstep Voter: Well, he got red light cameras taken off.
01:08:22		Marcel: I actually asked him what he's done in the city recently.
01:08:25		Doorstep Voter: What did he say?
01:08:25		Marcel: He brought up the red light cameras, and that was six years ago.
01:08:27		Doorstep Voter: Right. Well, that was years ago.
01:08:28		Marcel: Right, but that means that there's not been anything recent that he's done in the city of Houston.
01:08:31		Doorstep Voter: No.
01:08:32		Marcel: I would appreciate your consideration tomorrow.
01:08:33		Doorstep Voter: Well, you've got my vote.
01:08:34		Marcel: Deal. Awesome. I appreciate it.
01:08:36		Doorstep Voter: I will be voting for you tomorrow.
01:08:37		Marcel: Deal. Tomorrow, tomorrow is the day.
01:08:39		Doorstep Voter: Tomorrow is the day.
01:08:40		Marcel: And tell your friends. Tell your neighbors.
01:08:41		Doorstep Voter: I'll let them know Marcel is the man.
01:08:43		Marcel: Awesome, awesome. I appreciate it.
	LOWER THIRD, FADE ON: <i>ELECTION DAY</i>	
01:08:51		Elvonte: It's Taco Tuesday. No, just playing. It's Election Day.

	SIGN IN GRASS: VOTING HERE	
01:09:01		Marcel: How are you?
01:09:02		Poll Volunteer: Good. Thank you for asking.
01:09:03		Marcel: For sure. I'm great. I'm a first-time voter. I'm really excited.
01:09:06		Poll Volunteer: Oh, congratulations!
01:09:06		Marcel: And I'm voting for myself. Yes.
01:09:21		Marcel: Thank you, thank you.
01:09:22		Poll Volunteer: Thank you.
01:09:23		Marcel: I appreciate you. Have a good one.
01:09:23		Poll Volunteer: You have a good one.
01:09:27		Marcel: It feels good. It feels really good.
01:09:33		Marcel: I voted for the first time as a fresh 18-year-old and candidate for city council in the fourth largest city in America. Wild, which is how I feel. Just wild ass fuck.
01:09:51	SUBTITLE How are you?	Marcel: <i>Vas tu?</i>
01:09:52	SUBTITLE What?	Marion: <i>Was?</i>
01:09:53	SUBTITLE How are you?	Marcel: <i>Wie geht's?</i>
01:09:54	SUBTITLE - Stressed? - Yeah.	Marion: <i>Gestresst?</i> Marcel: <i>Ja.</i>
01:09:56	SUBTITLE Look, this is for you.	Marion: Look, <i>dies ist für dich.</i>
01:09:57	SUBTITLE Thank you!	Marcel: <i>Danke schön!</i>

01:09:58	SUBTITLE <i>Because I want to say thank you for all the work you've done.</i>	Marion: <i>Weil ich will dir sagen, danke für deine ganze Arbeit das du gemacht hast.</i>
01:10:02	SUBTITLE <i>Yes, thank you.</i>	Marcel: <i>Ja, und danke dir. Gut.</i>
01:10:05	SUBTITLE <i>Thank you.</i>	Marcel: <i>Danke schön.</i> Can I put it over here?
01:10:07		Marion: Yeah.
01:10:08		James: Hey, big guy.
01:10:09		Marcel: Hello, hello, hello.
01:10:10		James: What are the numbers looking like?
01:10:13		Marcel: So, 108,000 are in, and they're saying that 100,000 have voted today. So, there could be anything in the next many hours.
01:10:23		Marcel: Yeah. Do you all want to join over here or sit over there? Okay.
01:10:28		Marion: Family, family, family, family, family, family, family. It's a divorced family and still family.
01:10:39		Marcel: Good to see you, sir.
01:10:41		Marcel: It hasn't loaded for the longest time.
01:10:45		Elvonte: You've all seen the early, early votes?
01:10:49		Marcel: So did we. So did we.
01:10:52	SUBTITLE <i>Final results won't come in until 1 o'clock tonight.</i>	Elvonte: The final results won't come until 1:00 tonight.
01:10:57	SUBTITLE <i>51 percent.</i>	Marcel: Kubosh is at 51%.
01:11:02	SUBTITLE <i>Janaeya was at twenty... what?</i>	Elvonte: Janaeya was at 20 what?

01:11:05		Marcel: Three?
01:11:05	SUBTITLE <i>And you was at 11?</i>	Elvonte: And you was at 11%?
01:11:06	SUBTITLE <i>We're at 11.</i>	Marcel: We're at 11%. It's kind of fucking insane.
01:11:10	SUBTITLE <i>Incumbent, man.</i>	Supporter: Incumbent, man.
01:11:16		Marcel: Okay, I'm going to say a couple words. Come join over here.
01:11:20		Marcel: So, we are coming up short in the early vote totals. Kubosh is at 51%. We won't have any final numbers until 2:00 a.m.
01:11:30		Marcel: We've been at it - Adam, my mom, and Gion, Elvonte, Almeda who's not here right now, Chris and Mimi - since February.
01:11:40		Marcel: And so, thank you very much from the bottom of my heart. Thank you, thank you, thank you.
01:11:47		Photographer: That's it, everybody. Everybody smiling? Smile. I'm going to get a few more. One, two, three. Smile.
01:12:05		Marion: <i>Danke. Danke, danke.</i> Enough.
01:12:09		Marcel: Fill the glass up.
01:12:13		Marcel: I looked at... There's 70 something thousand ballots to be counted, so it's just going to be pretty annoying to watch.
01:12:22		Marcel: This is a lot worse than being an activist because when you're an activist, you can watch other people's races who you support and whatever happens happens. But now, it feels like I'm letting people down.
01:12:35		Marcel: We didn't keep a promise.

01:12:51		Marion: Marcel, you did an awesome job.
01:12:53		Marcel: Was it worth it?
01:12:55		Marion: Oh, yes. It was worth it.
01:13:00		Marcel: I don't know.
01:13:02		Marion: Whatever the result is, there was a purpose for it that you got this call to do this.
01:13:08		Marcel: Mm-hmm (affirmative).
01:13:10		Marion: And we don't see right now the outcome, but look in six months how much did your race make the difference for the future.
01:13:23		Marcel: Well, I'll feel that way if we can bring him out of 50%. I want Janaeya to be elected.
01:13:32		Marcel: And I don't think that I ever want to do this again in my entire life.
01:13:43		Cathy Hernandez: That's exactly why the county clerk is expected to speak this afternoon about that delay in releasing the results. The candidates had to wait 12 hours after the polls closed for the unofficial results. Reporting live in downtown Houston, Cathy Hernandez, KQRC Channel 2 News.
01:13:59		Marion: I couldn't sleep.
01:14:00		Marcel: Yeah, I couldn't sleep either. I kept checking the results, and he was still at 50.76%. And then, I woke up today at 7:30, refreshed it again, and he's at 47.7%, which means he's going to a runoff.
01:14:17		Marion: I'm incredibly proud of you. I want to ... Yes, he did it.

01:14:25		Marcel: Yeah. Now, it feels ... Yesterday, it didn't feel worth it because I was like, he cannot win. It just did not feel worth it. But today, waking up three hours later, it feels good. It feels really good.
01:15:32	SUBTITLE	Marcel: Hey, Janaeya. What's up?
01:15:34	<i>Hey Marcel, how are you?</i>	Janaeya: Hey, Marcel. How are you?
01:15:35		Marcel: I'm good, I'm good. Congrats. I was psyched to wake up and see that he's in a runoff, so it's really exciting. Great work.
01:15:44		Janaeya: Thank you.
01:15:45		Marcel: Yeah.
01:15:45		Janaeya: Thanks to you.
01:15:46		Marcel: Yeah, for sure.
01:15:47	SUBTITLE	Janaeya: It was a team effort.
01:15:48	<i>It was a team effort.</i>	Marcel: It was. It was. So, he needs to go, but he's going to pull everything that he can because this is the last thing that I think he expected.
01:15:56	SUBTITLE	Janaeya: I think so, too.
01:15:57	<i>I think so, too.</i>	Marcel: Yeah, yeah. So, poll working, I'll work the polls for you, with you, whatever's happening. I can surrogate at events. I want to Team JC for 3 t-shirt.
01:16:08	SUBTITLE	Janaeya: Awesome. That would be awesome.
01:16:09	<i>Awesome! That would be awesome.</i>	Marcel: Something.
01:16:11	SUBTITLE	Janaeya: Marcel, this has been awesome, and I'm so excited that you did so well and that you energized so many people.
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01:16:17	<p>SUBTITLE <i>I really want you to stick to your path moving forward.</i></p>	<p>Janaeya: I really want you to stick to your path moving forward and making sure that you continue to serve and be the leader that you are. So, it's been a real pleasure.</p>
	<p>SUBTITLE <i>Making sure that you continue to serve and be the leader that you are.</i></p>	
01:16:27	<p>SUBTITLE <i>So, it's been a real pleasure.</i></p>	<p>Marcel: I appreciate it. I appreciate it. Thank you and will do. Yeah, yeah. Let's get him out first, and then, we'll talk about the next few years.</p>
01:16:35	<p>SUBTITLE <i>You know what? That sounds like a plan.</i></p>	<p>Janaeya: You know what? That sounds like a plan.</p>
01:16:38		<p>Marcel: Okay, sounds good. Talk to you later.</p>
01:16:40		<p>Janaeya: Thank you. Bye.</p>
01:16:41	<p>TIME ID OVER CITYSCAPE, FADE IN/OUT: ONE WEEK LATER</p>	<p>Marcel: Yeah, peace out. Bye.</p>
01:17:04		<p>Marcel: 220...</p>
01:17:11		<p>Marcel: I'm here specifically for Janaeya Carmouche. I actually ran for council At-Large 3 against Kubosh. I lost before the runoff, but I'm supporting Janaeya Carmouche.</p>
01:17:19		<p>Marcel: And so, we're trying to push folks back to the polls in December, and I would appreciate you voting for her.</p>
01:17:24		<p>Voter: All right, thank you.</p>
01:17:24		<p>Marcel: Absolutely. Thank you.</p>
01:17:26		<p>Marcel: JC for 3.</p>
01:17:32		<p>Marion: I said, "Marcel, I think I'm an activist. I cannot vote and still have my</p>

<p>01:18:13</p>	<p>WEBPAGE ON SCREEN: <i>ApplyTexas</i></p> <p>TITLE CARD OVER BLACK: <i>READY OR NOT</i></p> <p>TITLE CARD OVER BLACK: <i>DIRECTED BY DAVID MODIGLIANI & PALOMA MARTINEZ</i></p> <p>TITLE CARD OVER BLACK: <i>The run-off election concluded with low voter turnout. Riding his financial advantage and name ID, Michael Kubosh defeated Janaeya "JC" Carmouche. Marcel continues his activism in the community.</i></p>	<p>Green Card. But, I can speak and I can spread out the word, and I can make my voice be heard. Not just the big people in the dark suit." So, yeah. For Marcel, I got into it.</p> <p>Marcel: Recount a time when you faced a challenge, set back, or failure. How did it affect you, and what did you learn from the experience? That's the one I'm going to use.</p>
<p>01:18:58</p>	<p>TITLE CARD OVER BLACK: <i>PRODUCERS RACHEL ECKLUND PALOMA MARTINEZ DAVID MODIGLIANI</i></p> <p>TITLE CARD OVER BLACK: <i>EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS LIAS JEFF STEEN SARAH O'NEILL BARRY MUNGER</i></p>	<p>Marcel: The people united will never be divided. The people united will never be divided.</p>

<p>01:19:15</p>	<p>TITLE CARD OVER BLACK: CO-EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS MERYL METNI ASHLEY PETTUS WELLSPRING FOUNDATION</p> <p>TITLE CARD OVER BLACK: EDITORS SAM WAINWRIGHT DOUGLAS DAVID BARTNER</p>	<p>Marcel: Keep the pressure on your school board, and then the superintendent ... Say you want to see this stuff happen, let them know that you don't feel safe going to these games because you feel like someone's going to bring a gun back.</p>
<p>01:19:37</p>	<p>TITLE CARD OVER BLACK: MUSIC DAVID GARZA</p> <p>CREDITS BEGIN</p>	<p>Marcel: And this is my new favorite hat. I think it was \$6 bucks. It's got hula girls on it to match the uniform.</p>