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"I know that at a time when so much seems to be pulling us apart, it can be hard to imagine how we'll ever pull together again. But I'm here to tell you tonight - progress is possible."

HILLARY CLINTON



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Presidential candidate Hillary Clinton waves as she addresses the Democratic National Convention on Thursday in Philadelphia.

Clinton promises to bring nation together

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PHILADELPHIA - Promising Americans a steady hand, Hillary Clinton cast herself Thursday night as a unifier for divided times, steered for the challenges of a volatile world by decades in politics that have left some Americans skeptical that she understands their lives.

Clinton took the stage to roaring applause from flag-waving delegates. But her real audience was the millions of voters who may welcome her experience but question her character.

Clinton acknowledged those concerns briefly, saying "I get it that some people just don't know what to make of me." But her primary focus was portraying herself as the only qualified candidate in a general election contest against Republican Donald Trump.

Clinton's four-day convention began with efforts to shore up liberals who backed Bernie Sanders in the Democratic primary and it ended with an outstretched hand to Republicans and independents unnerved by Trump. A parade of military leaders, law enforcement officials and Republicans took the stage ahead of Clinton to

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Casey Wolf Shapiro McGinty

DNC brings attention to Pennsylvania issues

BY DAVE SUTOR

PHILADELPHIA - Hosting the Democratic National Convention provided Pennsylvania a platform from which to showcase its prominent political leaders - and important issues - to the nation.

inside the Wells Fargo Center, addressing thousands of delegates in attendance and millions of voters watching on television. Vice President Joe Biden, a Scranton native, entered the center to the theme from "Rocky," the iconic boxing movie set in Philadelphia, before giving a speech on Wednesday.

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Dems stress party unity as key to beating Trump

BY DAVE SUTOR

PHILADELPHIA - Being "Stronger Together" - as both a nation and a party - was a main point emphasized all week during the Democratic National Convention.

It was a message that seemed to resonate with Pennsylvania party members, especially after Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders closed the nomination process by asking the delegates to suspend procedural rules and support former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton. His gesture came after a tight primary between Clinton, a candidate favored by the party establishment, and Sanders, an independent populist.

"The primary was hard-fought

between two candidates, both of whom have a very passionate following," Pennsylvania Democratic Party Chairman Marcel Groen said. "And both of whom were historical. For people that are new to the process, especially, it's really difficult to get over a loss, so it takes a little bit of time."

"We've got to give them their time. We can see from the polls that most of the Bernie people are going to vote for Hillary." Former Lt. Gov. Mark Singel, a Johnstown native, said Sanders' action should "send a very strong message to all of his supporters that it's time to get on board."

Democrats wanted to eliminate any large divisions within the party

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RANDY GRIFFITH/THE TRIBUNE-DEMOCRAT

Councilman Jack Williams wears a firearm at Thursday's Johnstown City Council meeting.

Councilman packing gun at meeting

BY RANDY GRIFFITH

A handgun on the belt of confrontational Johnstown City Councilman Jack Williams had more than one of his colleagues concerned at Thursday's special meeting.

"Mr. Williams is carrying a firearm on him," Councilman David Vitovich said, asking city Solicitor Elizabeth Benjamin if it was permitted.

Benjamin said there is nothing prohibiting weapons at council meetings.

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