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You were never one to believe what the pundits said. As they were busy crowning Hillary as the presumptive Democrat nominee, you were building up a grass roots organization and doing what you do best...talking. Your oratory inspired new voters to register, the disenfranchised to come back to the fold. Your rhetoric touched many with your themes of unity and change.

And so you began your ascent. You picked up some enticing celebrity endorsements, but none bigger than Oprah. If she can get people to actually buy books, imagine what she can motivate voters to do. More importantly, you started escalating in the polls. You agreed with Edwards that poverty is an important issue, but you still left him in the dust. Other Democratic senators with more experience simply couldn't compete with your oratory and message. Could you even compete with Hillary? Ah, the audacity of hope.

Then it wasn't just hope any more – it was a concrete reality. You won Iowa! No stopping you now, baby...until Hillary won New Hampshire. Then you took South Carolina. Then Super Tuesday appeared ready to anoint a winner...until it didn't. You won more states, but Hillary won bigger ones. Neck and neck, you battled for delegates. Who has the lock on this nomination?

Evidently neither of you. Or both of you. Back and forth, your wins seesawed with hers. She wins California, New York and Texas, and you still have more delegates. But the race is still undecided. Why? What's left? Ah, the superdelegates. They aren't all pledged yet. Many were lining up behind you early on, pledging their support. Some big names, too, giving you an aura of inevitability. Several mentioned not wanting to thwart the will of the people, and announcing they would support whoever had the popular vote. Still, seems to give you the edge. However, heading in to the convention, it was still anybody's game.

ZZZZZZZTTTT! POP! Sizzle! Crack! Oh, what now? The machines that count the votes have gone haywire! Seems like a hacker finally was able to tweak the machines, proving that tampering was not only possible, but likely. And by infecting them with a virus that destroyed the motherboard, all the results are wiped out. Gone. Vanished. So did you really come in second, or did you win? Hmmmmmm...It's already September and everything about the election is in shambles. How can the nation restore the people's confidence in a fair and free election so close to November?

A new election, with all the candidates back in the race! Yes, everyone is back in play. All the Republican and Democrat primary aspirants will be on one big ballot in November. The voters can choose whomever they like out of all possible contenders. Your political career is not over – it's only just begun. Now you need to go forward and start collecting votes, so you'll have the states you need in the Electoral College to win the election!

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1. Now is your chance to blow your rivals away
The people will love you when they hear what you say
Your message of hope will unify masses
And make apathetic voters get off their asses
Of course being liberal is your first way to go
116 leads to VIII if you're not too slow
Over the LA highway you stay the course
You're much more now than a dark horse
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Though you loathe being conservative, a quick turn in
Leads to parking to your political chagrin
You can't wait to start your White House residency
A *bridge* to the future will be your presidency
Your political future is riding Sky high
You feel a state's delegates are close by
Cross that bridge when you come to it, they say
Don't let faulty guesswork get in the way
Your chances are looking up in this place
Definitely closer to pulling ahead in the race
Your delegate count will escalate
When you take your first state
2. Nobody said campaigning was easy
So far your strategy isn't sleazy
Take the high road, don't sling the mud
You'll finish smelling like a rosebud
Most importantly, you won't turn off voters
And hopefully they'll become your promoters
But upon your laurels you cannot rest
You need more states to pass the test
Back to the CDV you must now race
Northerly if you want to keep up the pace
At DXX toward the ocean you head
And cross the lake – nothing to dread
You're picking up voters who've not voted before
Students are comprising your volunteer corps
Nearby the richest man in town
Has built something of renown
It's not the building, but the annex you seek
To keep up your winning streak
Shiny and silvery, it twists about
A modern spin for your victory rout

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3. You have two states, but you need still more
(Just remember what happened to Gore)
An ocean street is what you need
To take you to DXIII with all speed
A southern state would justly prove
That your support crosses every groove
Voters young and old, poor and rich
You can beat that Hillary bitch!
With your superior oration skills
Your campaign doesn't need too many frills
That doesn't stop you from fundraising
The way you attract money is simply amazing!
XXIV takes you very near
Your volunteers are waiting to give you cheer
Lots of steps are needed to win a race
To win this one you must pick up the pace

4. The states are now coming furious and fast
Look at how many you've already amassed
Further south you must travel to see
How many more delegates you really need
You've had the audacity to hope, it's true
But you need more than hope to see this through
You need voters in every state in this land
This will cost you more than a grand
Your comment about bitter small-townners wasn't wise
Now your strategy you had better revise
You're the candidate of hope, they're sayin'
You just gave hope to Hillary's campaign
Time to get the reading on a new direction
If you have a chance in this election
Luckily, you are still the *main* contender
Can you convince your rivals to surrender?

5. Ah, you feel invigorated
To see your words so celebrated
Will this help you pick up another state?
You can't afford to sit and wait
Time to pick up the campaign pace

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If you expect to win this race
Wait – what’s this? A little hitch?
Seems your crusade has run into a glitch
Video has surfaced of Reverend Wright
He won’t go quietly into the night
Goddamn America? What was he drinking?
Now voters want to know what you were thinking
You stayed in that church for quite a long time
Of course, free speech isn’t a crime
But this makes it harder for you to explain
That – and your middle name is Hussein
You need a big win to divert attention
And make clear your honorable intentions

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LITTLE CLUES

2. (at escalator at Mall, leads to sculpture at UWA campus)

DEPARTMENT
OF FORENSIC
MORPHOLOGY
ANNEX
_____ STREET
NEAR _____ STREET
NEAR GATES LAW BUILDING

(found at UWA Sculpture, leads to Volunteer Park brick water tank tower)

3. So a couple of dozen volunteers will get you started
They're eager after hearing the wisdom you imparted
The southern states have come easily for you
A little surprising, given your hue
A jog in the street gives you one less than before
That's OK, you don't need anymore
A Hawaiian hello is quite alright
You feel your next stop is within your sights
*...have to get them to 14th & Prospect – is that the right entrance for the Water
Tower, or is it E. Galer & 15th?*
A brick cylinder looms quite large
Time for Team Obama to take charge
You want your numbers to ascend
If with Hillary you are to contend
Inside.....
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(found at Water Tank Tower in Volunteer Park, leads to Elliott Bay Book Co.)

1. Start on **14TH AVE E** (at E PROSPECT ST & 14TH AVE E in SEATTLE) going toward **E WARD ST** - go **0.1** mi
2. Bear Right on **E ALOHA ST**
3. Turn Left on **13TH AVE E** - go **0.5** mi
4. Turn Right on **E JOHN ST** - go **0.2** mi
5. Continue on **E OLIVE WAY** - go **0.3** mi

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6. Turn Right on **E DENNY WAY** - go **0.2** mi
7. Turn Left on **STEWART ST**
8. Turn Left on **YALE AVE**
9. Take ramp onto **I-5 S** - go **0.5** mi
10. Take exit #165A/JAMES ST. onto **6TH AVE** - go **0.7** mi
11. Turn Right on **YESLER WAY** - go **0.3** mi
12. Turn Left on **2ND AVE**
13. Bear Right on **2ND AVE**
14. Turn Right on **S MAIN ST** - go **0.1** mi
15. Arrive at 101 **S MAIN ST**, SEATTLE, on the Left

4. Oy, those stairs! Your aching thighs
This better bring you closer to the prize
One more state in the win column
But instead of celebrating, you feel solemn
You haven't won a really big state
Maybe it's time to educate
Maybe if more voters could read your words
They would see it's you they preferred!
Your Hawaiian street leads to an unlucky number
South you go, but do not slumber
Blocks you go til you see Mr. McCain
Predictably it's conservative on the street with his name
A 24-hour restaurant is the correct choice
Then liberally on Stewart to keep your voice
Liberally again when you see the Eli's school
South on V is now the rule
The James Street exit leads to VI, and then
A conservative Yes, sir! keeps you zen
Finally a liberal you get to be
A 2nd chance as you can see
Your opponents are mainly conservative, and yet
Parking soon is your best bet

("found" at Elliott Bay Book Co – on clear transparency, leads to Library)

5. Highlighted letters on transparency