**K I L L I N G R E P U B L I C A N S
-A Rock Opera-**

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**CAST:**

**VOICE OF CAPTAIN

JODIE FOSTER – Hollywood VIP

BILLY BOB FROM BILOXI – Shell Oil’s man on the ground in Port Harcourt**

 **GOODNESS GRACIOUS – Nigerian Afrobeat/Nollywood VIP**

**AIRLINE STEWARDESSES (2) - Backup Singers/Dancers**

**ACT ONE**

**CAPTAIN VOICEOVER :

Sound Check. Testing: 1-2-3-4. This is your Captain  thinking out loud to no one in particular,  one of our three connecting flight VIP Frequent First Class Flyers is finally boarding so welcome aboard Jodie Foster to our otherwise unoccupied First Class cabin delayed on the runway here in Paris...waiting for our other two VIP first class passengers to arrive...I will keep you informed

(JODIE IS IMPATIENT & FIDGETS IN HER 1ST CLASS LUXURY AIRPLANE SEAT)

CAPTAIN VOICEOVER
Attention Ms Foster as there are no other Ladies & Gentlemen flying 1st class TransAtlantic  This is your Captain speaking  I apologize again for ANOTHER  20 minute delay while we waited for the other two VIP first class Platinum frequent flyers now coming aboard please fasten your seatbelts and prepare for immediate take off...

(BILLY AND GOODNESS ENTER & SIT IN LUXURY AIRPLANE SEATS NEXT TO JODIE)**

**SONG ONE**

**ENTIRE CAST**

**Transatlantic Virgin Airlines We go fly hip international**

**Transatlantic Virgin Airlines We go fly hip international**

**We met in first class**

**Go VIP room**

**Go first Go A-list**

**We go, so first class**

**Transatlantic Virgin Airlines We go fly hip international**

**How do you do?**

 **BILLYBOB

Howdy M'am , Me I say I be BILLYBOB
Oh yeah Yeah Yeah
I know who you is...But you just met me
I'm the redneck who introduced Nigerian diners to Grits

CHORUS

Transatlantic Virgin Airlines We go fly hip international**

**Transatlantic Virgin Airlines We go fly hip international

JODIE
That's cute cowboy
I'm Jodie Foster
I make big time movies,Sure thing
Life's a Trip

BILLYBOB

Billybob From Biloxi Rockabilly Oilman
Ain't this a trip
Already a trip**

**CHORUS
Transatlantic Virgin Airlines We go fly hip international**

**Transatlantic Virgin Airlines We go fly hip international**

 **GOODNESS GRACIOUS**

**I do know you**

**And we so pleased to meet you**

**So how do you do?**

**I do know you and look so delicious**

**So how do you do?**

 **You no come my way?
Me I say
I go be Gracious
Goodness Gracious
That my name
Nollywood Afrobeat VIP
Hello I say
You go welcome
We should all Feel welcome On this plane

JODIE
Hollywood Nollywood
A pleasure to meet you
Goodness Gracious
Oh yes yes yes

GOODNESS
Nollywood Hollywood
Miss delicious
Jodie Foster
Oh yes yes yes

BILLYBOB
Hollywood Nollywood
Rockabilly AfroBeat
Billybob digs AfroBeat
Excuse me pretty ladies
But I smell a Mashup
Of songs coming on
Oh yeah yeah yeah

CHORUS
Transatlantic Virgin Airlines We go fly hip international**

**Transatlantic Virgin Airlines We go fly hip international**

**GOODNESS
We go talk English
No be de Queen English**

 **You go talk American
And you go Talk pidgin
We go talk fame
We go talk money
 bullshit like Fela**

**No Rockefeller game

CHORUS
What we go talk about
We go tell joke?
We go spill gossip?
Trash talk some folks?
Bullshit like Fela

GOODNESS
First class order
First class food**

 **First go drink
First Class Champagne

JODIE
Go call for Stewardess!

BILLYBOB
Go bring First Class champagne Stewardess!

SONG TWO

GOODNESS GRACIOUS
Oh my God**

**Oh my God**

**Oh my God
YOU were in "Taxi Driver"**

**CHORUS**

**Praise the Lord!

GOODNESS GRACIOUS**

**Oh my God**

**Oh my God**

**Oh my God You were in "Taxi Driver"**

**CHORUS**

**Holy Ghost!**

**GOODNESS GRACIOUS**

**Oh my God**

**Oh my God**

**Oh my God You were in "Taxi Driver"**

**CHORUS**

**Praise Jesus!**

**BILLYBOB
significant for my wife Goodness Gracious's first film role was as the 13 year old child prostitute in "Cabu-Cabu Driver"

JODIE
You've pulling my leg!

GOODNESS
I've got a Best Actress AfroOscar for "Roots: The Prequel" and an AfroGrammy for my hit album "Funky Fuzzy Sounds of Lagos Sequel"

BILLYBOB
You two ladies meeting on a plane like this...hotdamn everything happens for a reason...it's a miracle!

JODIE
So are we talking religion now? Can we change the subject please? Please!

GOODNESS
I'm still comparing the movies we're in...I made another movie with a psycho Hannibal animal cannibal like you did

BILLYBOBAND GOODNESS
Another Nollywood movie
With a psycho Hannibal
Animal cannibal
Like you did**

**ALL THREE**

**Psycho Animal Cannibal Hannibal**

**Hollywood Movie Animal**

**Like you did**

 **GOODNESS
But my favorite of my movies is still "Cabu-Cabu Driver". I also had a stalker who shot the dictator of Nigeria..you should hear my hubby Billybob imitating Bobby DeNiro saying: "You talking to me?"**

**BILLYBOB
"You talking to me?"
Or are YOU talking to me?**

 **Who the hell thinks they're talking to ME?

JODIE
So now we're going for the trifecta: Religion and Movies...why not politics?**

**Can't we change the subject please, please? Please!

BILLYBOB
And Reagan and Hinkley?

JODIE
I was Blondie
The President Ronnie
Blondie and Ronnie
And a jerk named John
Dear John
Why me?
It was 1981
Freshman year
New Haven
Izod Alligator Shirts
Doc Martins on my feet
Dear John
Why me?
I never promised you**

**Rapture

Yale was so classy
Yale was so fly
If he wanted to impress me
No one had to die
Dear John
My name isn't Blondie
I don't even know Ronnie
Dear John
Don't write me anymore
Don't slide notes
Under my door
You're a jerk
Why me?
Nothing you can do will bring the Rapture

I had no show-biz peers
No confidant at Yale
Until I auditioned to act
In a Drama School tale

The playwright and I talked
To 5 in the morning
Philosophical Dialogue
Was never boring**

**(Spoken)

Sure I wanted to date nerdy Talking Head frontman David Byrne or sometimes a Wiffenpoof or maybe a couple of coeds: Meow! But my Best Bud was the writer who liked to stick his words in my mouth...For instance:

There are parties at Yale
Where everyone flys
DJ's spin
I said my my

Carved my name in a table
Carved my name on a tree
Carved Lux Et Veritas
All the same to me

And I didn't stop sure shot
I just danced out to the
Parking Lot
And I stole a car
And I drove real far
To Wooster Street
Where Italians meet
Pepe's or Sally 's
A pizzeria treat**

 **But out pops The Stalker**

**My personal Creep
So I drove fast up to
Chapel Street

Past churches on the green
Past Ivy on the walls
Past secret societies
And shopping Malls
I pulled into Louie's Lunch
Where the burger was born
When out jumps John**

**Stalker sings to me:
John loves Blondie
Swinging in a tree
F-U-C-K-I-N-G

I Kung-fu him in the nuts
I jump back in the car
East Rock - Savin Rock
I speed real far

 Sleeping Giant State Park**

**Secret Hamden Hideout**

**The Sleeping Giant
Wakes Up**

**The Giant starts to shout

GOODNESS
Hey! Did you hear?
President Reagan got shot!

JODIE
Who shot the President?

GOODNESS
John!

JODIE
John who?

BILLYBOB
Knock-Knock
John Hinkley!

JODIE
Whatabout Hinkley? Did that stalker nut job write me again?

GOODNESS
He's the one!
 He's the one!
John Hinkley
shot Reagan!

JODIE
Oh shit!  What do I say?
And then I remembered
My pal the playwright saying

BILLYBOB
Jodie, you're an actress
Let me stick my words
In your mouth:

JODIE
Dear John my jerk
He moves to Mars
Where John Makes weapons
Out of cars

Dear John becomes
The God of War
Don't even think
I'll be his whore

He eats Ministers
And Presidents
Movie Stars
And Space Cadets

And it won't stop...
It never stops...
Why Reagan?  Why me?
Because he's the fucking
God of War, okay?
And you try to run...
But he's got a HotRod that turns into a gun, okay?
No I don't keep in touch with him!  Then the President of Yale sees me eating in Mory's and interrupts me

BILLYBOB
I'm a little bit liberal
Are you a little bit
Liberal?

JODIE
NO I don't see him in prison of course not!
So Then the Secret Service sees me
At Intermission at the
Long Wharf Theater and
The Secret Service interrupts me

GOODNESS
So what, this guy write you letters or something?

JOFIE
That stalker nut job just tried to kill the President for heavens sake!  Then newspaper photographers found me studying dinosaur skeletons at the Peabody Museum and interrupted me

BILLYBOB
You're an actor from California can we assume you voted for Reagan?

JODIE
No I don't keep in touch with him but I'm intellectually curious...and then TV Paparazzi video cameramen came up to me dancing to Tom Verlaine's Television at Toad's Place and interrupted me while dancing

GOODNESS
Just suppose you're a Democrat...under those hypothetical conditions might you secretly endorse killing Republicans?

JODIE
Why Reagan?  Why me?
Nice guy, Ronald Reagan
It just happened
In real life in my life
It just happened at Yale
It didn't happen on Mars
Of course I think about it

And of course
Hundreds of strangers
New Haven, CT strangers
Approached me
Interrupted me
Like the cute little girl
At the Co-Op

BILLYBOB
Ain't you the gal who shot the President ?**

**JODIE
He wrote me
Dozens of poems
 left me
Love letters and roses
We talked on the phone
A couple of times

I never once
Not ever once
Promised him
Rapture

Why me...why not Brooke Shields...it's not fair...

     (BILLYBOB has flowers for JODIE and then points a gun at GOODNESS)

BILLYBOB
Can you please play Reagan?
Hey, I'm
Talking to you!

GOODNESS

Of course I can play Ronald Reagan the 40th President :**

**"Mr Gorbachev tear down this wall!"

BILLYBOB

Hey, I'm shooting at you:
Bang!

GOODNESS

"Nancy, Honey, I forgot to duck!"

BILLYBOB

Bang!

GOODNESS

"I hope my surgeons are all Republicans?"

BILLYBOB

Bang!

GOODNESS

"What was my horoscope today Nancy?"**

**BILLYBOB

Bang!

GOODNESS

"The bombing begins in five minutes…honey I forgot to duck!"

BILLYBOB

Bang-Bang-Bang!**

**SONG THREE:

 GOODNESS GRACIOUS

Jodi Foster's an actor - Ronald Reagan's an actor - wasn't the racist Confederate sympathizer who shot Abie Lincoln an actor?

BILLY BOB

I have a southern accent
 I get to play John Wilkes Booth!

GOODNESS

Let me act! I want to be Lincoln! I want Non-Traditional casting!

GOODNESS  PUTS ON A TOP HAT AND BEARD AND WASTECOAT

I didn't go study Yale
But I go study US Citizen test
Go study US Presidents
Go study American system

JODI AND BILLYBOB

3 branches government
2 party system
1 nation undivided E plurubus unum

GOODNESS

Abie Lincoln makes it clear to me
Abie Lincoln makes it black and white to me**

**He saved the Union**

**He won the Civil War**

**He saved the USA
Afterwards Lincoln went to see a show

BILLY BOB

Star of show was John Wilkes Booth
Booth Big Star with Tiny Gun**

**JODIE

Mary Lincoln sat with Abe**

**In the Presidential Box**

**Booth shot once**

**Lincoln slumped**

**Booth shot once**

**Lincoln slumped**

**GOODNESS (she takes gun)

West African slaves done picking your cotton
Go be Republican voters after Lincoln's War

BILLYBOB (he takes gun)

God has directed me John Wilkes Booth to act against surrendering the south to this almighty Presidential tyrant! This act  puts an end to Nigger loving Republican laws that Lincoln commands!

(BILLY BOB REVEALS A DERRINGER PISTOL AND SHOOTS GOODNESS GRACIOUS  POINT BLANK IN THE BACK OF THE HEAD. GOODNESS'S TOPHAT EXPLODES WITH BLOOD AND BRAIN MATTER.  JODIE SCREAMS HYSTERICALLY)**

**JODIE

"Why me?" I think
"What's my motivation"
I think
Doing my homework
While deep inside the mind of Mary Todd Lincoln
Why not Meryl Streep?
Meryl Streep studied
Acting at Yale
Why me?

BILLY BOB

Sic Semper Tyrannis!

GOODNESS  (comes back to life)

What language you speaking?**

**BILLYBOB

I was reciting in Latin
The Latin language is
First Class:"Thus forever to tyrants!"

JODIE

My Yale Diploma is
Written in Latin
I took a 1st class course
In American Political History!
Why Reagan?
Why Booth?
I feel a connection
To Mary Todd Lincoln...
 Why me?**

**GOODNESS  & BILLYBOB

Aside from all that Mrs Lincoln
What did you think of our show?
Aside from all that Mrs Lincoln
What did you think of our show?
(Repeat)**

**SONG FOUR:

BILLYBOB

I am no actor
I'm a real rockabilly
I'm an oil rig foreman
And I make good money

I was born in Biloxi
But don't you call me
Johnny Reb
I'm married to an African
I'm liberal in my head

I am a southerner but
I'm a fan of:

JODIE AND GOODNESS CHORUS

Charles Sumner**

**He was a Radical Republican Senator
Billy Bob's #1 Hero
He was a Radical Dude!

BILLYBOB

Slavery said Sumner
Was a rape on the nation
There's no honor in rape
If you support it
You're a pimp

Sumner said fight slave power
 Lincoln's too soft on the south
And before they killed Lincoln
Sumner took a caning for the cause**

**JODIE AND GOODNESS CHORUS

 Charles Sumner**

**He was a Radical Republican Senator
Billy Bob's #1 Hero
He was a Radical Dude
He was a Radical Dude**

**BILLYBOB

A Gentleman from Dixie
With Aristocratic Class
A Congressman named Brooks
With a Gold Tipped Walking Cane
Starts smacking Sumner with his stick
The cane smacks Sumner on the head

JODIE AND GOODNESS

The cane is covered all in red
He was caned upon his head**

**BILLYBOB

Til he was nearly dead**

**JODI AND GOODNESS**

**Til he was nearly dead**

**BILLYBOB
Caned & caned again
As Sumner bled & bled again

JODIE AND GOODNESS

He was caned upon his head
Til he was nearly dead

Got a caning & a maiming
Right on the Senate Chamber Floor**

**BILLYBOB

He beat my hero with his cane (oh...)
Congressman Brooks the bastard's name (oh...)

Lashed...and thrashed...(oh...)
Whipped...and caned...(oh...)
The head...the face...the shoulders...Sumner crouching under his Senatorial Desk...Brooks holding up Sumner by his coat lapel so he could cane him some more...**

**JODIE AND GOODNESS
 Charles Sumner he was a
 Radical republican Senator
Billy Bob's #1 Hero
He was a radical dude...

(BILLYBOB Weeps)**

 **GOODNESS GRACIOUS

Did he die?
Did he utter any famous last words?
Surely Sumner said something famous?

JODIE

Did they kill that particular Republican?**

**BILLYBOB

Not so! Ha! Not so! Hell no!
Sumner lived on
To lead the party of Lincoln! Lincoln!
Sumner lived on
To impeach President Johnson! President Johnson!
Sumner lived on
To amend the US Constitution! The US Constitution!
Sumner the Republican
Guaranteed slaves became people**

**Slaves became people!
All men are created equal
Sumner the Republican
Guaranteed Black lives really matter**

**GOODNESS

Glory Glory Hallelujah**

**Glory GloryHallelujah**

**Glory Glory Hallelujah
His truth is marching on

USA!  USA!

I am free and equal in this country thanks to the Republican Party!
Thank You, Republicans!

JODIE (imitating Sarah Palin's voice)

Well...not really...it's not as simple as that...**

**BILLYBOB

Sumner lived on
To die in 1874
Without Sumner
Reconstruction died 3 years later
The Klu Klux Klan
Took over the South

Stewardess run and go get me a mint julips

JODIE
I'm going to behave like a VIP and go smoke a joint in the co-pilot's seat
Be back in a few minutes**

**GOODNESS

I'm going to behave like a VIP and go mess up a clean bathroom
Back in a few

BILLYBOB

I'm going to behave like a VIP and go check out the stewardesses
Back when you
Make me**

**SONG FIVE

    VOICE OF PILOT
Attention in the 1st Class Cabin.  This is your Captain speaking.

We have unruly passengers in the back of the plane

The people in coach
Poor people in coach

We have unruly passengers in the back of the plane

The Butcher
The Baker
The Candlestick Maker

BILLY BOB (disguised in sunglasses & bloody apron)
The Butcher!

 GOODNESS GRACIOUS (disguised in sunglasses & Aunt Jemima Headscarf)
The Baker!

JODIE FOSTER (disguised in sunglasses & slut clothes with a disposable cigarette lighter)
The Candlestick Maker!

ALL
The people in coach
Poor people in coach

GOODNESS
My seat's too small**

**CAPTAIN
Your fat ass is too big!

JODIE
My seat's too small

CAPTAIN
Your wallet is too small!

BILLYBOB
My seat's too small!

CAPTAIN
Maybe next flight you should stand!

BILLYBOB
I'm not a Republican
I'm a Butcher and I've got a knife...why don't we occupy  the 1st class cabin?

GOODNESS
I'm not a Republican
I'm a Baker and I know how to serve food...why don't we seize the Stewardess Food Carts?

JODIE
I'm not a Republican
I'm a Candlestick Maker and I know how to do basic stage lighting...fuck the in-flight movies! Why don't we put on a show and dance in the aisles?

ALL
The people in coach
Poor people in coach

Unruly passengers
In the back of the plane!

END OF ACT ONE
INTERMISSION**

**ACT TWO**

 **SONG SIX

CAPTAIN
Attention all passengers:
I thought you'd be interested to know
We just reached the half point of our flight to
The United States of America
Please let your Stewardess
Know if you'd like to read a newspaper

ALL 3
We were half way home
When everything changed
We were half way home
That's when we googled Garfield**

 **GOODNESS GRACIOUS
Believe it or not
My homeboy Republicans
Who freed the African slaves pulled their Army out of the south & let the Dixie Democrats in
What the hell?

Believe it or not
Republican troops in blue uniforms were used to massacre red men**

**WHAT THE HELL?

BILLYBOB
Believe it or not
Republicans built the federal government built coast to coast railroads
Became just a bloated big party in power mostly proud of their powerful
Republican railroads

ALL 3
We were half way home
When everything changed
We were half way home
That's when we googled
Garfield**

**JODIE
Believe it or not
A Republican President
James A. Garfield
Only 4 months in office
On his way to a train
Got shot in the back
At the DC Station
First class tickets in his pocket to his
Presidential Pullman
For his summer vacation
That he never got to take**

**ALL THREE
We were half way home
When everything changed
We were half way home
And we musta lost our way..

We were half way home
That's when we googled Garfield

Believe it or not
You should search it soon
On google:

James Garfield accomplished nothing as President...zero...and his most famous quote is:
"A pound of pluck
Is worth a ton of luck"

pound of pluck
A ton of luck

His other famous quote:
"The truth will set you free
But 1st it will make you
Miserable"
The truth will make you miserable but
Pound of pluck
Ton of luck
It also makes you free**

**Believe it or not
You should search it soon on google
President Garfield wasn't
Lucky
No ton of luck
We'll never know
If he had pluck

We were half way home
But I'm sure
We lost our way
That's when everything changed
We were half way home
That's when we googled Garfield

Believe it or not
You should search it soon on google
With the bullet in his back
Garfield lived eleven weeks with the bullet in his body
And his doctors couldn't find it

Believe it or not
Top doctors probed the wound with their fingers
Dirty fingers and dark age
Medical tools that were covered in germs

Believe it or not
You should search it soon on
Google
The Inventor of the Telephone
Alexander Graham Bell
Invented the first Metal  Detector to find the bullet
In the presidential back
But Garfield wasn't lucky
The experiment had bad conditions the presidential bed was metal
The bullet was never found
The dead president was laid in the ground

We never saw the pluck
And he had no luck
His truth was fairly miserable
You should search it soon on google
Garfield had no luck**

**His blood was poisoned and infected
Hot fevers came and went
The Air Conditioner was invented for his comfort
You should search it soon on google
His emaciated presidential body was covered in puss filled sores

GOODNESS
Say what? What the hell?   You've got to be punking me! Puss filled sores on a President?  Who killed this Republican? Why was he killed?

JODIE
One more time to
Believe it or not
Crazy Charlie Guiteau
Was convinced his pamphlet on Garfield got Garfield elected so Charlie expected a patronage job
Crazy Charlie Guiteau
Was convinced he should
Be U.S. Ambassador to France

GOODNESS  AND BILLYBOB
Believe it or not
Garfield wasn't killed for any cause because the Republican cause was Missing In Action

Crazy Charlie Guireau had
A Parisian pre-performance-art soul and his groundbreaking insanity trial was a sensation

ALL THREE
But don't expect us to sing his Ballad by Sondheim
Sometime soon
You should search it
That Sondheim Song
The Ballad of Crazy Charlie**

**Dancing up the gallow steps his last request to
Read an epic poem accompanied by orchestra...but we're not gonna sing it here
We were half way home
We were someplace else
We musta lost our place**

**SONG SEVEN

JODIE FOSTER
When I was in college I used to listen to the Sex Pistols and took a turn of the century tutorial & read the words of Emma Goldman...in 1901 the USA was prosperous and popular President William McKinley spoke at the Worlds Fair for Presidents Day. Many Americans: Democrats, Republicans even unemployed Polish-American Leon Czolosz a follower of Anarchist Emma went to Buffalo to meet McKinley on Presidents Day

BILLYBOB
It's a new century Republicans
And I'm here to see the future
At the Buffalo Worlds Fair
I ain't here to see Niagara Falls!
I'm here to meet the President
I want to shake his hand

I want to shake his hand
I want to shoot him in the guts
I want to shake things up
I want to shake and shoot and shout
It's a new century Republicans**

**ALL THREE**

**Two parties-no difference
Two parties-no difference
Anarchy USA
GOP DOA**

**Democrats KKK**

**What the fuck did you say?

GOODNESS GRACIOUS
I want to grab both hands
I want to punch your face
I want to blow him up
I want to shake and shoot and shout
I'm at the Worlds Fair in
Buffalo I can't wait to shoot the President**

**I no dey here to see Niagara Falls!**

**ALL THREE
It's a new century Republicans!
Two parties-No difference
Two parties-No difference
Anarchy USA
GOP DOA**

**Democrats KKK**

**What the fuck did you say?**

**JODIE FOSTER
Anarchy! There ain't no FBI
Anarchy! It's easy if you try
Anarchy! There's only Emma Goldman
Anarchy! There ain't no USA
There's just the Worlds Fair in Buffalo and
No leaders are allowed!
I ain't here to see Niagara Falls!
Anarchy! BLOW SHIT UP!
Anarchy! BLOW SHIT UP!**

**(Without music)**

**Anarchy! Anarchy! Blow shit up?

CAPTAIN VOICE
Attention passengers
This is the Captain speaking
No more mention of "Blowing shit up"...not even from celebrity VIPs please
We are on a plane
Let's all be careful of our plane and for the record I also like the Sex Pistols...and if you would like to see Niagara Falls please stop by any ticket counter at the airport.**

**SONG EIGHT

BILLYBOB
This is the Ballad of President Theodore Roosevelt...the only other Republican beside Lincoln who is carved in stone on Mt Rushmore

JODIE
Native New Yorker
NYC Police Commissioner
Governor of NY State
Assist Sec of Navy
War Hero
Vice President
Great Resume/No Power
Until...**

**Great Resume/No Power**

**Until...

GOODNESS
BANG! The Anarchist assassination of Garfield made Teddy Roosevelt only age 42 the youngest
Most energetic most like-able occupant of the White House in history

CHORUS
It was fun again
To be Republican
When Teddy spoke softly and
Carried a big old stick

BILLYBOB
He came running up a mountain won the Battle of San Juan Hill

GOODNESS
The Rough Ride( oh...)
The Happy Warrior (oh...)
The cowboy (oh...)
The Bull-moose (oh...)

BILLYBOB
He got a big old shovel
He dug a big canal

JODIE
The Dynamo of Power
The Driving Force
The Meddler
Telescope Teddy**

**GOODNESS
This Teddy Bear of a lovable leader
Was new blood for the
Grand Old Party
Of Lincoln
Trust Buster
Pro Labor**

**BILLYBOB**

**He gave us Conservation (oh...)**

**Created our National Parks (oh...)
The Best of Republicans
The Best two terms
Any President ever had**

**JODIE
I say: "Bully!"
TR was so cool they had to cast my dear late friend Robin Williams as Teddy
I have to say;
Bully!

BILLYBOB
I say: Bully!
Can you say: Bully?
Are you having fun?
I can't hear you tell me louder Are You Having Fun?
Then let me hear you say:
Bully!
A little bit softer now...shhh...
Can I hear you whisper:
...bully...shh...

CHORUS
It was fun again
To be Republican
When Teddy spoke softly and
Carried a big old stick

JODIE
After two terms as President, Teddy nominates his friend Howard Taft as his loyal successor and with Teddy's support of course Taft becomes the next Republican president.

GOODNESS
Roosevelt
 only 50 years old
Trusted Taft to carry on
Roosevelt went all the way to Africa a year in Africa on Safari
A Smithsonian Safari
African Safari**

 **He spent a year in Africa
Then he traveled to Brazil**

**South American Safari
Teddy came home and
Made speeches bout the world**

**BILLYBOB
It was fun again
Everybody sing along
You know the words!
It was fun again
To be Republican
When Teddy spoke softly and
Carried a big old stick!
Bully!
Fun and Bully!

JODIE
When Teddy took a break from seeing the world
He came home to discover
His friend & successor
President Taft had betrayed him
President Taft had betrayed the
Reformist Roosevelt Republicans
The worst Republican betrayal since giving up
Reconstruction

GOODNESS
Worst betrayal of all**

**Betrayal Betrayal
President Taft went so far
As to fire the man Teddy
Had chosen to take care
Of the Forrest
President Taft was betraying
The National Forrests

BILLYBOB
President Roosevelt started to yell! Are you ready to yell? Let me hear you yell!  Let me hear you yell:
What's up Republicans?
Let me hear you yell:
Swing that big stick, Teddy!
Let me here you yell:
Ride em rough, cowboy!

JODIE
Teddy hits Taft hard opposing his reelection and trying for the next Republican nomination himself! Teddy hits Taft hard again by quitting the Republican Party and then leading a mass walkout of Republican convention delegates**

**Everybody yell: Walkout!**

**who start a brand new
Progressive Party
Everybody yell:
Progressive!
Everybody yell:
Bull-moose!

BILLYBOB
It was weird again
To be Republican after
Teddy quit the party
And took the Progressive
Party on tour on the road

Theodore Roosevelt went
To the railroad station
And he bought himself
A ticket for Milwaukee
He rode  trains cross
The USA
He was talking
Bout the Forrest
He was talking
Bout the World
He was giving
Lots of speeches
He had a ticket
To Milwaukee**

**GOODNESS GRACIOUS
John Schrank who often drank
Did his drinking in Milwaukee
As far as we know he drank the beer
That made Milwaukee Famous...for beer...**

**When John was drunk
He dreamed
once he had
A drunk dream
in which
He saw the bloody ghost of President McKinley
Right here in Milwaukee

The ghost of McKinley
Points his embalmed boney finger at our hero
The Bull-moose
And the Ghost cries out:
No Third Term For Teddy!
Then poof the ghost
Disappears. End of the drunk dream. Start of a bad hangover for

ALL THREE
John Schank who often drank
But that day sobered up
And bought a gun
Then got on line
To shake the hand
Of the man we first saw
Charging up a mountain
The Hero of The Battle
Of San Juan Hill

Are you all ready to scream?
Let us hear you scream:
Bully!
Bully!
Let us hear you scream:
Bang!
Bang!
Let us hear you scream:
What the hell just happened?
What the hell just happened?
Let us hear you scream:
Is President Roosevelt still alive?
Is President Roosevelt still alive?**

**BILLYBOB
Everybody say: Shh!
Can I hear you say: hush!

This is the Ballad
Of a man who was
Too rough to die
Teddy too tough to die

There is no cause to cry
Everybody hold your breath!

GOODNESS
Teddy Roosevelt stood up

A bullet lodged inside a rib
A dime sized hole upon his chest
A fist sized stain of blood on shirt

JODIE
Everybody hold your breath

GOODNESS
Teddy Roosevelt stood up
And he gave his speech
He was obviously hurt
But he gave his speech

He had to whisper
but he gave his speech

ALL THREE
Everybody went hush
Everybody held their breath
He never spoke softer
But he gave his speech

His speech against
Republicans!**

**SONG NINE

CAPTAINS VOICEOVER
Attention passengers this is your Captain speaking to remind you we have now crossed four time zones since our flight began. Please adjust yourselves accordingly.

GOODNESS
By the time we was born
Politics changed
Roosevelts went Democrat
LBJ not Lincoln
Freed the slaves
Dem slaves go vote
For Democrats**

 **Dixiecrats go GOP
We must be suffering
Jet lag USA AAA**

**Jet lag USA AAA

JODIE
By the time I was born
Politics changed
Things never stayed
The same
What time zone were
we in?
We had an
Unelected President
Gerald Ford
Appointed by Nixon

BILLYBOB
Nixon was a crook
A crook but not
A joke
Nixon took Dixie
For Republicans
The new label
For confederates**

**ALL 3
By the time
We were born
Politics changed
Things never stayed
The same
What time zone
Are we in?
We must be suffering
Jet lag USA AAA**

**Jetg USA AAA**

**JODIE
We had an unelected
President Gerald Ford
Gerald Ford was a joke
A Chevy Chase Joke
And then shots were fired!

GOODNESS
Shots were fired!
Squeaky Fromme
Come on remember
California
Squeaky Fromme
From Manson's Family
Took a shot at
Gerald Ford

BILLYBOB
And a few days later
more Shots fired
Another wacked out
California Girl**

**Sara Jane Moore
What time zones
Were they on?**

**ALL THREE**

**Mind zones, crime zones, no fly Zones?
They must have been Suffering jet lag USAAAA

What difference
Would it make
If you were
A better shot
And you got him
Right between the eyes
And you killed
A Republican?**

**CAPTAIN**

**Politics change
Things never stay
The same
What time zone
Are you in
If you're thinking
Of violence
You must be suffering
Jet lag USA USA**

**ALL THREE**

**What difference would it make**

**If you were a better shot**

**And you shot him right between the eyes**

**And you killed a Republican?**

**CAPTAIN VOICEOVER
(Nixon impression)
My fellow Americans
Let me make one thing
Perfectly clear
This is your Captain
Speaking
I think you should know
If your Captain
Is a Crook?
The airline I work for
Frequently overcharges
But your Captain
Is no crook...oh no**

**(Aside)
I do take stock options...**

**JODIE (Nixon imitation)**

 **My fellow Americans
Let me make one thing
Perfectly clear
I do enjoy the perks of a
Movie star lifestyle
I need tax shelters and perms and perks fizzy water and a harem of girls, oh yeah!**

**(Aside)
I need everyone on this plane to sign a non-disclosure agreement

BILLYBOB
My fellow Americans
Let me make one thing
Perfectly clear
My passion is my wife
And my rockabilly lifestyle
But my day job
Is high end at
Royal Dutch Shell Oil Company**

**(aside)
I sign contracts with
Koch Industries and
I pollute the Nigerian Delta

GOODNESS
My fellow Americans
Let me make one thing
Perfectly Clear
You pay me every time
You download my
Songs on iTunes
You have no idea
How much money
I make on the internet
Selling beats to, oh yeah,**

**Beiber and Dre**

**Beiber and Dre, bitches!**

**What?**

**ALL THREE**

**My fellow Americans**

**My fellow Americans**

**My fellow Americans

Politics change
Things never stay
The same
What time zone
Are you in?
If you're thinking
Of violence
You must be suffering
Jet lag USA USA**

**SONG TEN

CAPTAIN VOICEOVER
Attention
I am speaking
Stand at attention
This is your Captain
After All
No one else
Allowed to Speak

CHORUS
Oi! Captain! My Captain!
What direction
Up ahead?
There was once a
Grand Old Party
Now its fallen, cold and dead

CAPTAIN
Attention
I am speaking
Stand at attention
This is your Captain
After all
to your left**

**That's Ellis Island
to your right
That's JFK
If you want to
Fly through customs
Attention must be paid**

**CHORUS
Oi! Captain! My Captain!
What direction
Up ahead
There once was a
Grand Old Party
Now its fallen, cold and dead
Oi! Oi! Oi!**

**CAPTAIN
Line to left
For US Citizens
Aliens and Tourists**

**line up right**

**Fill out your forms
Use a black pen
Not a #2 pencil
Find the line
For you and your kind
Fill out your forms
Take our survey
Do you need a
Asylum at this time?
Have a nice day
In America
We should touch down
In 15 minutes

CHORUS
Oy vey! Captain! My Captain!
What direction
Up ahead? Oy!
There once was a
Grand Old Party
Now its fallen, cold and dead**

**CAPTAIN
Attention
I am speaking
Stand at attention
This is your Captain
After all
We are losing
Cabin pressure
We are running
Low on gas
Everyone put on
Life preservers
Everyone put on
Oxygen masks
Prepare to jettison
Excess Baggage**

**Remember your seat cushion can be used as a flotation device**

**CHORUS
Oi Oi Oi Captain! My Captain!
What direction
Up ahead?
There once was a
Grand Old Party
Now its fallen, cold and dead**

**CAPTAIN
Attention
Do not panic
This is your Captain
After All
I know how to fly
This airplane
It takes jet engines
And a couple
Of wings
A left wing and
A right wing
Two wings and
It's easy to wing it
Two wings and
It's easy to land
But Attention
We've been diverted
There's an
Assassination attempt
At JFK
We're still landing
In America
Not in New York
But in DC
Prepare to land
In the promised land
The US Capital
Ronald Reagan
 Airport

JODIE
This isn't much fun
For me suddenly...**

**Hinkley was released from the DC Mental Ward ...the Secret Service follows him around but I'm supposed to give them 24 hours notice when I visit DC**

**GOODNESS
Fun is the least
Of my worries
I've got things to do
In Brooklyn
I've got lilacs to smell
By my
Brooklyn Back door**

**Where they grow so well**

**JODIE & BILLYBOB**

**Oi Captain! Oy vey Captain!**

**She’s got lilacs to smell**

**By her Brooklyn Back Door**

**She's got lilacs to smell**

**By her Brooklyn Back Door**

**GOODNESS GRACIOUS**

**I didn't buy no
First Class ticket to no
Washington DC
Goodness Gracious
Who the hell
Is flying this plane?**

**Who the hell**

**Is flying this plane?

CHORUS
Oh Captain! My Captain!
What direction
Up ahead?
There once was a
Grand Old Party
Now its frozen, cold and dead**

**Oi Oi Oi**

**SONG ELEVEN**

**BILLYBOB**

**I'm not in the mood to wait**

**I'm not used to being treated like this**

**You've got to let me off of this plane**

**If not bring me more booze and some pills AND Cocaine**

**This is Reagan not JFK**

**This is DC not NYC**

**It ain't the flight that I paid for**

**I'll quiet down when you bring me that drink**

**When I drink I love Republicans**

**Don't argue it's just the way that I think**

**CHORUS**

**Air Force One that's the way to fly**

**Air Force One the dream luxury plane**

**Maybe I should run for President**

**Is that really so insane**

 **JODIE**

**I'm a First Class Millionaire**

**I should buy a private jet**

**I'm always cutting checks to candidates**

**Five or six owe me a debt**

**Maybe I should run for President myself**

**All I need is Oprah and the people in coach**

**GOODNESS**

**Meanwhile sitting on the runway for an hour**

**Still waiting to deplane**

**Only a curtain separates me from 3rd Class**

**Celebrity life is so insane**

**Maybe I should sit by my lilacs**

**And summon the Orishas to forge me**

**A Hawaiian birth certificate**

**BILLYBOB**

**I got the people in coach**

**I should run for President**

**I got the big oil money**

**But would that make me a Bush?**

**CHORUS**

**Air Force One that's the way to fly**

**Air Force One the dream luxury plane**

**Maybe I should run for President**

**Is that really so insane?**

**If we could buy "Republicans"
If we could redesign the brand
It would be an upscale party
It would add class to the land
No more Republicans to kill
Only Republicans to love**

**Yes we can
Learn to love Republicans
Don't kill Republicans
You don't have to marry one
Just try not to shoot em
Don't kill the Republicans
Maybe I'm the next Republican
Could you be the next Republican
Would you ever vote Republican
What does it mean to be Republican
You can always change Republican
Can we learn to love Republicans**

**If we could buy Republicans**

**If we could redesign the brand**

**It would be an upscale party**

**It would add class to the land**

**No more republicans to kill**

**Only republicans to love

CAPTAIN VOICEOVER

Attention passengers
This is the Captain speaking
Welcome to the USA
First class passengers
May now exit the plane**

**BILLYBOB**

**It was fun**

**To shoot the shit**

**With you**

**(BILLYBOB exits)**

**GOODNESS**

**And I've got those**

**Lilacs to smell**

**In my Brooklyn backyard**

**(GOODNESS exits)**

**JODIE

Gotta make a
Fast connection
Gotta fly
Gotta go
Here's my contact
Call my people**

**I wonder who was flying this plane?**

 **(JODI exits)

CAPTAIN VOICEOVER

Thank You for flying with us.  Please wait for the First Class passengers to clear before the people in coach exit the plane.

(THE END)**