

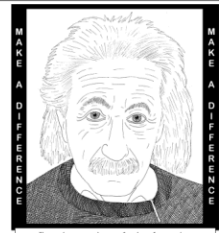
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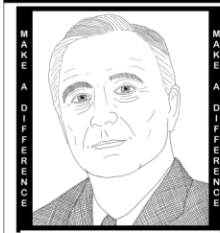
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"O Lord, help me not to despise or oppress what I do not understand."
— William Penn

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"If civilization is to survive, we must cultivate the science of human relationships; the ability of all peoples, of all kinds, to live together, in the same world of peace."
— Franklin D. Roosevelt

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"If we are ever and we progress for promoting tolerance and love, and a better understanding of each other, and tolerance and so forth, that's what the world will become, a much better place."
— Russell Simmons

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"You have to sit down, have a meal together, pray together and then actually talk together. This we realize that, yes, although we have some differences, they are not irreparable differences."
— Pauline Tangora

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"If you judge people you have no time to be kind."
— Mother Teresa

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"Every human being, of whatever origin, of whatever color, deserves respect. We must respect others as we respect ourselves."
— St. Frank, 3rd United Nations Secretary-General

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"We add our voice... to those who struggle for the recognition and protection for their rights and cultures, because in the end, that we respect our differences, we shall build a life with more justice."
— Francisco Toledo

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"I think we have to own the fears that we have of each other, and then, in some practical way, come slowly, figure out how to see people differently than the way we were brought up to."
— Alice Walker

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"The man has a right in America to tread any other man's territory for instance as the responsibility of equality. Our liberties are equal rights of every citizen."
— Wendell Phillips

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WHAT'S YOUR BETTERWORLD ISSUE? **TOLERANCE**



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The human family is very diverse, with many different beliefs and cultures and ways of life. Some conflicts in our world are caused when people are intolerant of the ways that others see the world. Tolerance is an important cornerstone to creating a better world.

Intolerance is often caused by ignorance and fear. When we don't know about other cultures, religions or nations we sometimes fear them. Education is the most important way to promote tolerance. Teaching people what our shared rights and freedoms are is the first step in tolerance education. Learning about other cultures is also important to help us see the similarities between all cultures, and to respect and celebrate our differences.

Building tolerance and trust in diverse communities takes time and commitment. Tolerance Day (November 16) is a chance to see what progress has been made throughout the year, and rededicate our commitment to promoting tolerance, respect, cooperation and dialogue between different cultures in our communities and between nations.

Taking the Tolerance Pledge, found at Tolerance.org, is a way that each of us can help to make every day Tolerance Day. "I pledge to have respect for people whose abilities, beliefs, culture, race, sexual identity or other characteristics are different from my own."

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1. Find out more about tolerance
2. Take the "Tolerance Pledge"
3. Organize an event to help promote tolerance
4. Contribute to organizations helping to promote tolerance

Organizations Promoting Tolerance

- Alliance For Tolerance & Freedom (alliancefortolerance.org)
- Teaching Tolerance (tolerance.org/teach)
- TOLERANCE.ORG
- The Tolerance Project (ccsf.edu/Resources/Tolerance)

For more on Tolerance - www.BetterWorld.net/tolerance.htm

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"Every outcry against the oppression of some people by other people, or against what is morally hideous is the affirmation of the principle that a human being as such is not to be violated. A human being is not to be handled as a tool but is to be respected and revered."

-- Felix Adler

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"We must not only control the weapons that can kill us, we must bridge the great disparities of wealth and opportunity among the peoples of the world, the vast majority of whom live in poverty without hope, opportunity or choices in life. These conditions are a breeding ground for division that can cause a desperate people to resort to nuclear weapons as a last resort. Our only hope lies in the power of our love, generosity, tolerance and understanding and our commitment to making the world a better place for all..."

-- Muhammad Ali

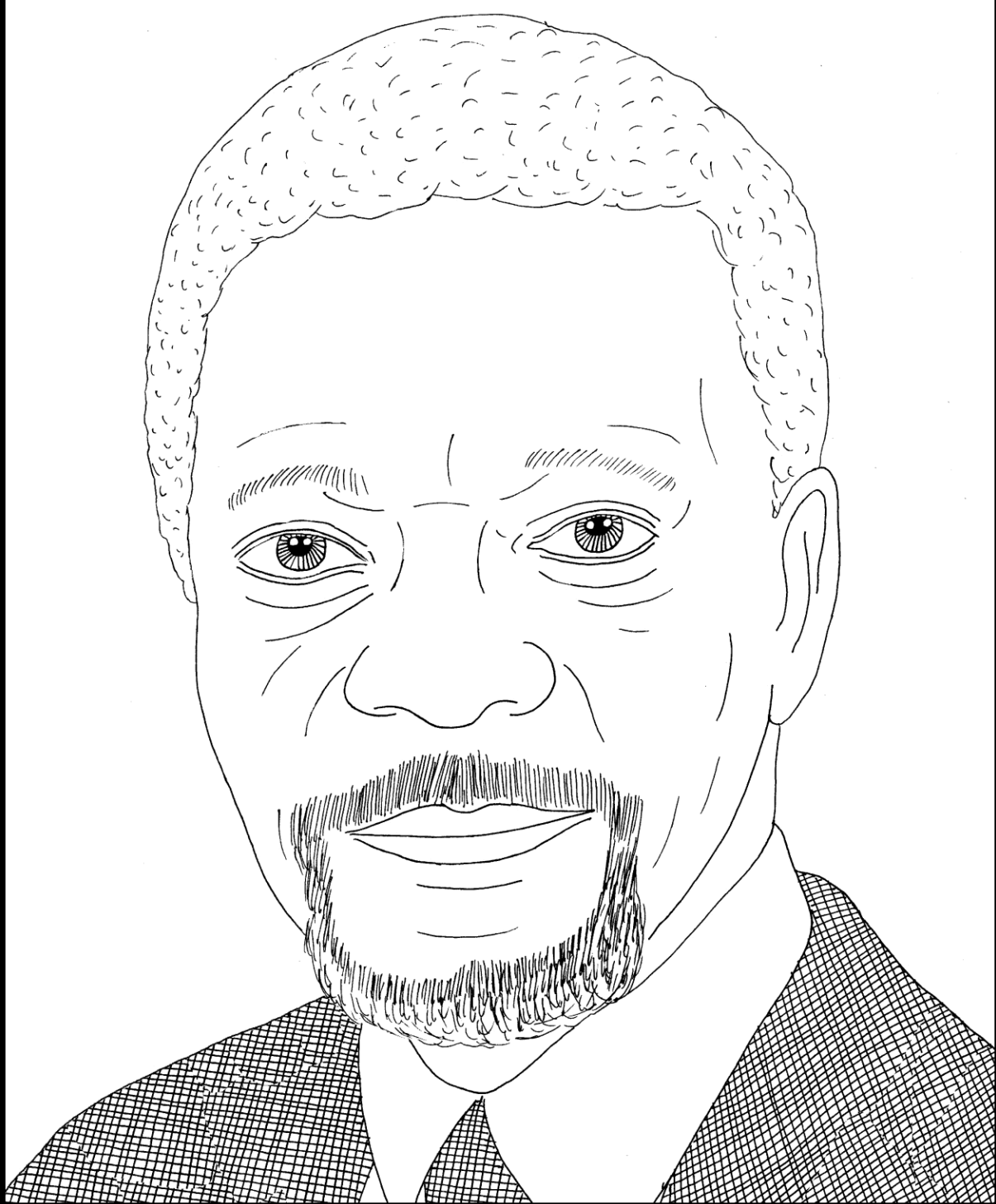
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“We need to promote greater tolerance and understanding among the peoples of the world. Nothing can be more dangerous to our efforts to build peace and development than a world divided along religious, ethnic or cultural lines. In each nation, and among all nations, we must work to promote unity based on our shared humanity.”

-- Kofi Annan

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"Respect your fellow human being, treat them fairly, disagree with them honestly, enjoy their friendship, explore your thoughts about one another candidly, work together for a common goal and help one another achieve it. No destructive lies. No ridiculous fears. No debilitating anger."

-- Bill Bradley

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**"Be modest, be respectful of others, try to understand."
-- Lakhdar Brahimi**

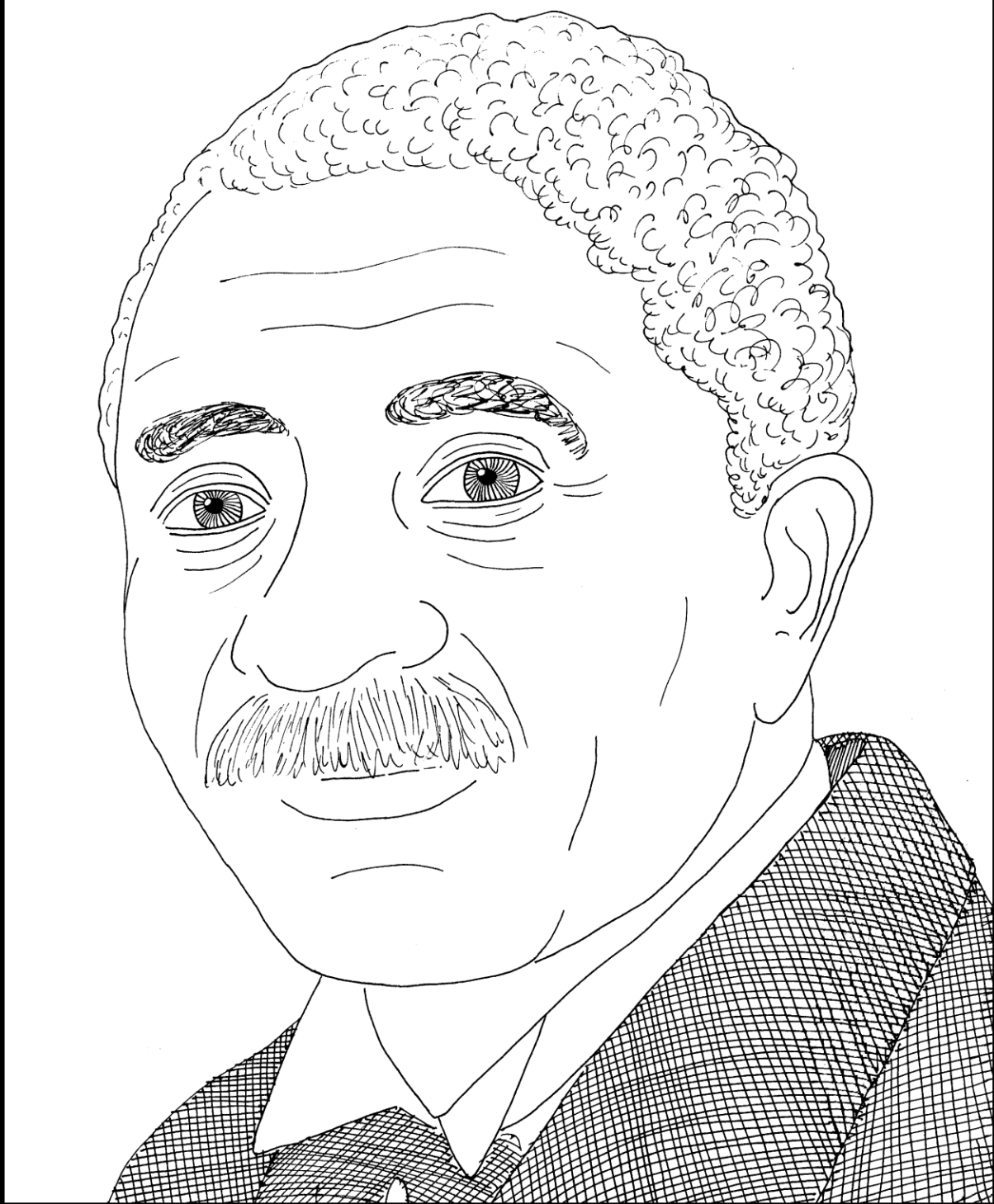
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**"How far you go in life depends on you being tender with the young,
compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving
and tolerant of the weak and the strong.**

Because someday in life, you will have been all of these."

-- George Washington Carver

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"What's so funny about peace, love and understanding?"
-- Elvis Costello

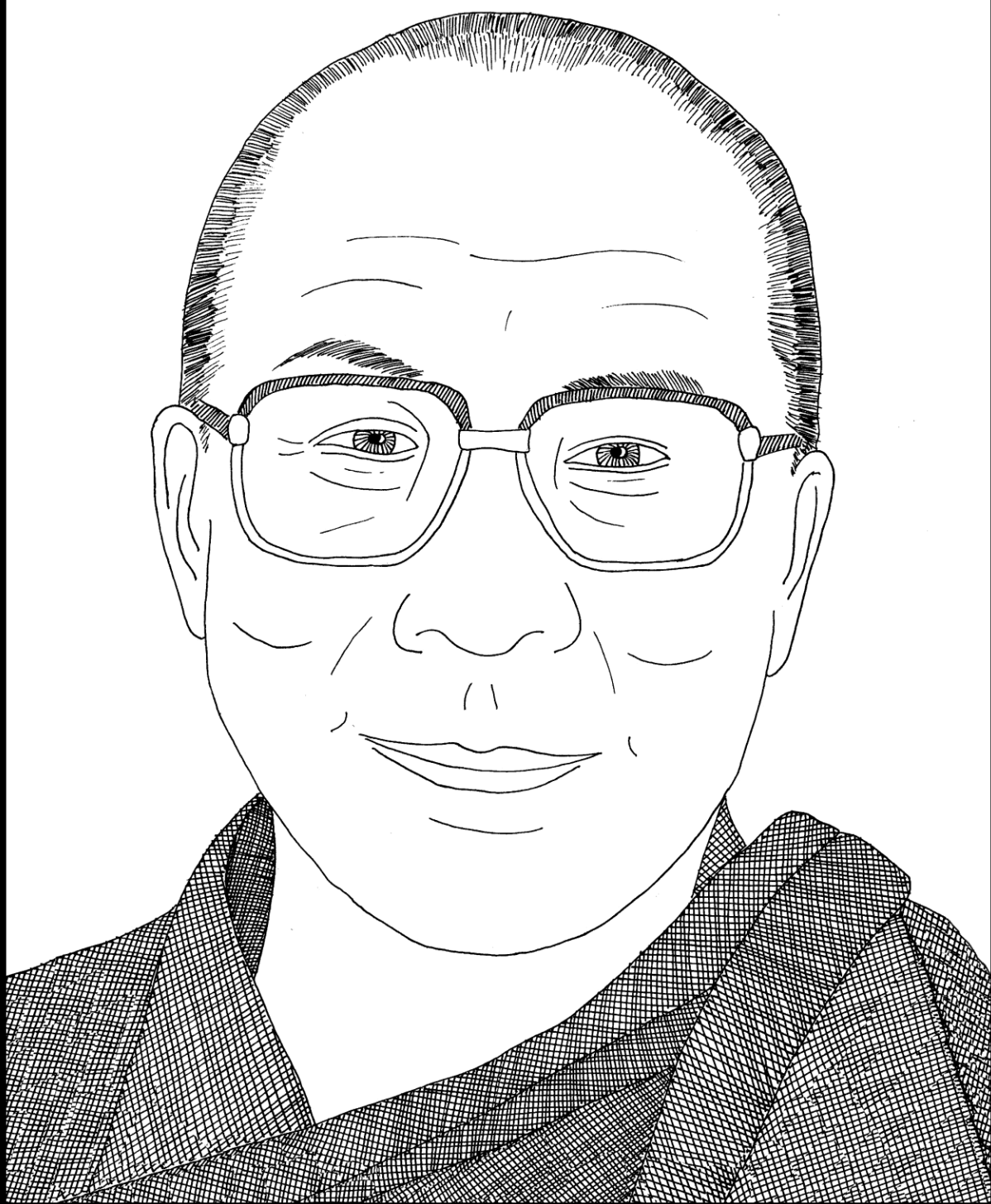
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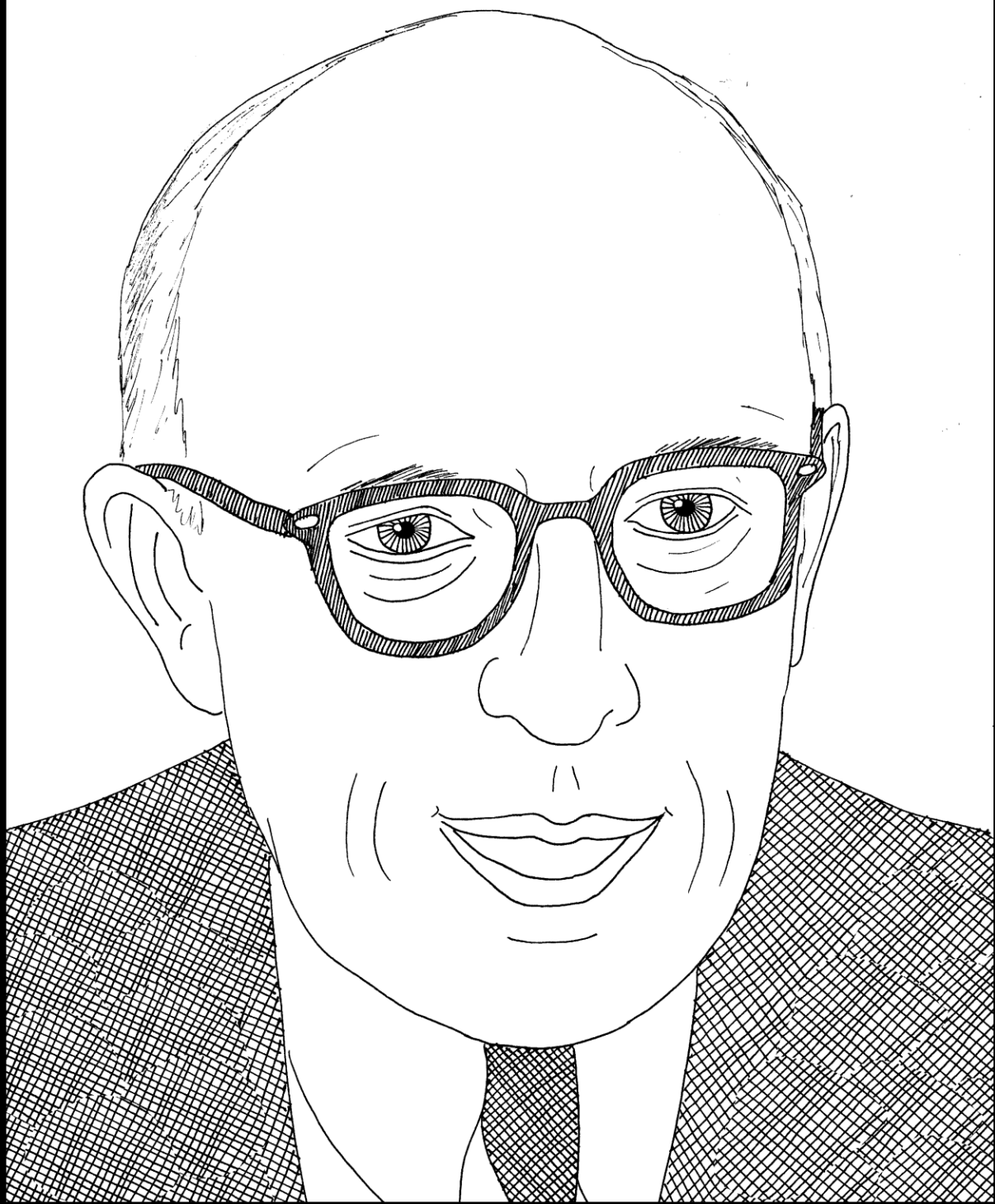
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**"Human diversity makes tolerance more than a virtue;
it makes it a requirement for survival."**

-- René Dubos

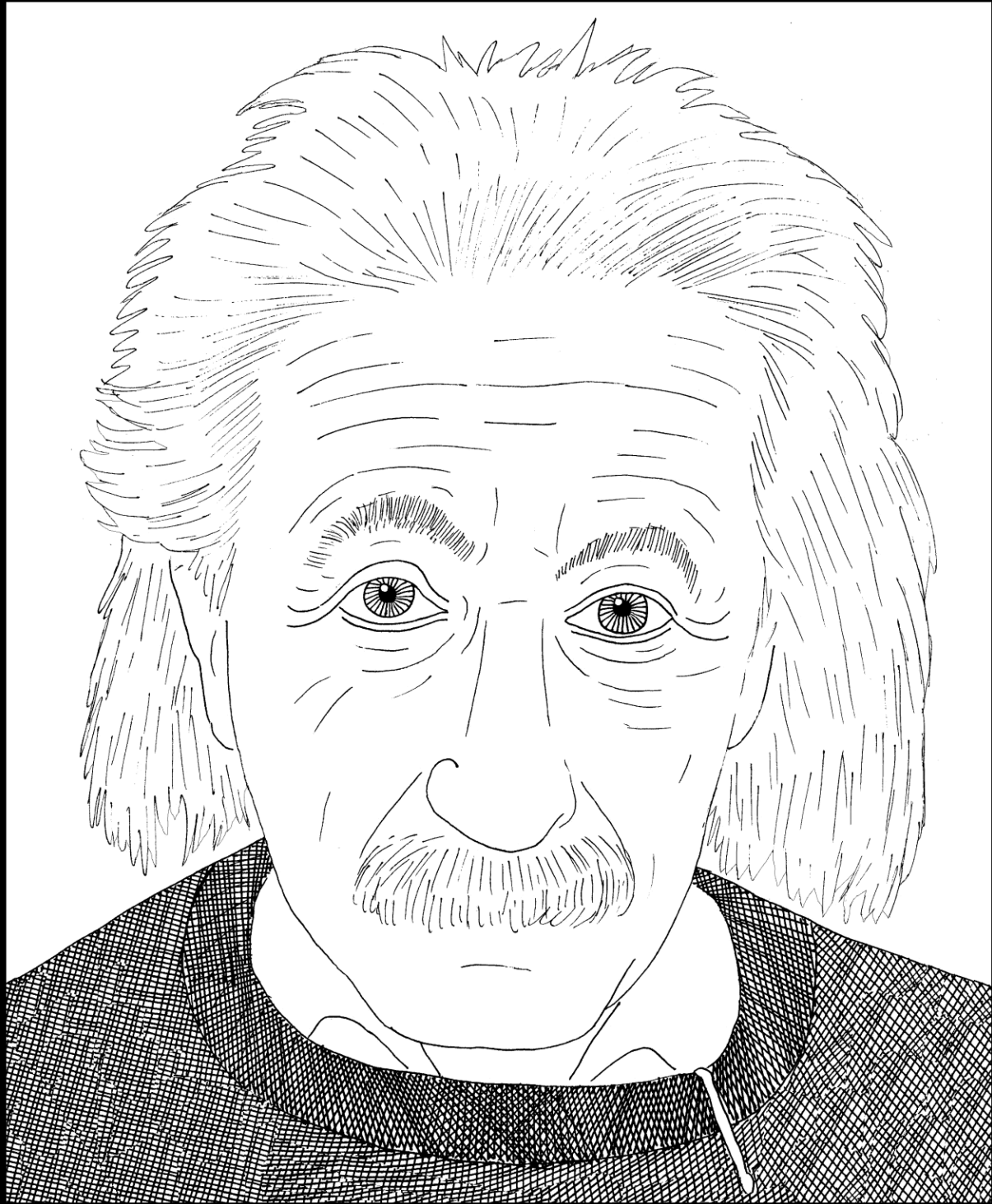
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"This world of ours... must avoid becoming a community of dreadful fear and hate, and be, instead, a proud confederation of mutual trust and respect."

-- Dwight D. Eisenhower

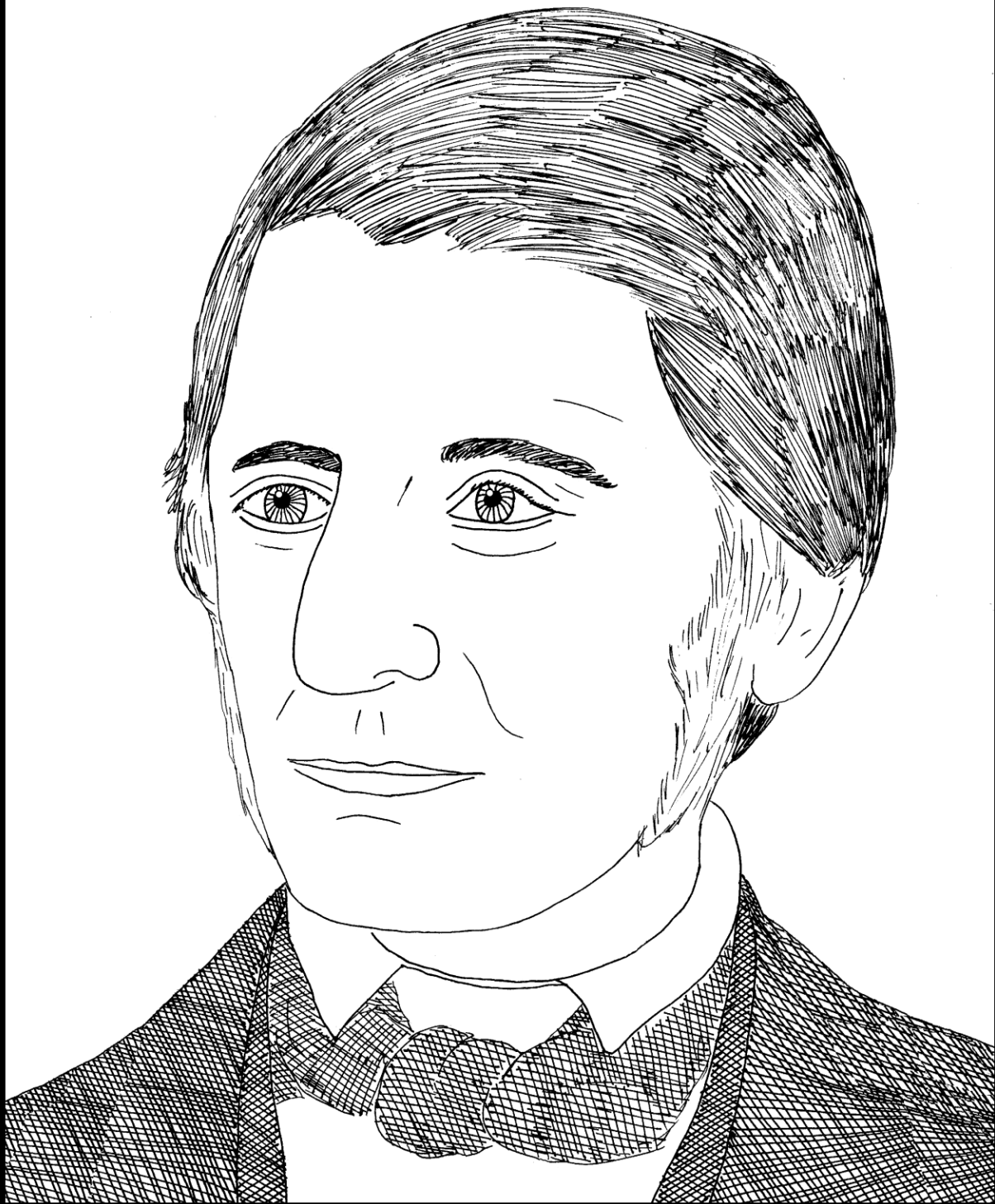
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-- Ralph Waldo Emerson**

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"Nuremberg taught me that creating a world of tolerance and compassion would be a long and arduous task. And I also learned that if we did not devote ourselves to developing effective world law, the same cruel mentality that made the Holocaust possible might one day destroy the entire human race."

-- Benjamin Ferencz

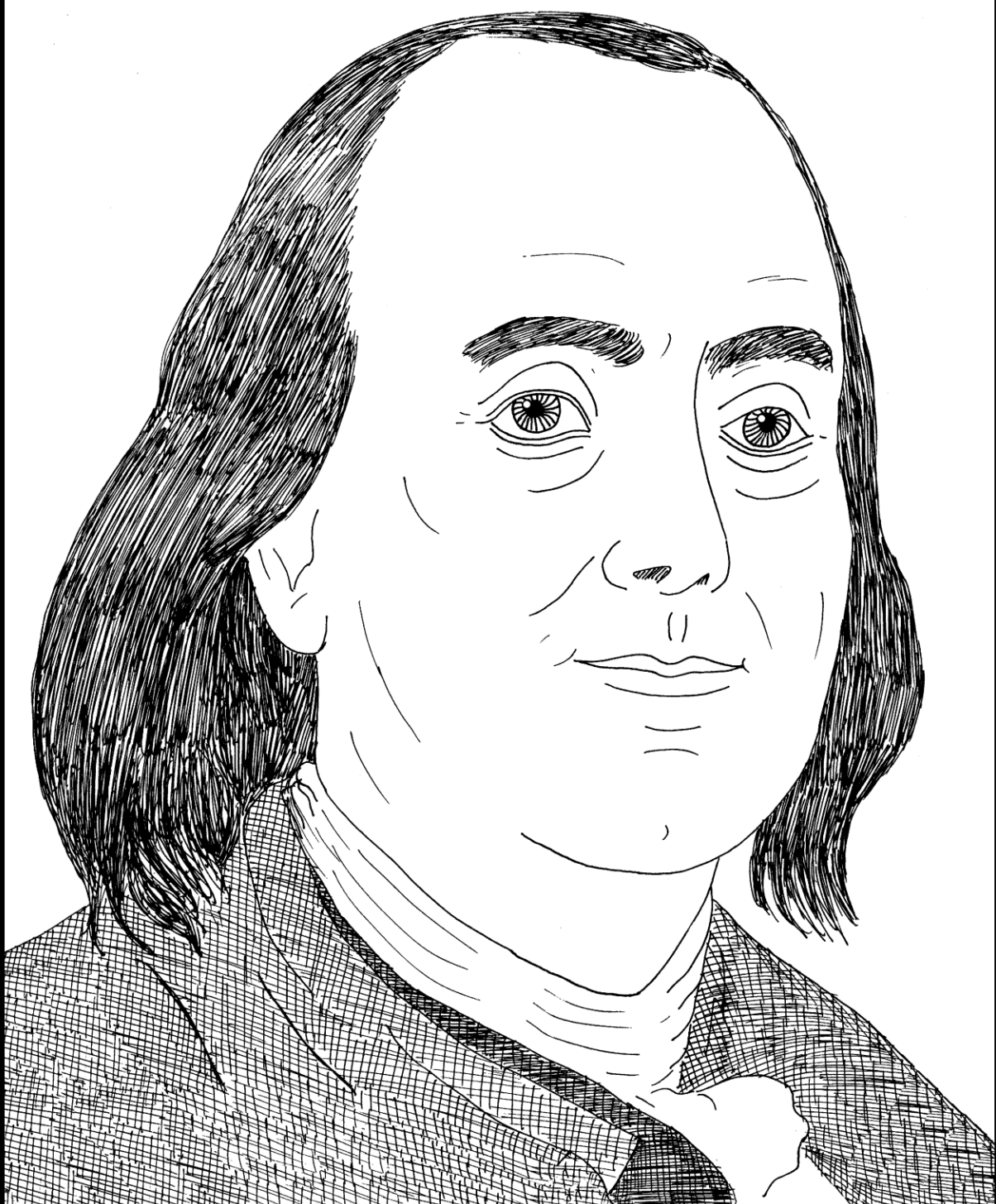
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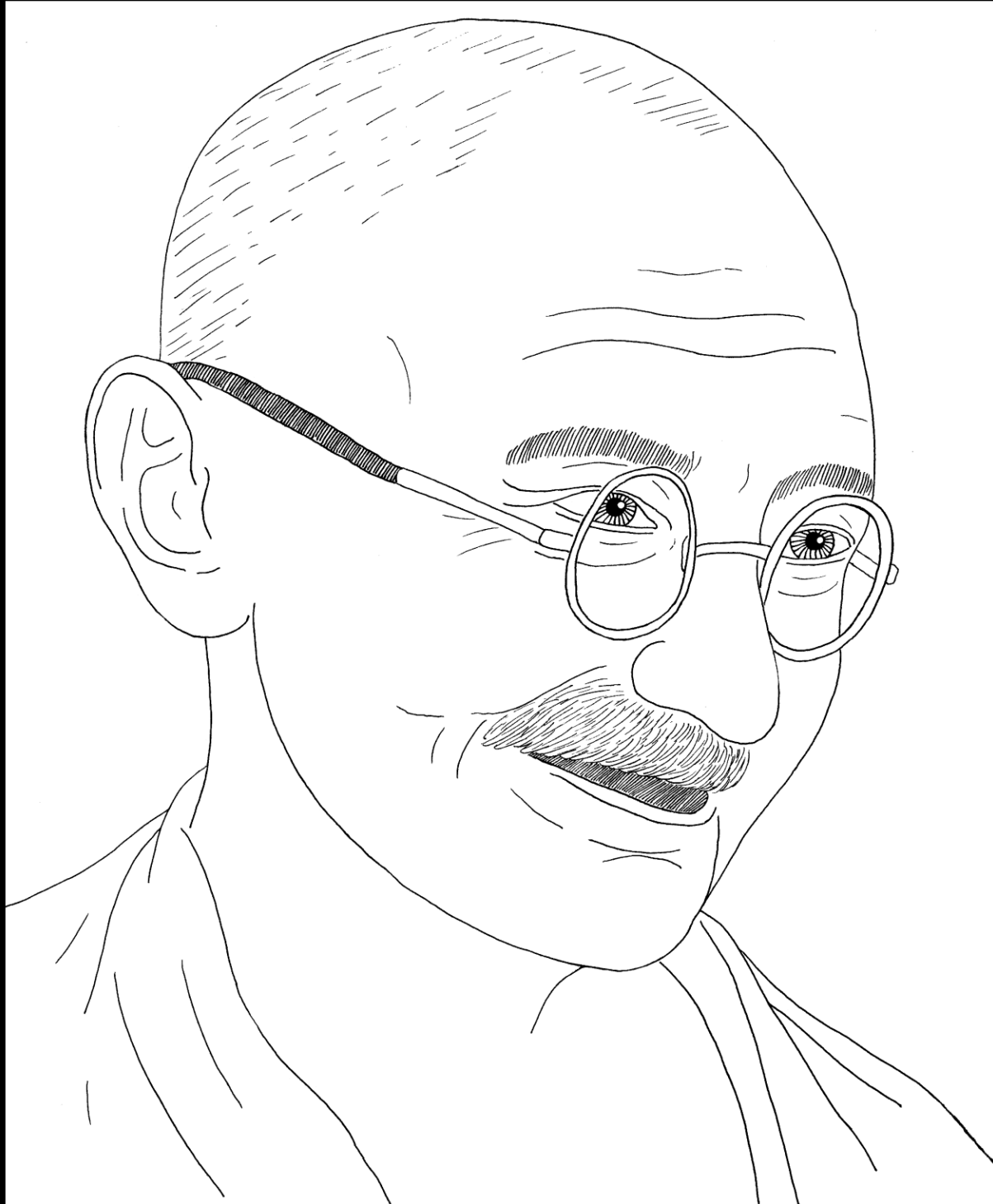
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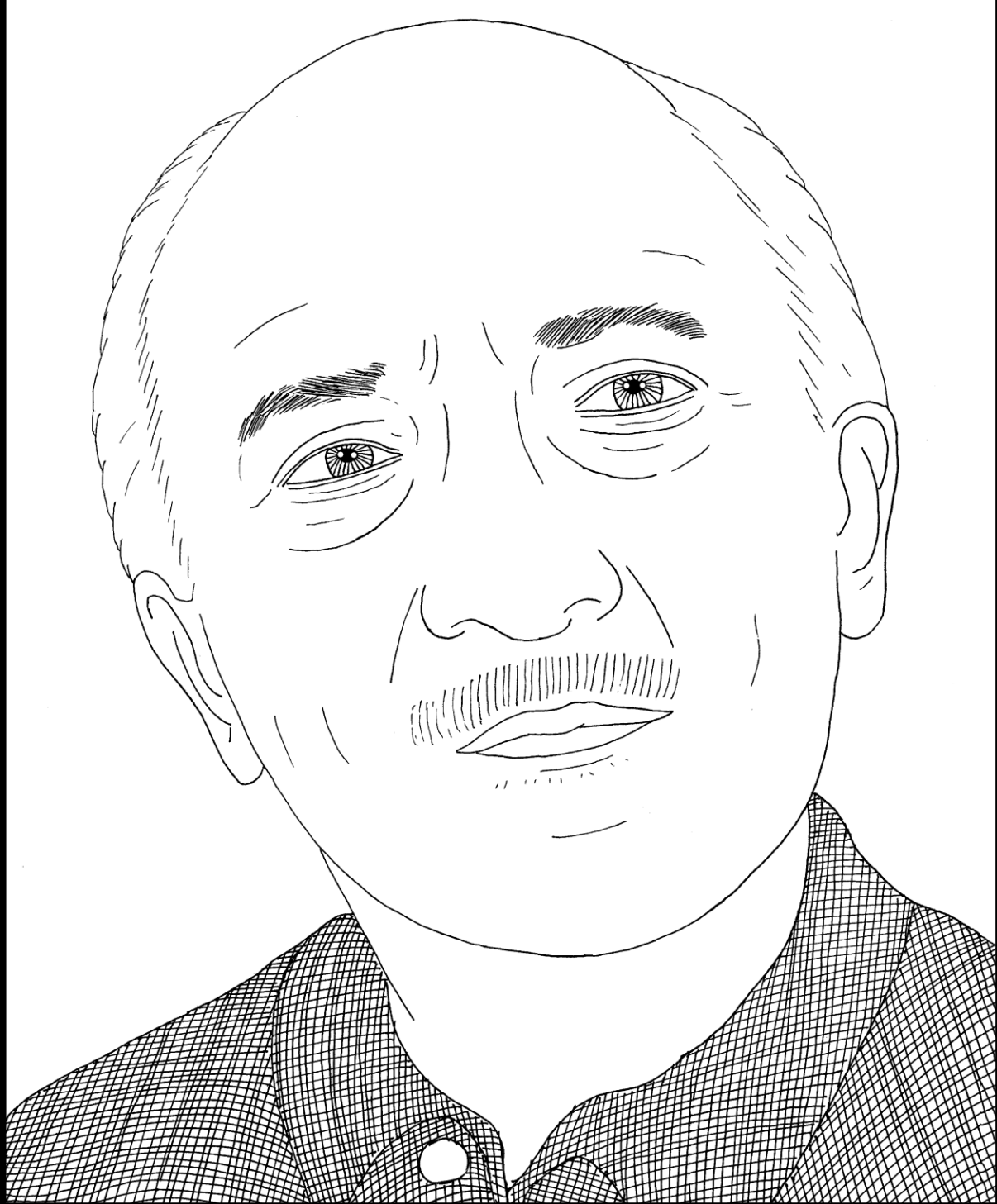
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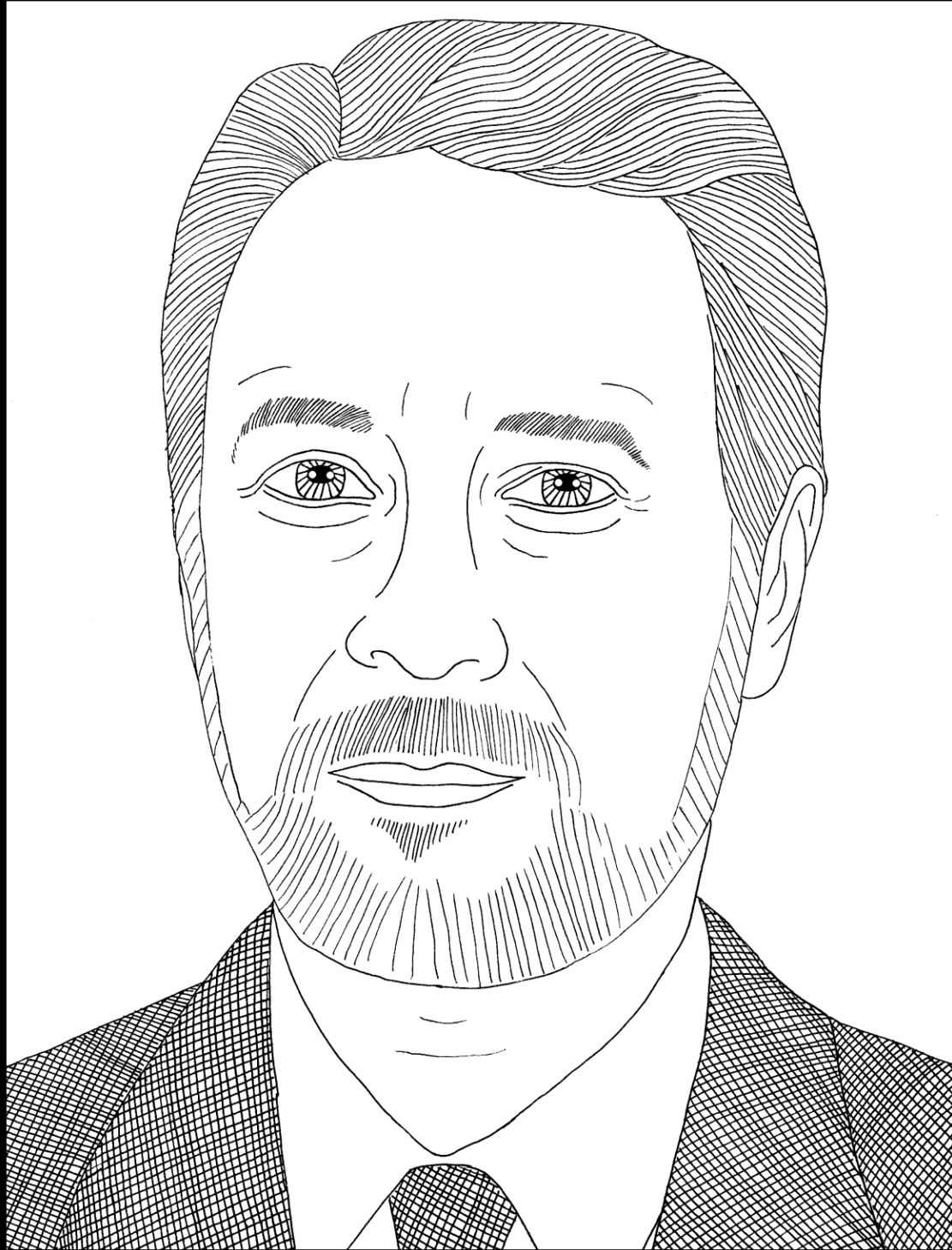
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**"Freedom goes hand-in-hand with mutual respect."
-- Xanana Gusmão**

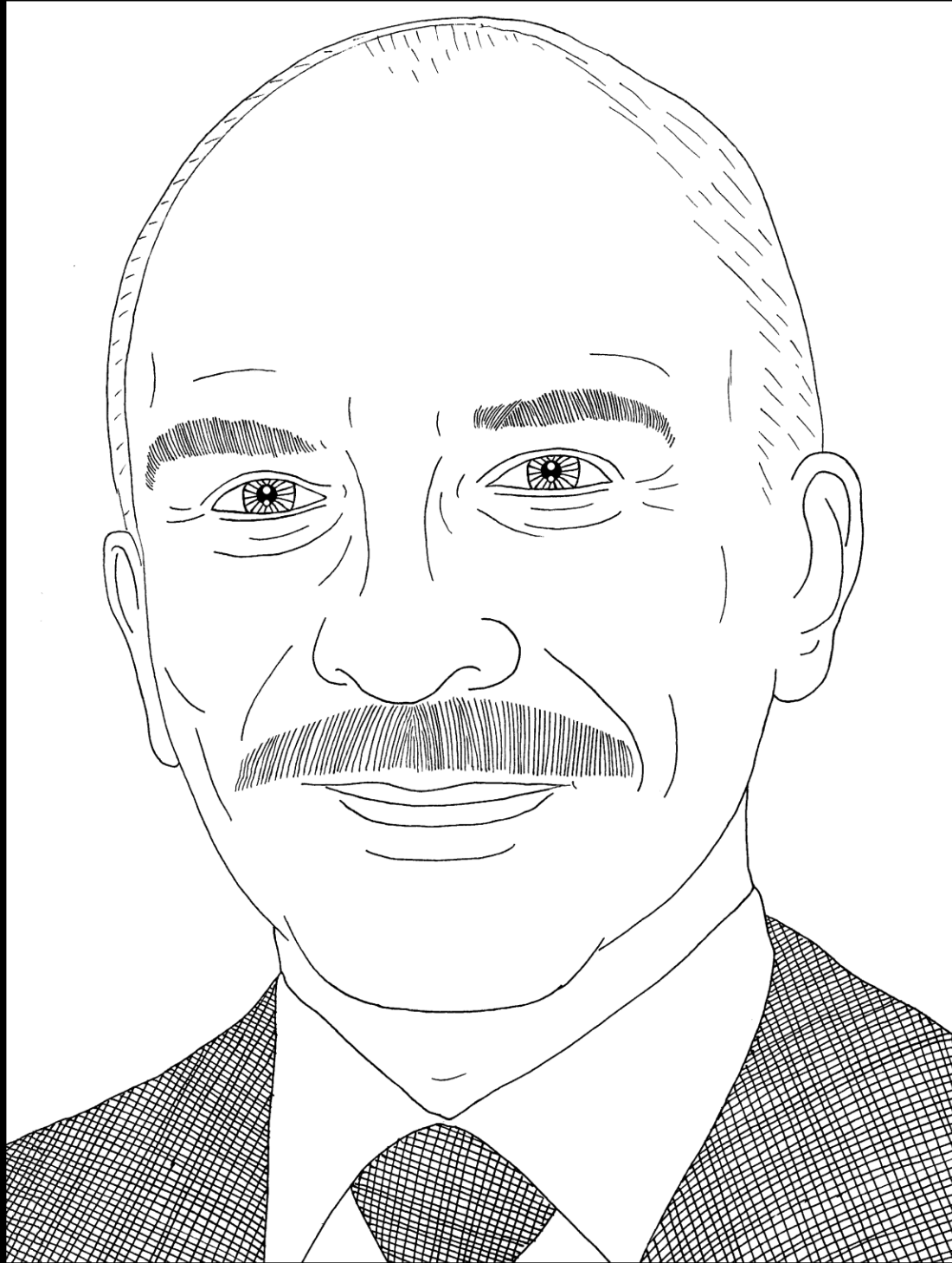
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**"There is a world of difference between terrorist acts and the Islamic Shari'a. Islam is not only a religion, but a way of life. And at its heart lie the sacred principles of tolerance and dialogue."
-- King Hussein of Jordan**

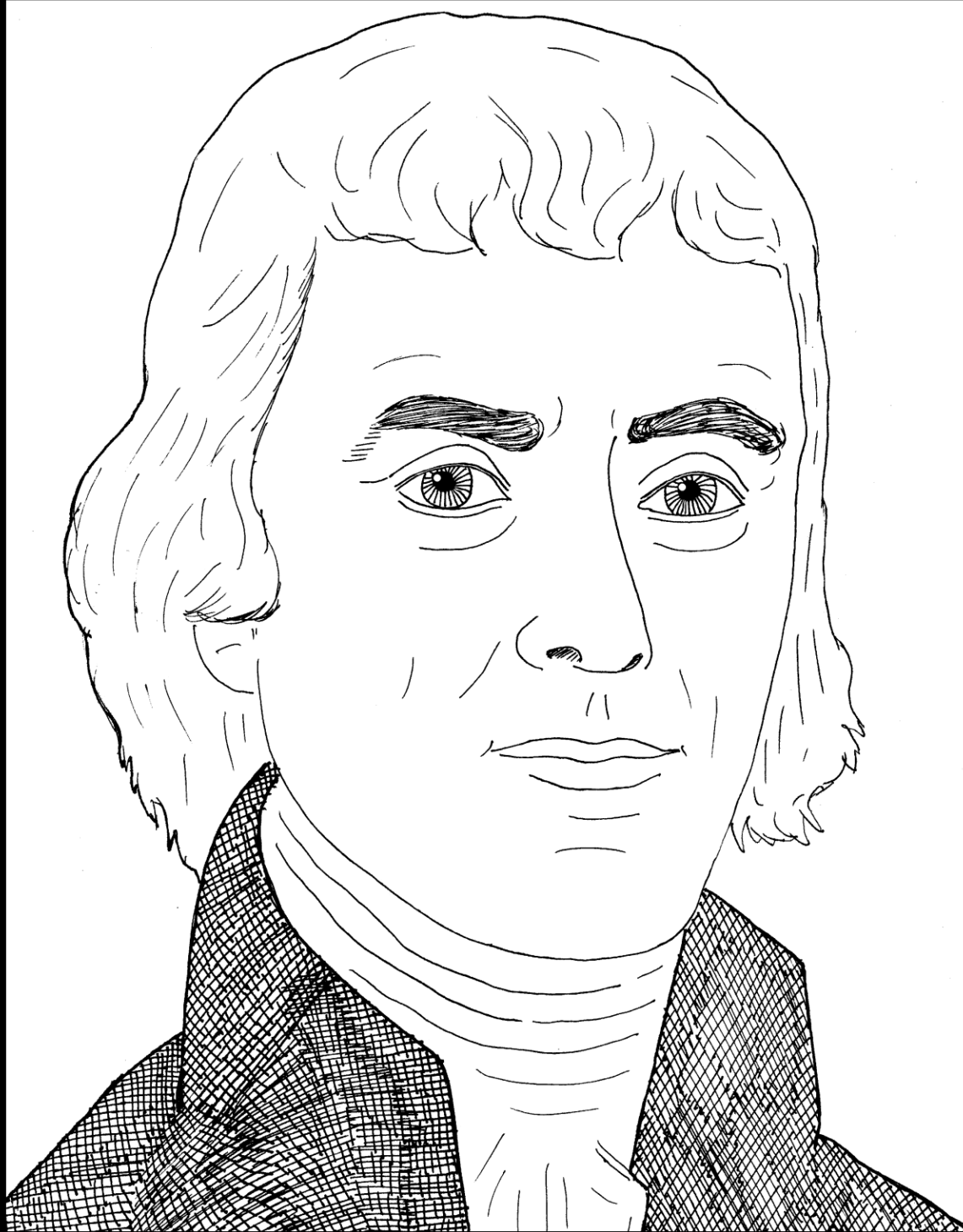
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"I never will, by any word or act, bow to the shrine of intolerance or admit a right of inquiry into the religious opinions of others."

-- Thomas Jefferson

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-- Helen Keller**

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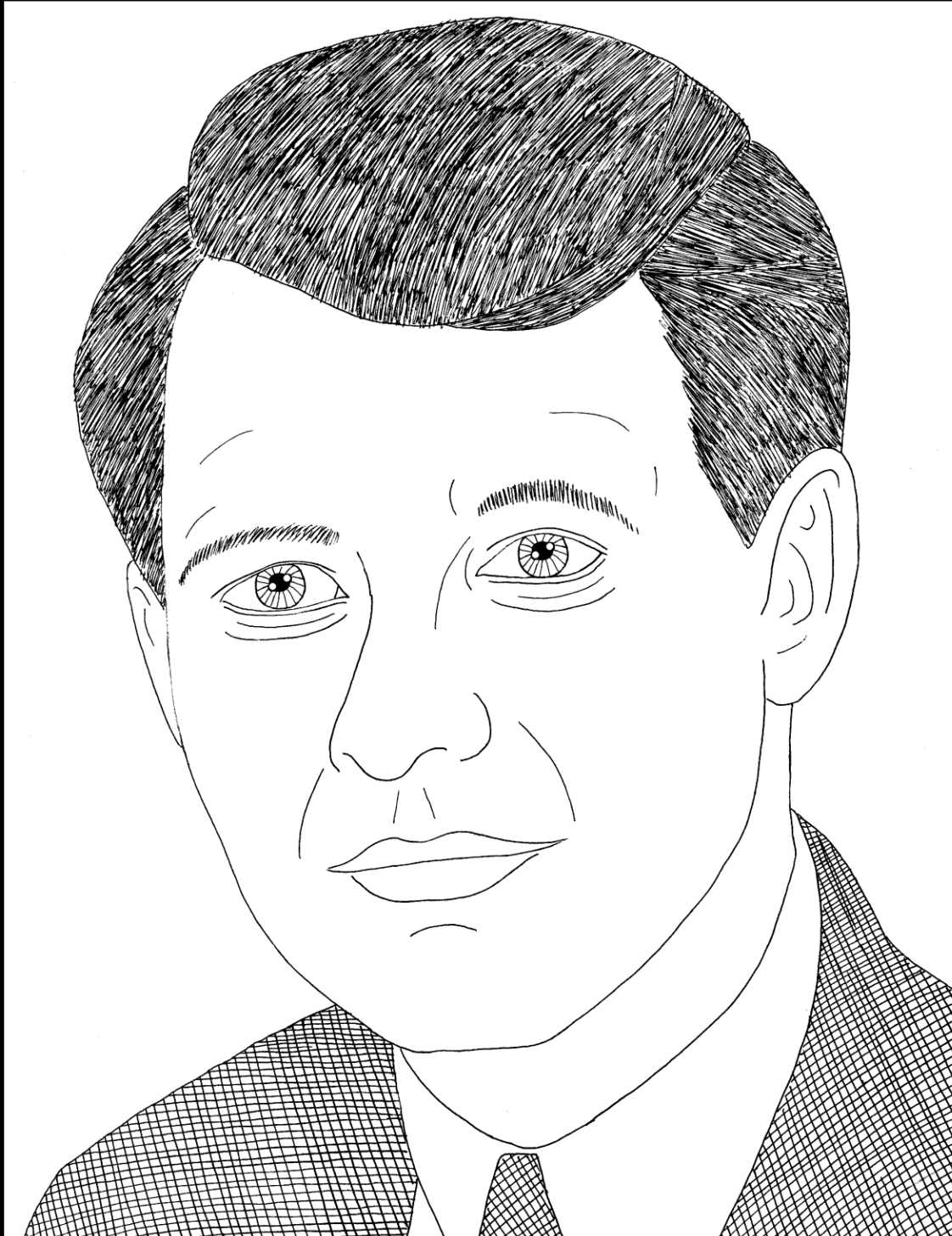
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"Ultimately, America's answer to the intolerant man is diversity, the very diversity which our heritage of religious freedom has inspired."
-- Robert F. Kennedy

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-- Coretta Scott King

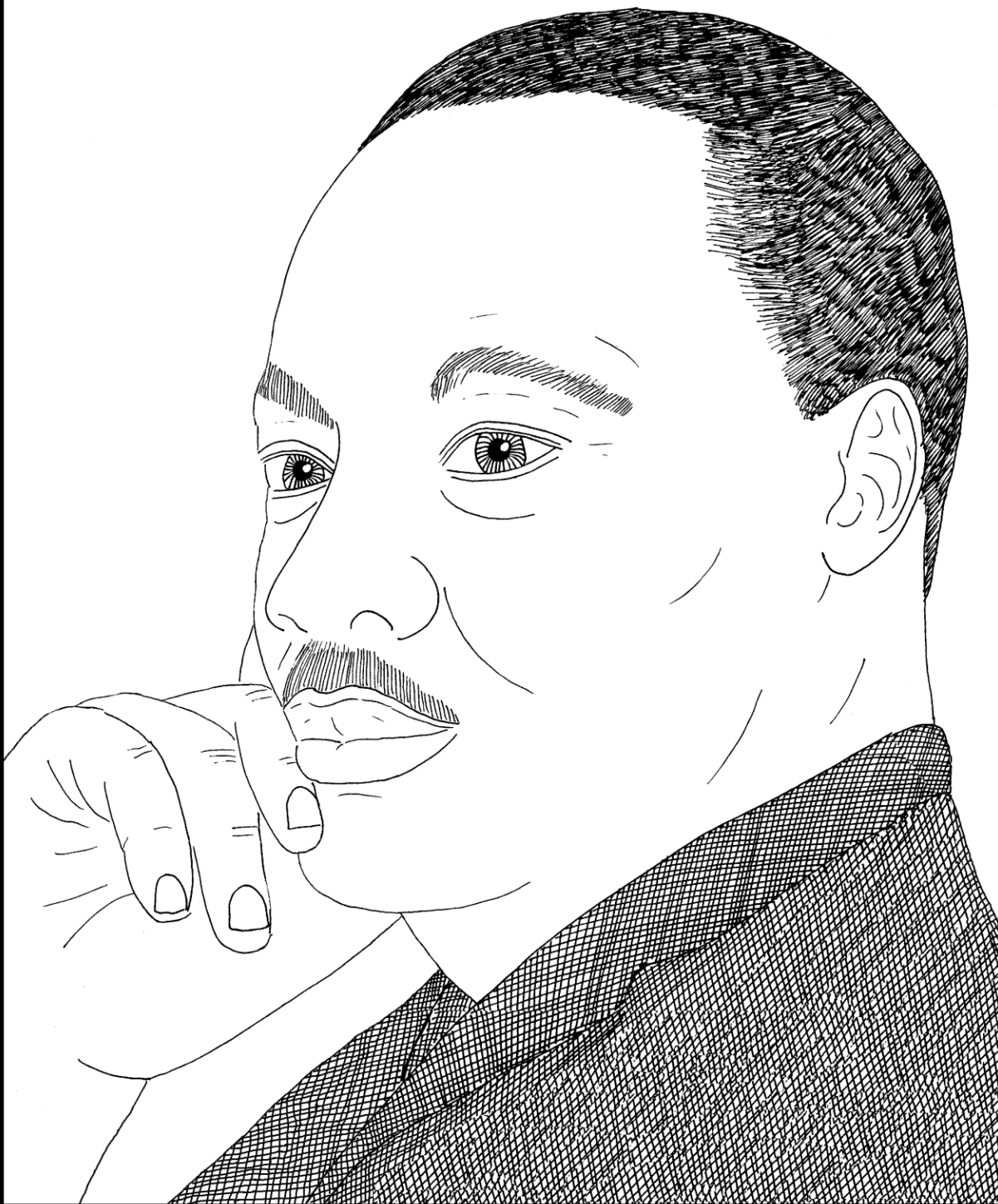
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"I refuse to accept the view that mankind is so tragically bound to the starless midnight of racism and war that the bright daybreak of peace and brotherhood can never become a reality.... I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word."

-- Martin Luther King, Jr.

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"What we need to do is learn to respect and embrace our differences until our differences don't make a difference in how we are treated."
-- Yolanda King

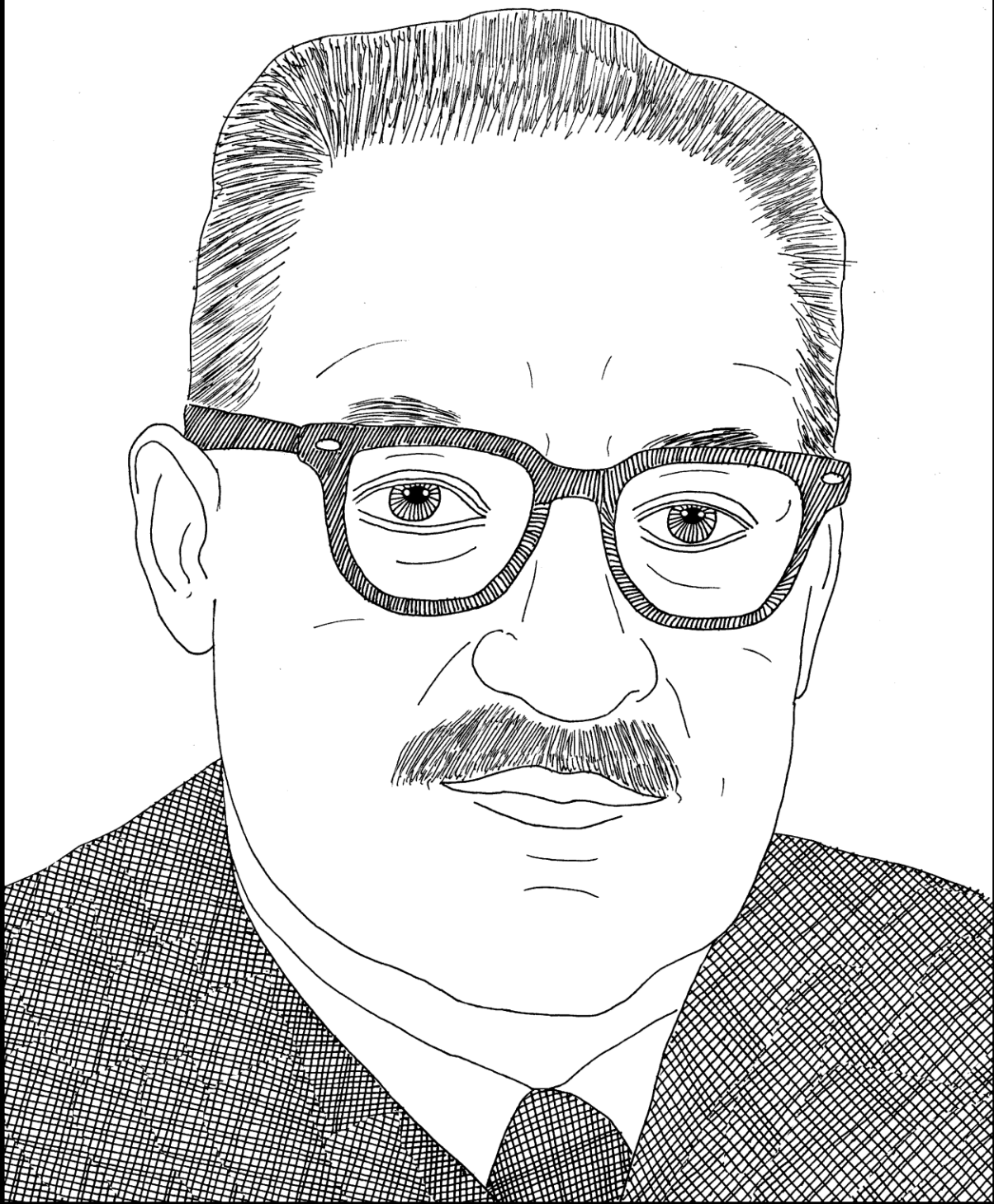
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**"In recognizing the humanity of our fellow beings,
we pay ourselves the highest tribute."**

-- Justice Thurgood Marshall

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"Winning peace means the triumph of our pledge to establish, on a democratic basis, a new social framework of tolerance and generosity from which no one will feel excluded."

-- Federico Mayor

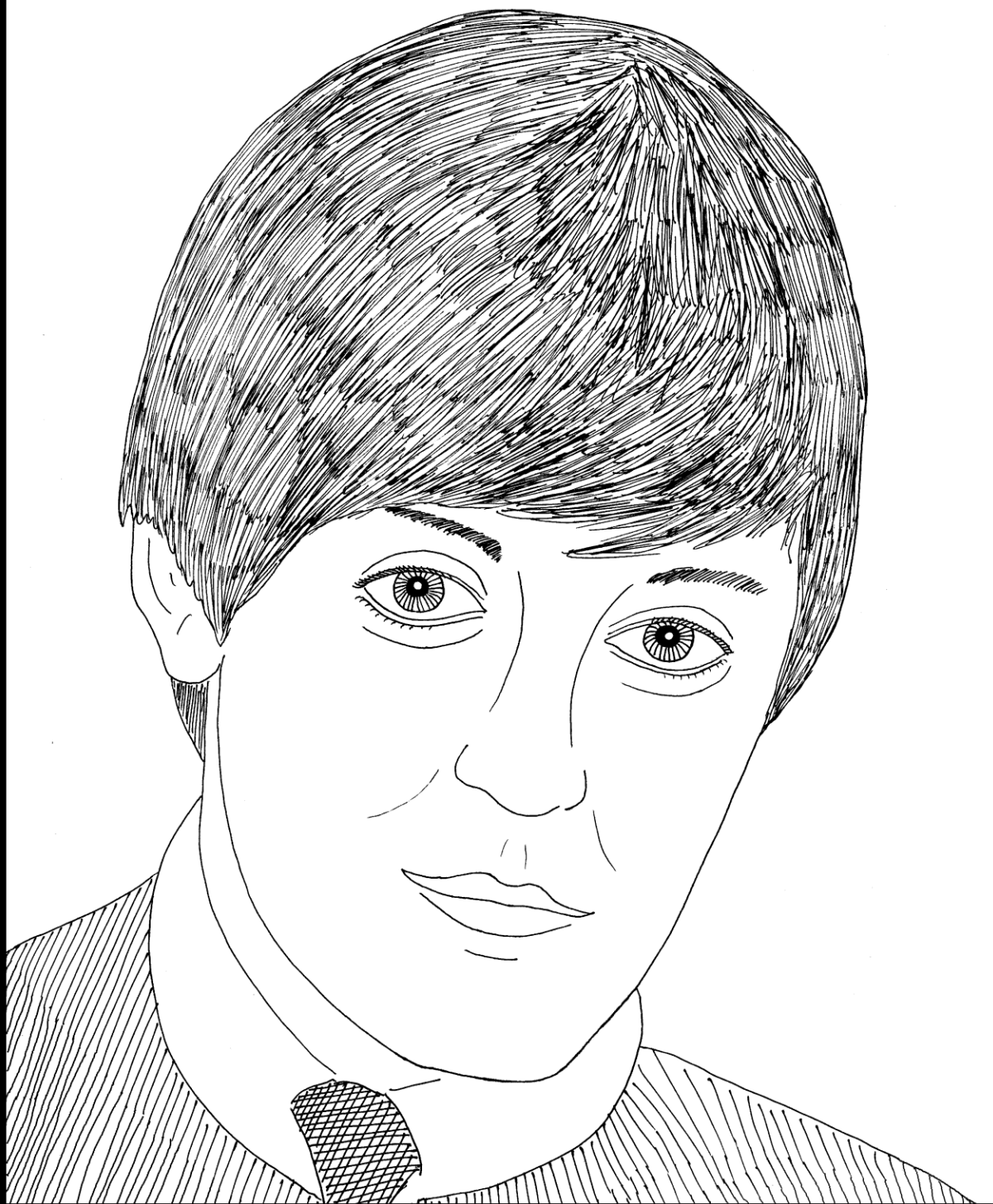
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"I used to think anyone doing anything weird was weird.
Now I know that it is the people that call others weird that are weird."
-- Paul McCartney

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"We are going forward with the idea of a multicultural, a multinational state, trying to live in unity, at the same time respecting our diversity...But we need to all come together so we can live united."
-- Evo Morales

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-- Eleanor Holmes Norton

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"My parents shared not only an improbable love, they shared an abiding faith in the possibilities of this nation. They would give me an African name, Barack, or blessed, believing that in a tolerant America your name is no barrier to success."

-- Barack Obama

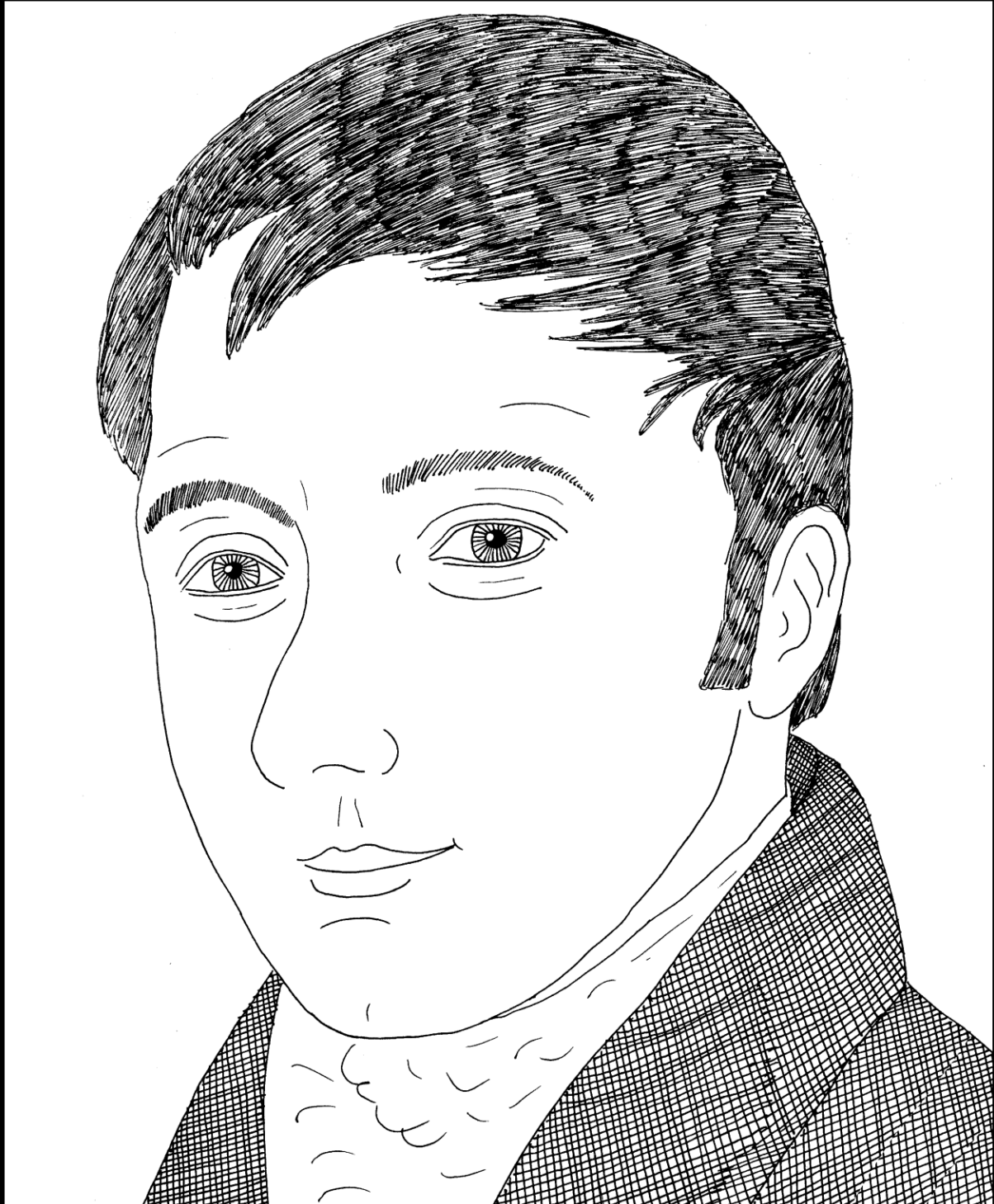
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"It is particularly recommended, as a means of uniting the inhabitants of the village into one family, that while each faithfully adheres to the principles which he most approves, at the same time all shall think charitably of their neighbours respecting their religious opinions, and not presumptuously suppose that theirs alone are right."

-- Robert Owen

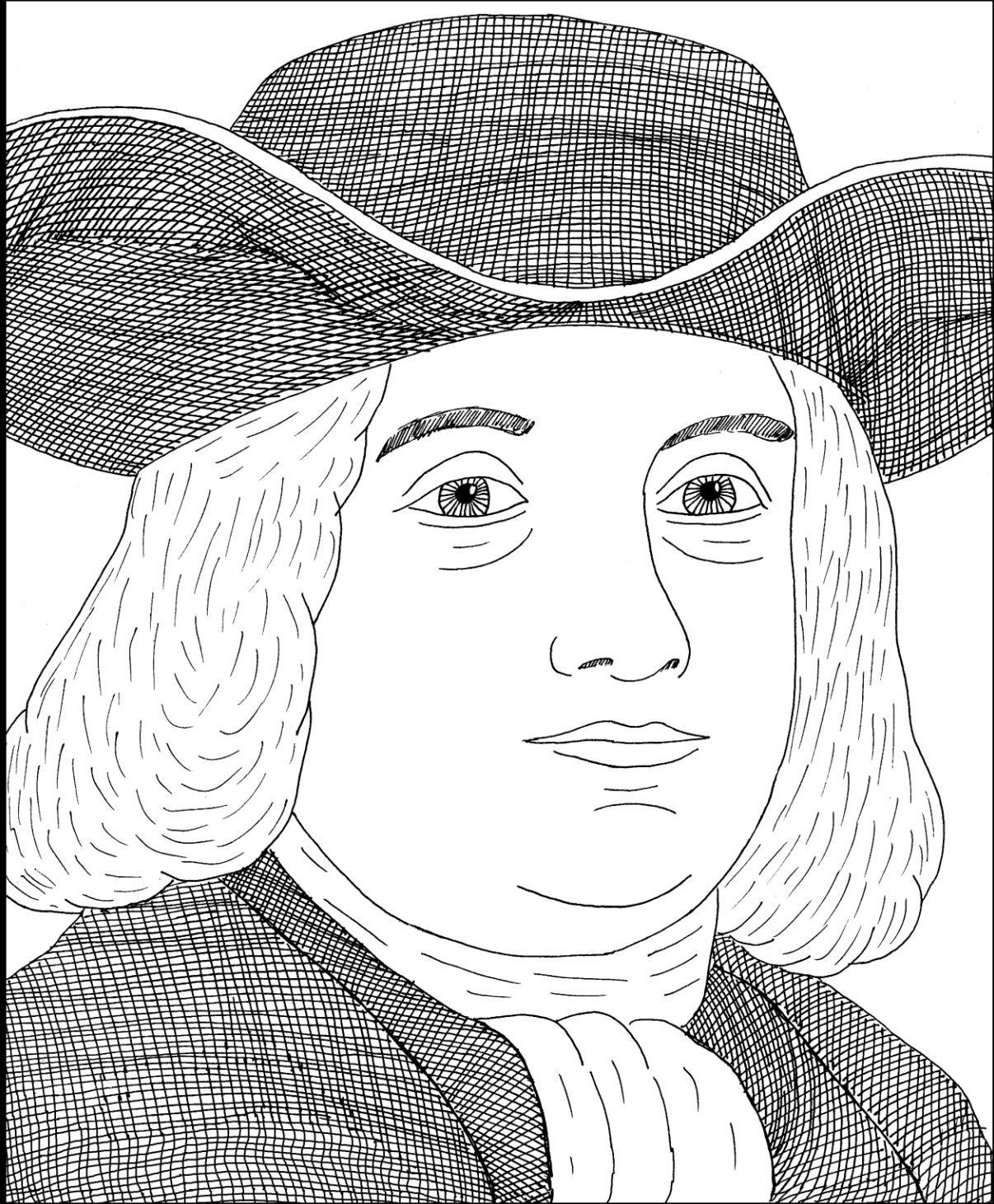
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-- William Penn

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-- Father Dominique Pire

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-- Debbie Robins

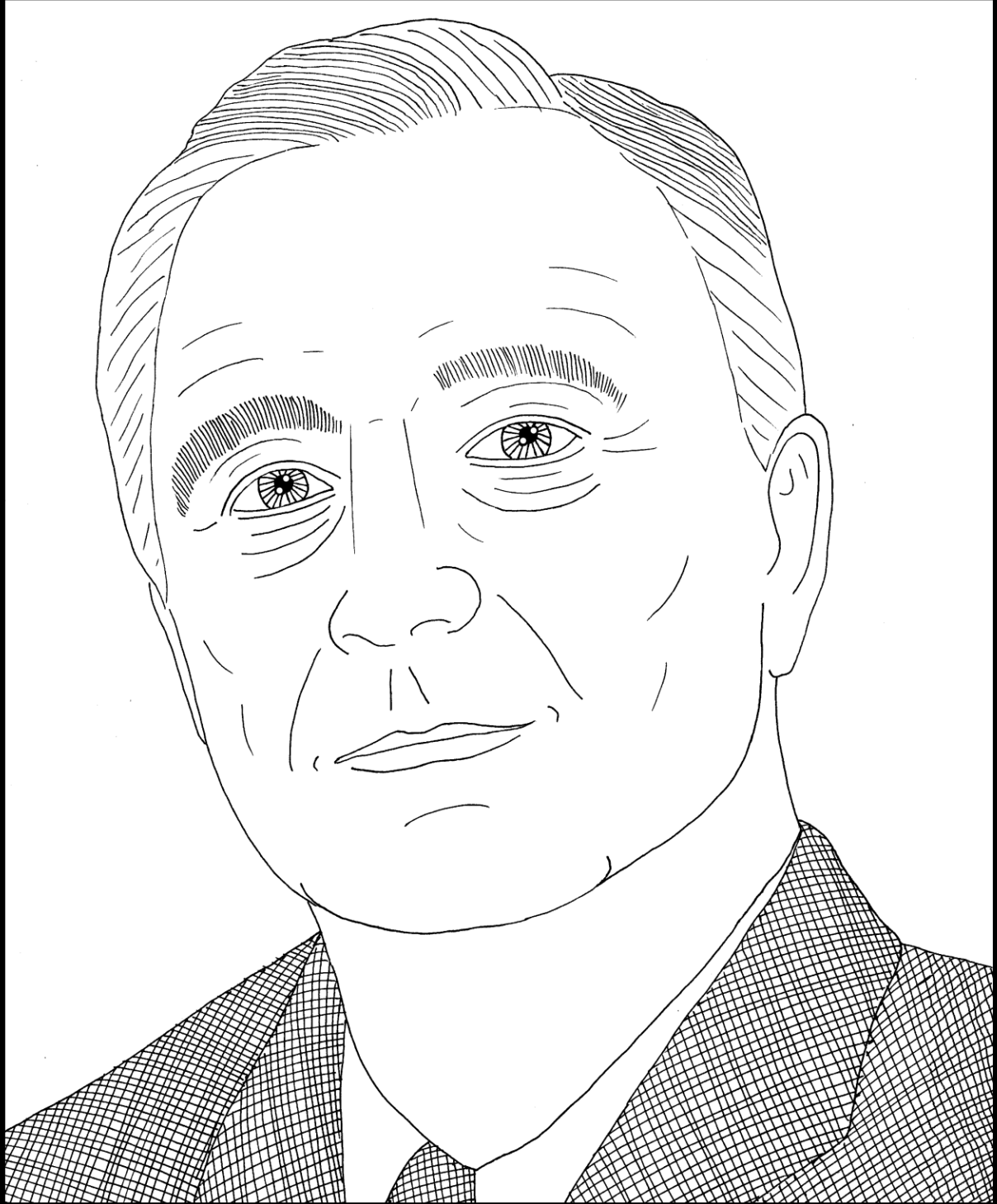
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-- Franklin D. Roosevelt

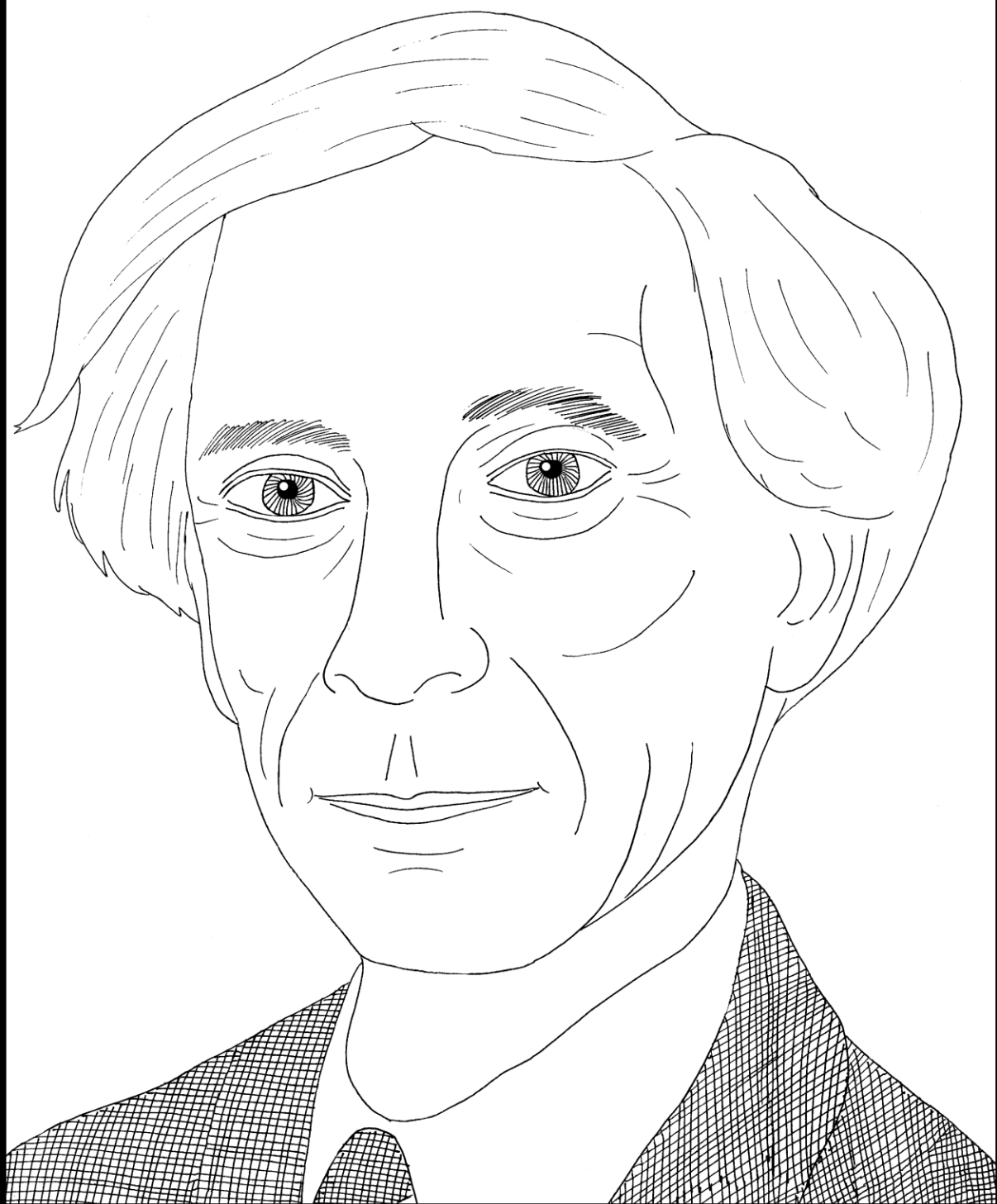
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**"Collective fear stimulates herd instinct, and tends to produce ferocity toward those who are not regarded as members of the herd."
-- Bertrand Russell**

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"...if we are open and we prepare for promoting dialogue and love, and a better understanding of each other, and tolerance and so forth, that's what the world will become, a more tolerant, loving place."

-- Russell Simmons

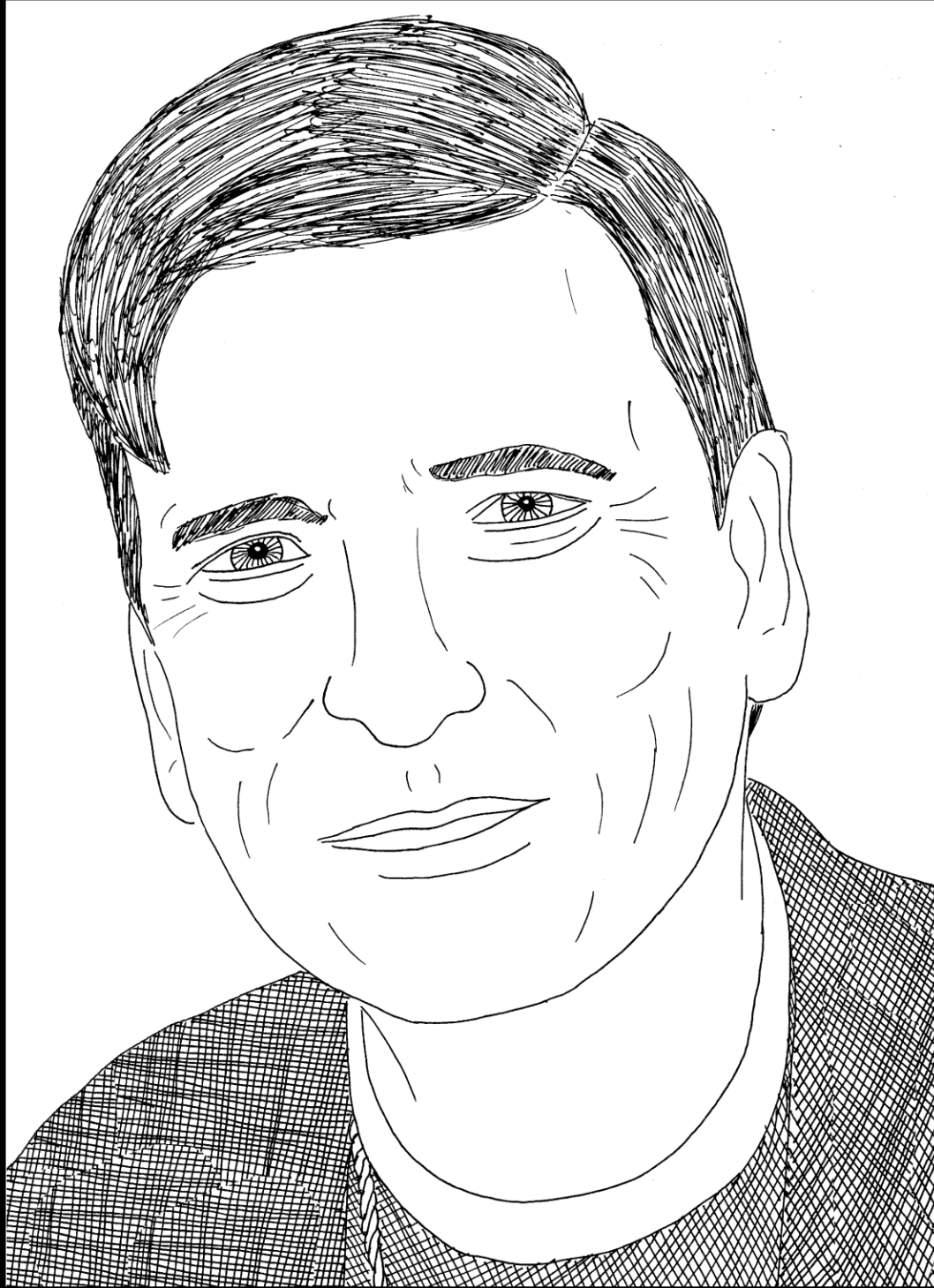
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"All human beings bear God's image and must be respected for what each person is. Therefore, no external description of one's being, whether based on race, ethnicity, gender or sexual orientation, can properly be used as the basis for either rejection or discrimination."

-- Bishop John Shelby Spong

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**"Just imagine how boring life would be if we were all the same. My idea of a perfect world is one in which we really appreciated each other's differences: Short, tall; Democrat, Republican; black, white; gay, straight--a world in which all of us are equal, but definitely not the same."
-- Barbra Streisand**

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**"Our expanding ethnic diversity of this century, a time when we will all be minorities, offers us an invitation to create a larger memory of who we are as Americans and to re-affirm our founding principle of equality."
-- Ronald Takaki**

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"We have to sit down, have a meal together, pray together and then actually talk together. Then we realize that, yes, although we have some differences they are not impassable differences."

-- Pauline Tangiora

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-- Mother Teresa**

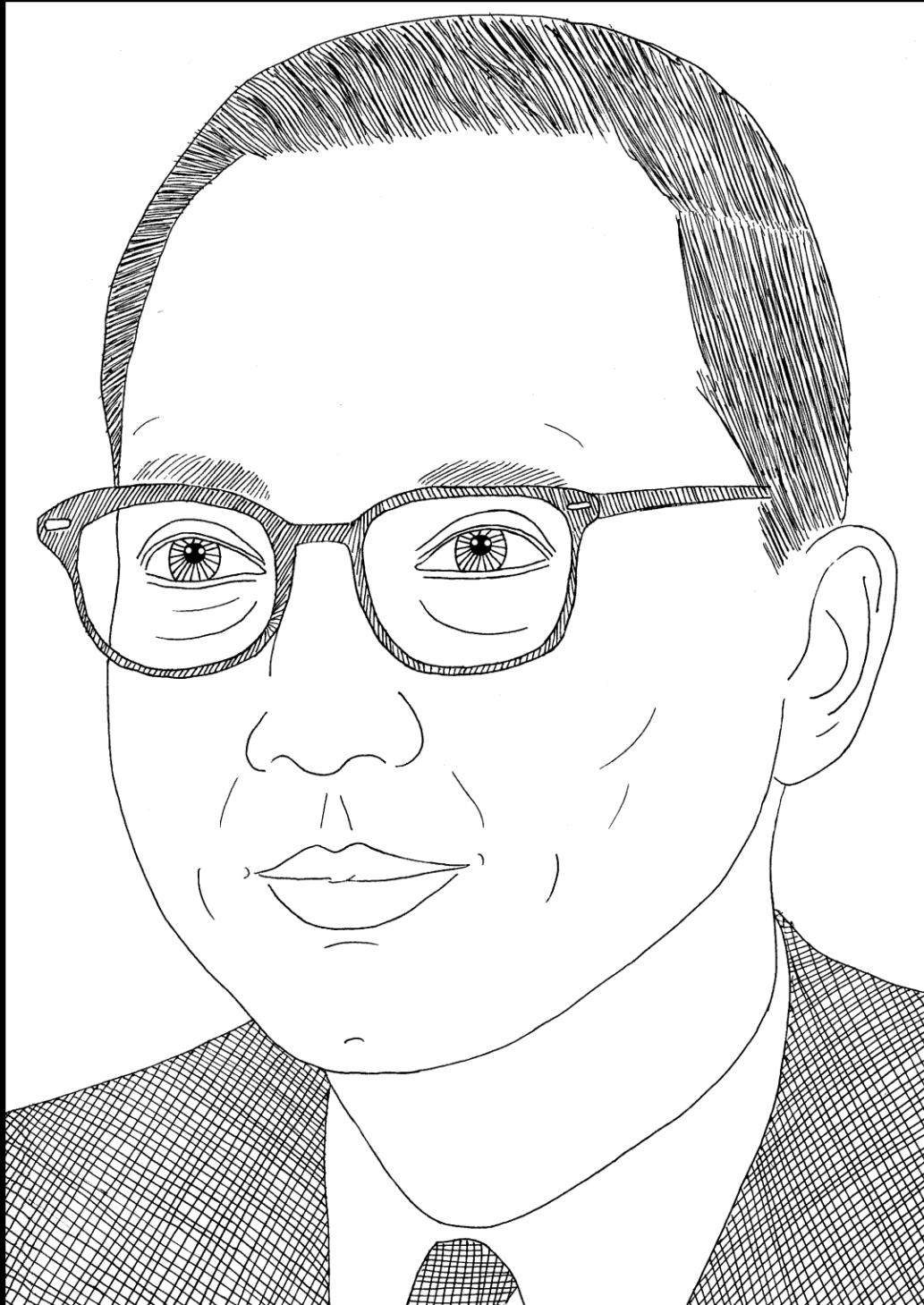
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-- U Thant, 3rd United Nations Secretary-General**

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-- Francisco Toledo

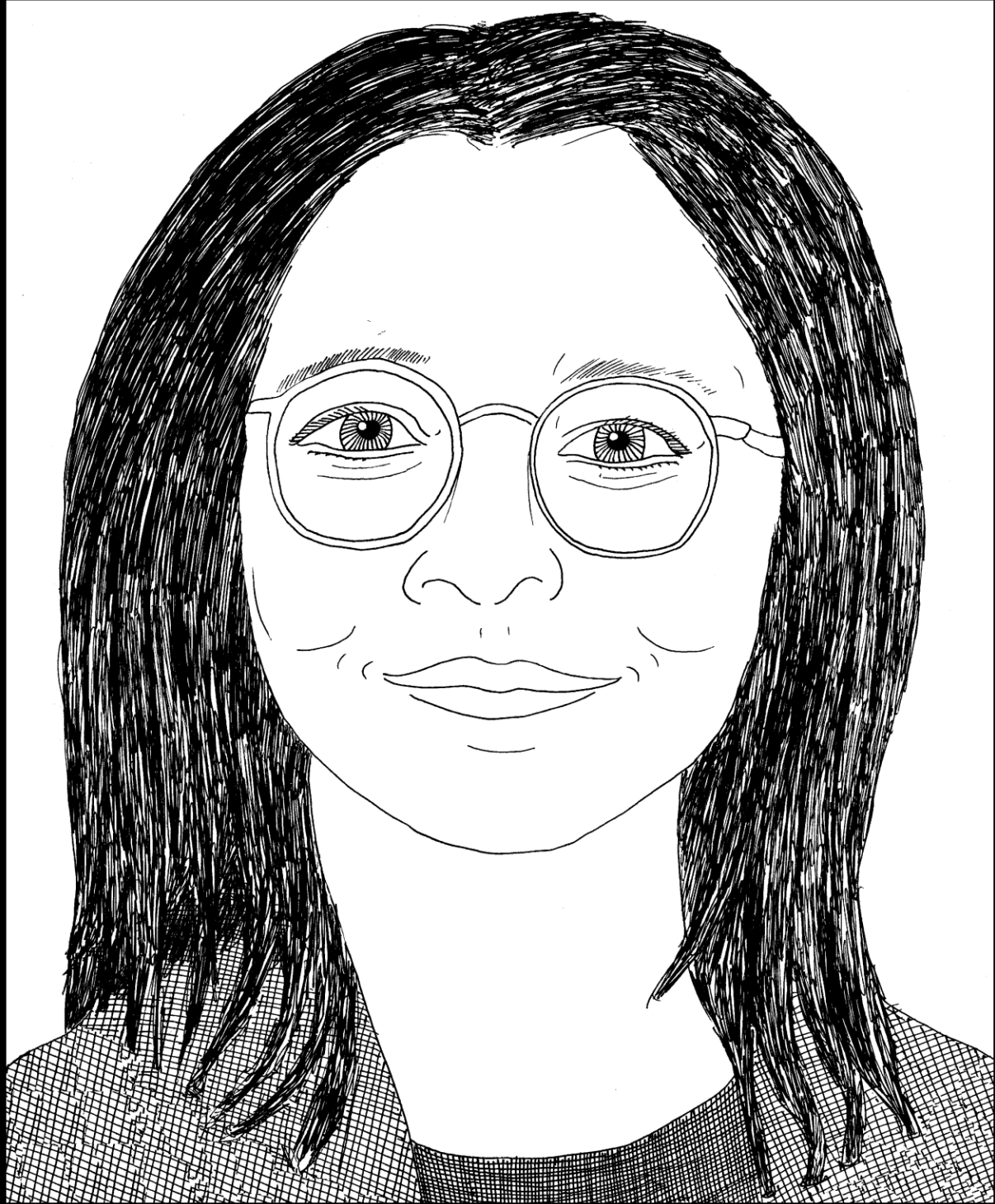
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**"No man has a right in America to treat any other man
"tolerantly" for tolerance is the assumption of superiority.
Our liberties are equal rights of every citizen."**

-- Wendell Wilkie

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