## **Barack Obama Speech**

"Unless you're Native American, you came from someplace else"

And it's really important for us to remember our history. Unless you're one of the first Americans, the Native American, you came from someplace else, somebody brought you. APPLAUSE

The Irish, who left behind a land of famine; the Germans who fled persecution, the Scandinavians who arrived eager to pioneer <u>our</u> west; the Polish, the Russians, the Italians, the Chinese, the Japanese, the West Indians – the huddled masses who came through Ellis Island on one coast and Angel Island on the other. You know... APPLAUSE

All those folks, before they were us, they were them. And when each new wave of immigrants arrived, they faced resistance from those who were already here. They faced hardship. They faced racism. They faced ridicule. But over time, as they went about their daily lives, as they earned a living, as they raised a family, as they built a community, as their kids went to school here... they did their part to build the nation. They were the Einsteins and the Carnegies, but they were also the millions of women and men whose names history may not remember, but whose actions helped make us who we are, who built this country hand by hand, brick by brick.

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