



Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address Glossary

Oath—a solemn promise or vow

Address—public speech

Expiration—end, finish

Declaration—a public announcement

Engross—takes up all the attention or energy of

Arms—weapons, armies

Ventured—tried, attempted

Impending—about to occur, threatening

Avert—avoid or prevent

Agent—person with a mission or job to do

Dissolve—to put an end to, break up, do away with

Negotiation—to talk out a problem and try to solve it without violence

Deprecated—to disapprove of, want to avoid

Perish—to cease to exist

Fervently—with intense feeling, strongly, passionately

Scourge—evil thing, hardship

Bondsman—slave

Unrequited—not paid for

Toil—work

Lash—whip

Righteous—morally right

Malice—desire to cause pain or injury to another

Charity—goodwill and generosity toward others

Strive—work hard to achieve

Bind—bandage, tie up

Borne—to put up with, endure

Cherish—to hold dear or treasure