

THE QUEEN OF COMEDY

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(Lights up on an empty nightclub stage, if we can find one.)

V/O

Good evening ladies and germs! McGiggle's Comedy Club is proud to present "The First Lady of Laughter" LAURA BUSH!!!!

(LAURA enters, shadowed by a SECRET SERVICE AGENT. LAURA checks her 3x5 cards.)

LAURA

Hi-yooo!!!! Hey, it's great to be here tonight. Y'know I just flew in from Washington and boy did they have to divert half the air traffic in North America! I tell ya, I love McGiggle's but let me tell you, the drinks here are soooo watered down....

SECRET SERVICE

"How watered down are they?"

LAURA

The drinks here are so watered down, my husband could drink them! Y'know I don't want to say Dubya used to drink a lot, but to this day you can still go to Yale frat parties and order your drinks in small, medium, or "George!" Hey, I'm happy in my marriage, really, but there's still a few things I wish were different. Let's just say, not everything's bigger in Texas!

(DUBYA enters with his SECRET SERVICE AGENT.)

DUBYA

Uh, 'scuse me, sugar plum?

LAURA

Well, speak of the devil! Oops, is the Christian right in the house? Y'know, one time Jesus, Jerry Falwell, and my husband were on an airplane together and...

DUBYA

Whoa! What she means is, "The Lord is always with us!"
Honey, we gotta talk.

LAURA

What's to talk about, sweetheart? I'm just havin' my girls' night a little early and you're in my light.

DUBYA

Honey, I came home from the office with Crown Prince Abdullah and you weren't there. I had to tell him you were sick ...

LAURA

Well, I don't see why you needed me to be there. What with that girl following you everywhere...

DUBYA

Now Laura, her name's Condoleeza and she's my Secretary of State...

LAURA

I'm sure she is. Never said she wasn't...

DUBYA

Now we talked about this...

LAURA

And I told you everything is fine and it's fine, George. You have Dick, and Donny, and that girl and I have my friends, like...like...

(She nods at her SECRET SERVICE AGENT.)

SECRET SERVICE AGENT

Bravo-Nine, ma'am.

LAURA (misting up)

...like Bravo-Nine, here! He's my friend... he's nice to me... we talk all the time...

DUBYA

Sweetie, please, just come home. We can talk after Prince Abdullah goes back to that Arab country he lives in!

LAURA

No! I'm gonna finish my set! I have my "tight five" and my little note cards! And do you know this is how Roseanne got her start? They made a movie about it with Tom Hanks and Sally Field!

DUBYA

The one with the dummy who told the guy to kill everybody?

LAURA

That was "Magic" and it was about ventriloquists, George! I'm a comedienne! Just go away!

DUBYA

Awww, you're KILLIN' ME, Laura!

(BUSH'S SECRET SERVICE AGENT freaks out.)

BUSH'S SECRET SERVICE GUY

"Eagle under fire! Repeat, the Eagle is under fire! All units go! Go!"

(LAURA is bum-rushed by several agents and dragged off screaming despite DUBYA's protests. DUBYA is left alone on stage except for his SECRET SERVICE AGENT.)

DUBYA

Dang... So... Who here's from out of town?

(BLACKOUT)