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Political cabaret with piano, voice, and sound effects. That's right - sleigh bells, drums, charging elephants. It's all there. Bye bye Bush. 22 MP3 Songs FOLK: Political Details: Theres alot of variety on this CD. A little folk, a little hip-hop, a little Broadway. A dash of Tom Lehrer, Spike Jones, and Boris Karloff. A hint of Gilbert and Sullivan, John Philip Sousa, and Mozart. As for content that should be obvious. If you think the Bush crowd cares about you or the American people, then this album is not your cup of tea. This disc is way up on sarcasm and way down on right-wing Republicans. (You know the kind. They use God as a political football, then pretend theyre righteous. They bankrupt the country, then pretend theyre conservative. They try to run the world, but all they can do is run their mouth.) But even though humor and satire are the foundation of the CD, there are a few subjects that defy a wink and a nudge. The Iraq War is one of them. As my Grandma used to say about all tragedies, Its a sad situation. And so the anti-war Video-Game Soldiers (#14 on the disc) is a sad song. Diebold Waltz (pronounced Dee-bold) (#12) is also sad a reminder that our democracy is on thin ice. We not only have secret government files, and secret government agencies, and secret meetings at the White House, and secret Black Budgets, but we also have secret technology for our Diebold voting machines. And then theres Darlin Katie (#19). Its about an obscure Presidential power-grab called a Signing Statement. A Signing Statement is one of those political maneuvers that should have gotten serious Press attention, but didnt. Heres how Michael Ratner, of the Center for Constitutional Rights, puts it: What the President has done is basically lay the plan for what has to be called a coup-d'etat in America. It is a small paragraph and it's contained in what is called a 'signing statement.' It was signed on December 30th and it's the signing statement to what is called the McCain amendment. You probably all remember the McCain amendment. That's the amendment that prohibits cruel, inhuman, and degrading treatment, or supposedly prohibits

it...... The president's statement on McCain is only one short paragraph. But it is historic. It is unprecedented. And if you're looking for the grab for power that allows you, permits you, compels you to call this administration a tyranny, it is that paragraph. It makes three points and I'll paraphrase. First, speaking as the president, 'My authority as commander in chief allows me to do whatever I think is necessary in the war on terror including use torture. Second, the Commander in Chief cannot be checked by Congress. Third, the Commander in Chief cannot be checked by the courts.' There it is. There you have it. That boring stuff I learned as a junior high school student about checks and balances or about limited law or about authority under law - out the window. Gone. In other words, the republic and democracy is over. In Germany what did they call that? They called that the fuhrer's law. Why? Because the fuhrer was the law. That's what George Bush is saying here. George Bush is the law. But back to the album. Back to the songs that trash the Busheviks. Theatrical songs. Silly songs. Wild and wacky songs. Aside from the old truism that its always darkest before the dawn, this is a fun CD. By the end of the disc, I think youll be left with the feeling that any outfit as screwed up as the Bush Administration is doomed to be found out. Meanwhile, as you wait for the Bushies to come unglued, I encourage you to tap your toes, laugh out loud, and be glad that youre a rational human being full of music, love, truth, justice, and all the things that are despised by the cowpie bullies who are slowly, but surely, being laughed into oblivion. Eskit Member in good standing Twin Cities Musicians Union, Local 30-73

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