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— John Edwards

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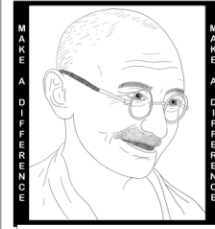
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— Mahatma Gandhi

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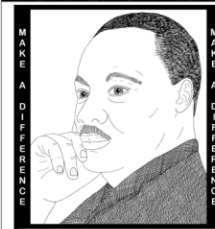
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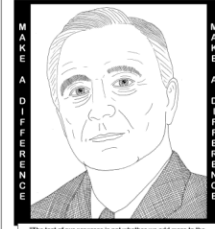
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"The good news is we have the technology and the funds to abolish poverty on a global scale. All that is standing in our way is education and will."
— Natalie Portman

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"The best of our progress is felt whether we add more to the abundance of those who have enough, or to whether we provide enough for those who have less."
— Franklin D. Roosevelt

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"It's quite possible to arrive in the year 2030 when people are no longer dying of poverty. We could actually help lead a global end-of-a-reduction, but we need to abolish poverty."
— Jeffrey Sachs

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"I attempted to see business as a broad 'no-consumption' problem (spending less on how people can buy food, or otherwise get enticed to it, rather than in terms of the gross conventional picture of aggregate food supply for the economy as a whole."
— Kenyan Jomo Kenyatta

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"We know that many boys and girls leave school because of poverty, because they have to work. However, there are an important number of children who abandon their studies because of the stress they're subject to by teachers and their own parents."
— Barack Obama

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"Poverty and lack of knowledge must be challenged."
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"Some people think that poor people are lazy. Actually, it takes a lot of work to earn what you are dirt poor."
— Muhammad Yunus

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"Do we have the will to make poverty history?"
-- Bono

Globalization has improved the lives of people throughout the world, but it has also widened the gap between rich and poor. Half the world lives on less than \$2 a day and 30,000 children die each day because of poverty. Even in America, 36 million people are poor. Poverty affects families, communities and nations. When people are not able to get the food and shelter they need, conflicts arise. Working to end poverty will make the world safer.

At the UN Millennium Summit, the world's leaders pledged to help end poverty as the first of 8 Millennium Development Goals. The rest of these goals address ways to eliminate poverty such as ensuring education for all children, improving health and empowering women. Many campaigns are working with the UN's Millennium Campaign to pressure governments to live up to their promises, such as Britain's Make Poverty History Campaign and the ONE Campaign in America. 2005's global Live 8 concert, organized by Bob Geldof and U2's Bono, helped to bring

worldwide attention to the end poverty movement, and the White Band Campaign makes it easy for everyone to show their support.

End Poverty Day, on October 17, is an opportunity to mobilize to remind governments about their pledge to achieve the Millennium Development Goals, and to inspire individuals to see that together we can end poverty.

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1. Find out more about global poverty
2. Wear the White Band to show your support
3. Hold an event to raise awareness about ending poverty
4. Contribute to organizations working to end poverty

Organizations Helping End Poverty

- ACCION International (accion.org)
- FINCA International (villagebanking.org)
- Make Poverty History (makepovertyhistory.org)
- Millennium Campaign (millenniumcampaign.org)
- NetAid (netaid.org)
- ONE Campaign (one.org)

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**"Wars against nations are fought to change maps;
wars against poverty are fought to map change."
-- Muhammad Ali**

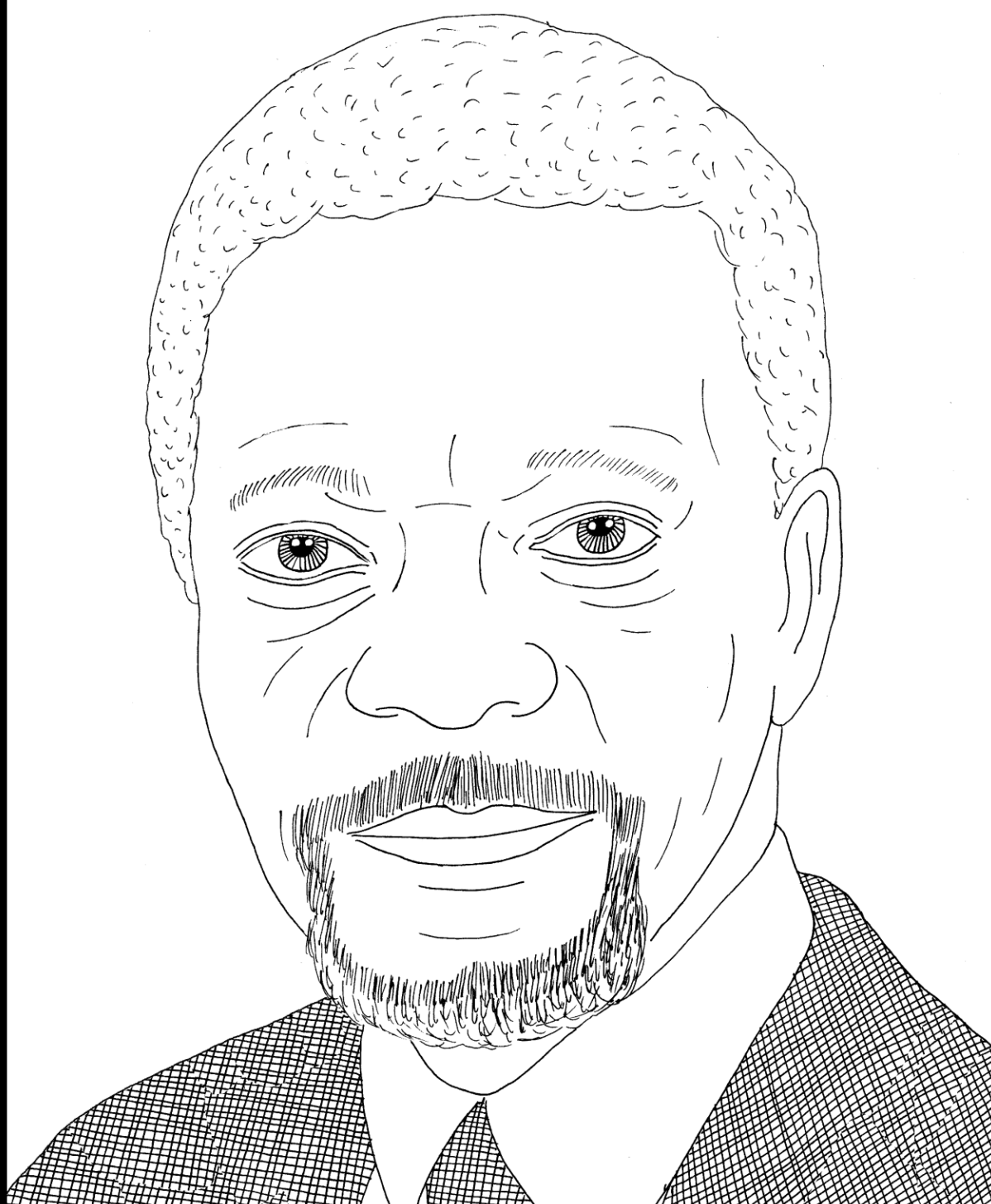
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**"Poverty devastates families, communities and nations.
It causes instability and political unrest and fuels conflict."
-- Kofi Annan**

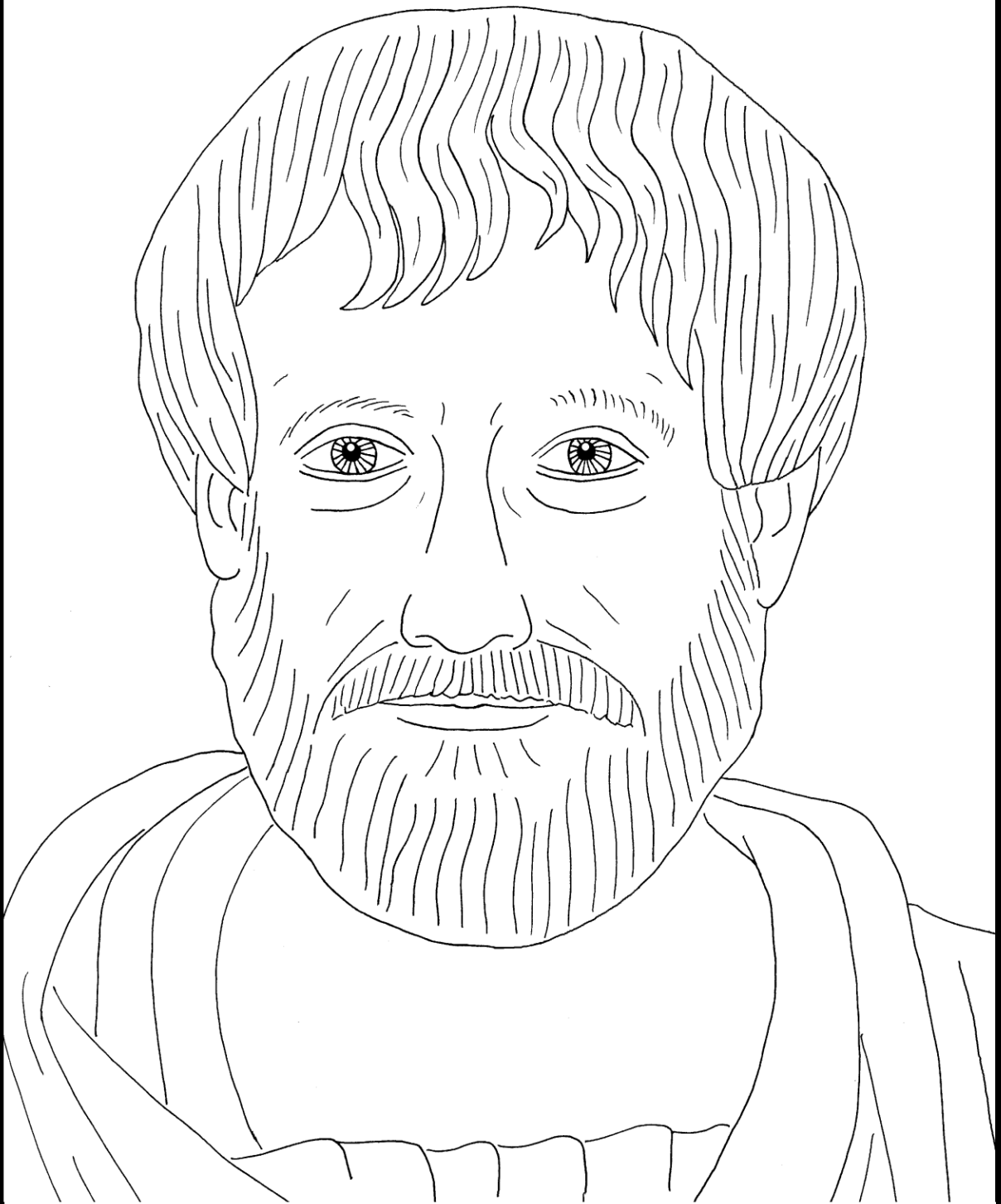
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**"Poverty is the parent of revolution and crime."
-- Aristotle**

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**"Anyone who has ever struggled with poverty
knows how extremely expensive it is to be poor."
-- James Baldwin**

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"We, who have so much, must do more to help those in need.
And most of all, we must live simply, so that others may simply live."
-- Ed Begley, Jr.

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"Peace is something more than the absence of war,
although some nations would be thankful for that alone today.
A durable and equitable peace system requires
equal development opportunities for all nations."

-- Willy Brandt

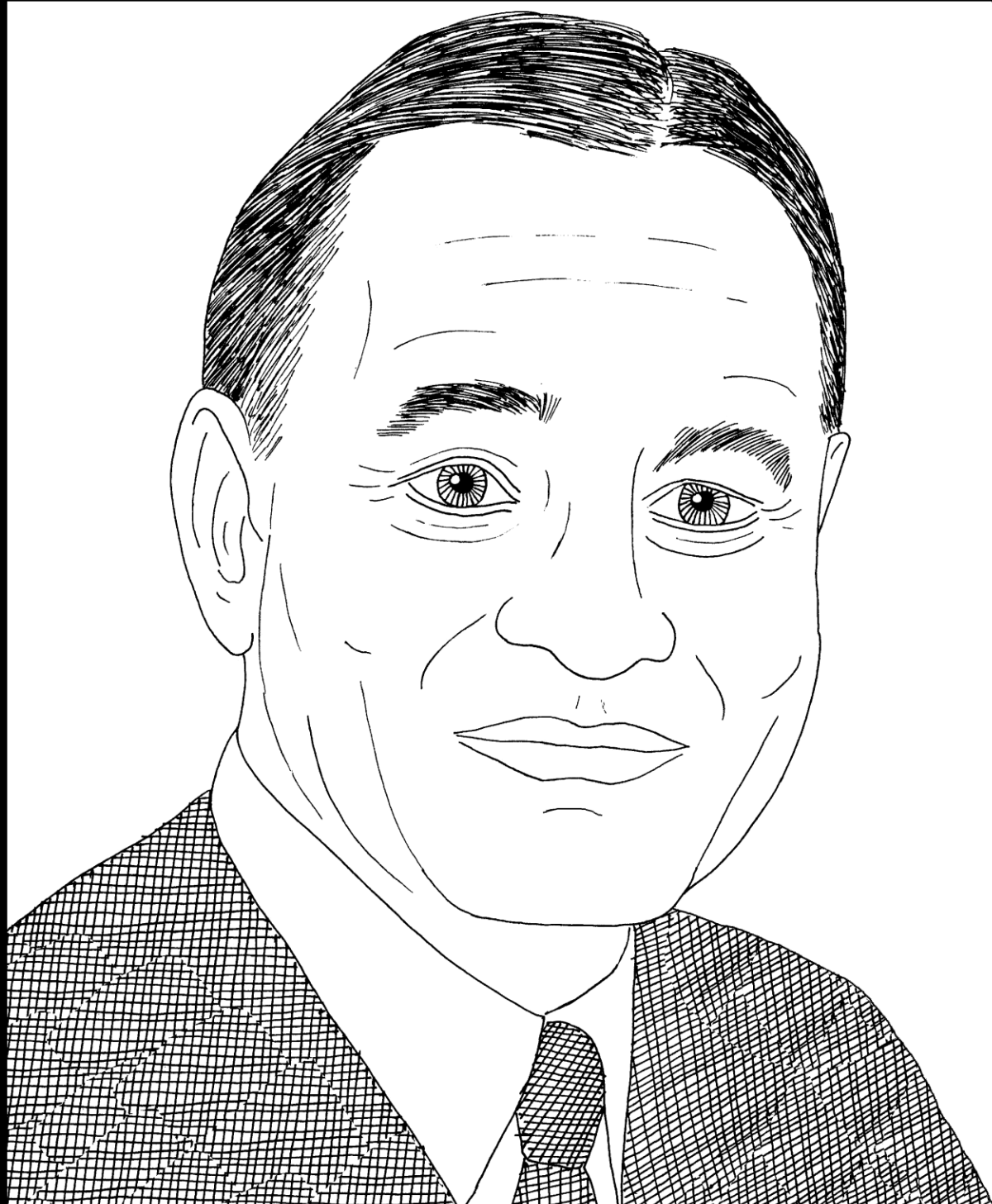
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"Peace, to have meaning for many who have known only suffering in both peace and war, must be translated into bread or rice, shelter, health, and education, as well as freedom and human dignity - a steadily better life."

-- Ralph Bunche

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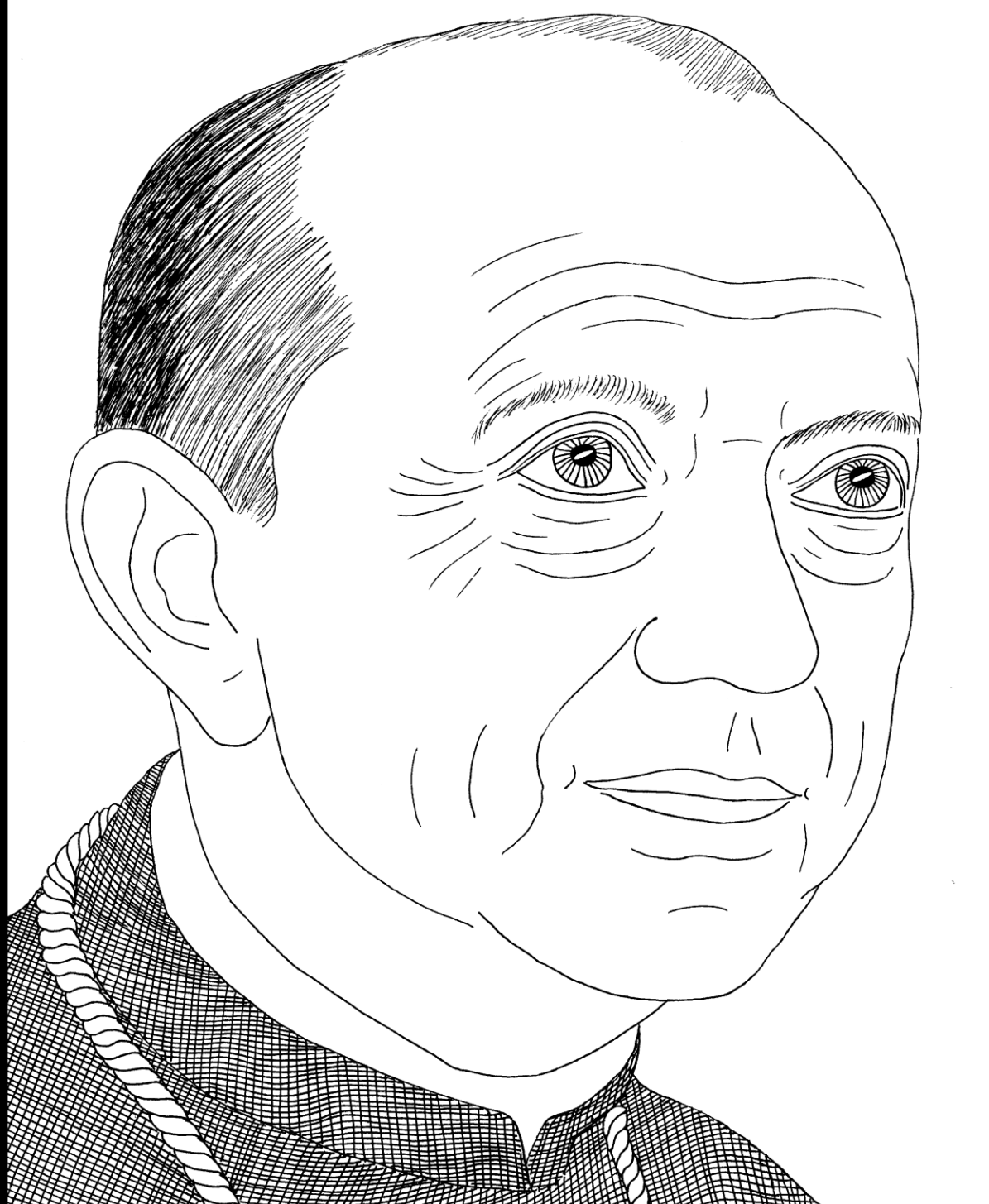
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-- Archbishop Hélder Câmara**

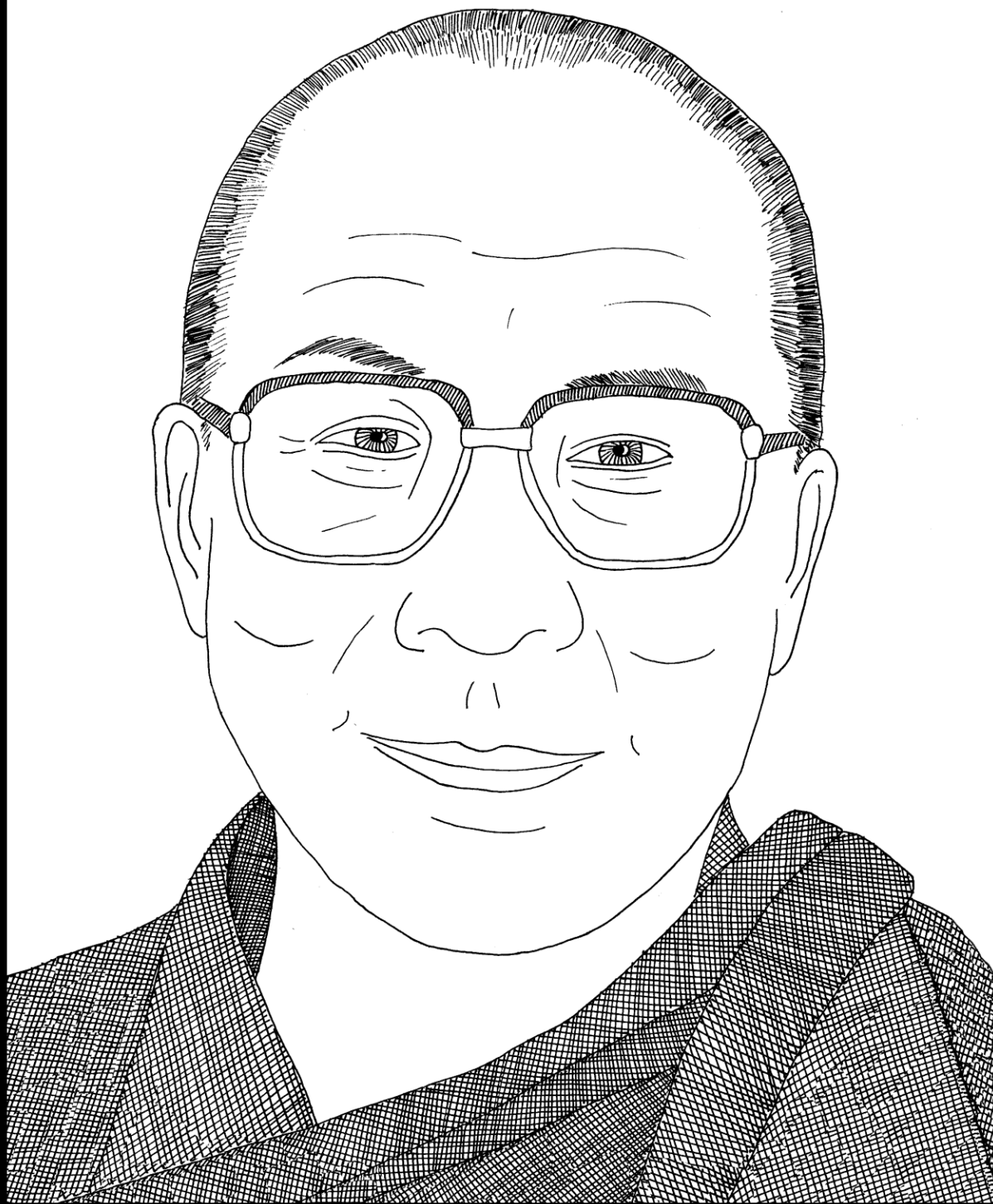
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"Peace can only last where human rights are respected,
where the people are fed,
and where individuals and nations are free."

-- Dalai Lama

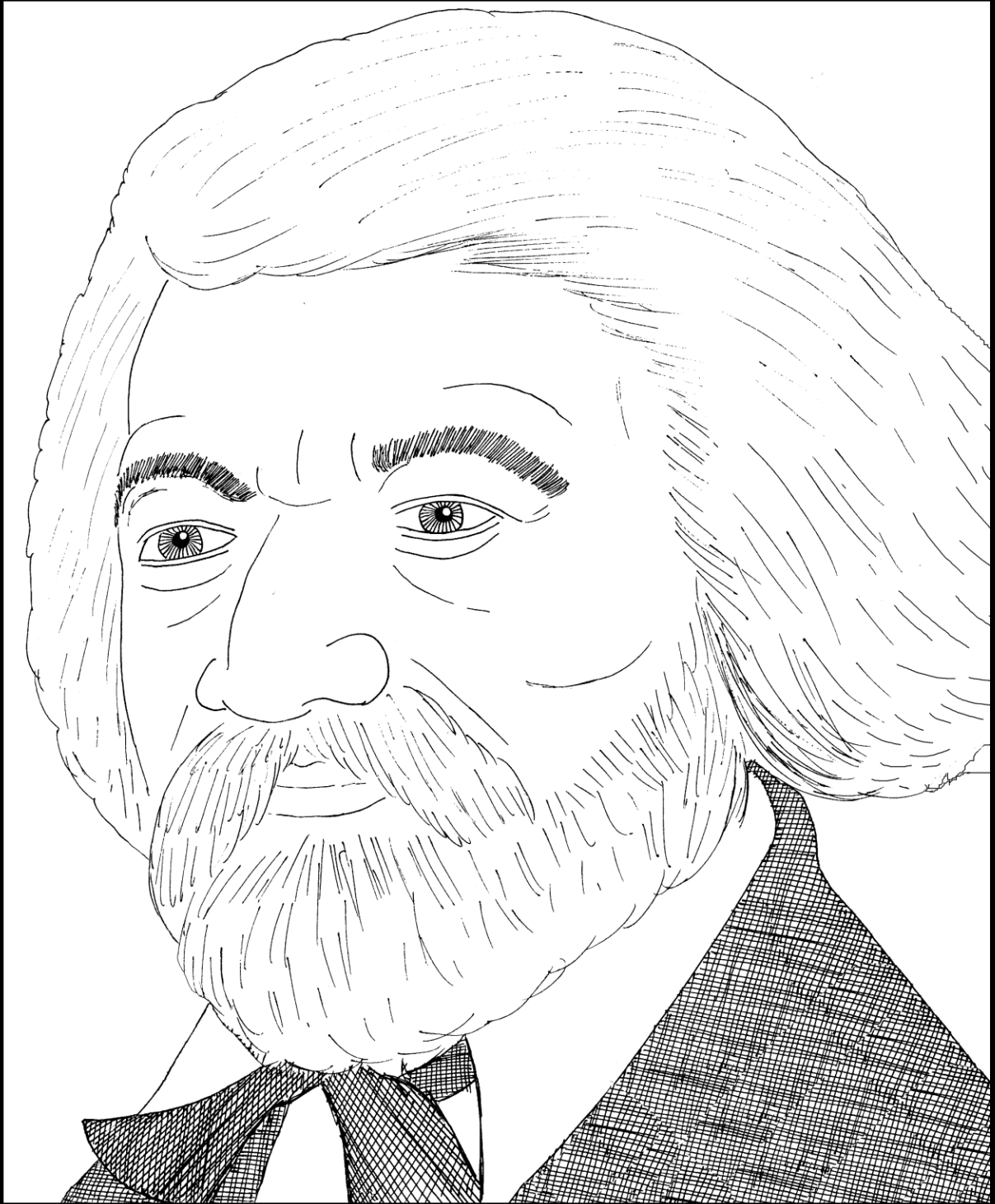
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"Where justice is denied, where poverty is enforced, where ignorance prevails, and where any one class is made to feel that society is an organized conspiracy to oppress, rob and degrade them, neither persons nor property will be safe."

-- Frederick Douglass

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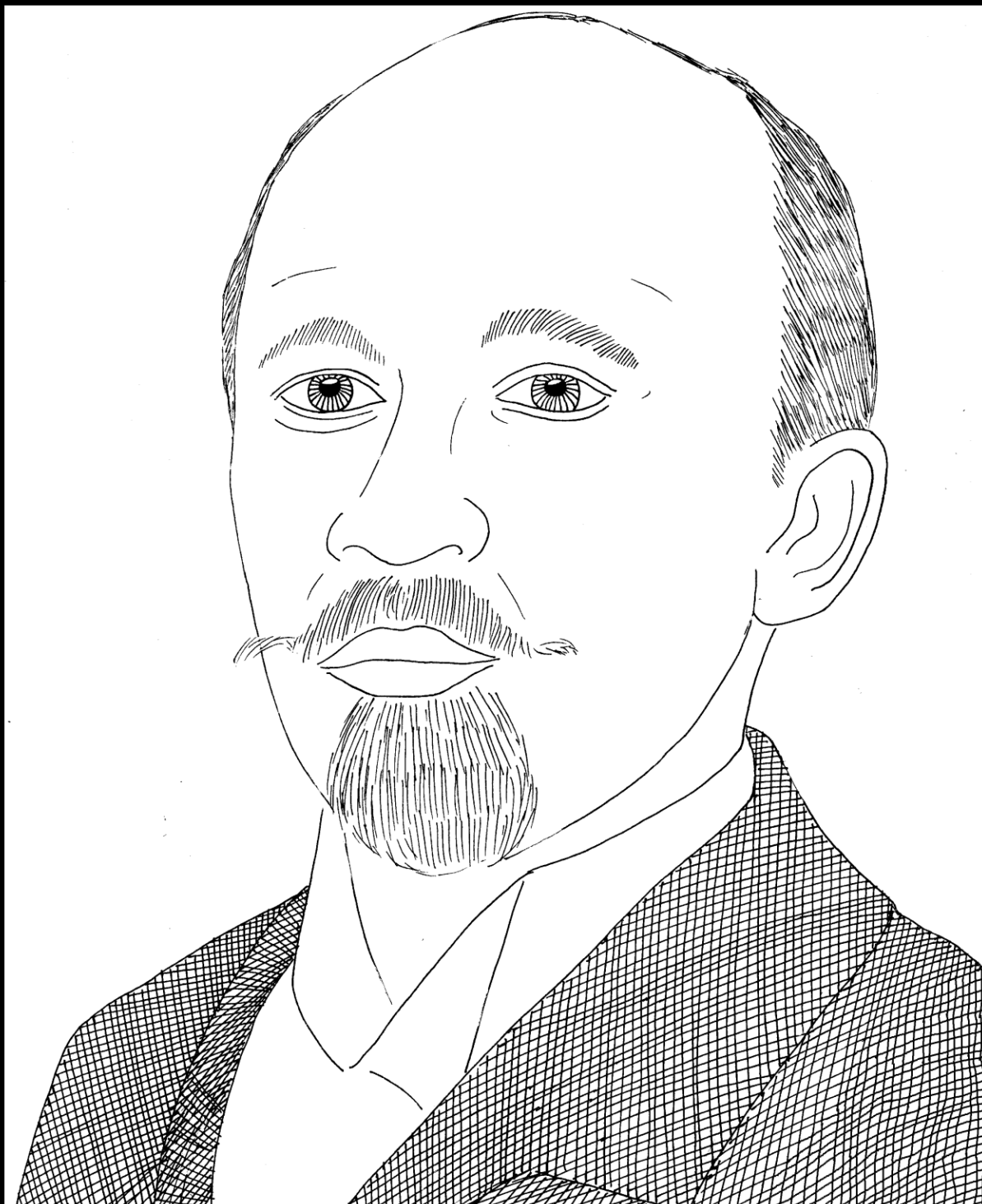
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**"To be a poor man is hard, but to be a poor race
in a land of dollars is the very bottom of hardships."
-- W. E. B. DuBois**

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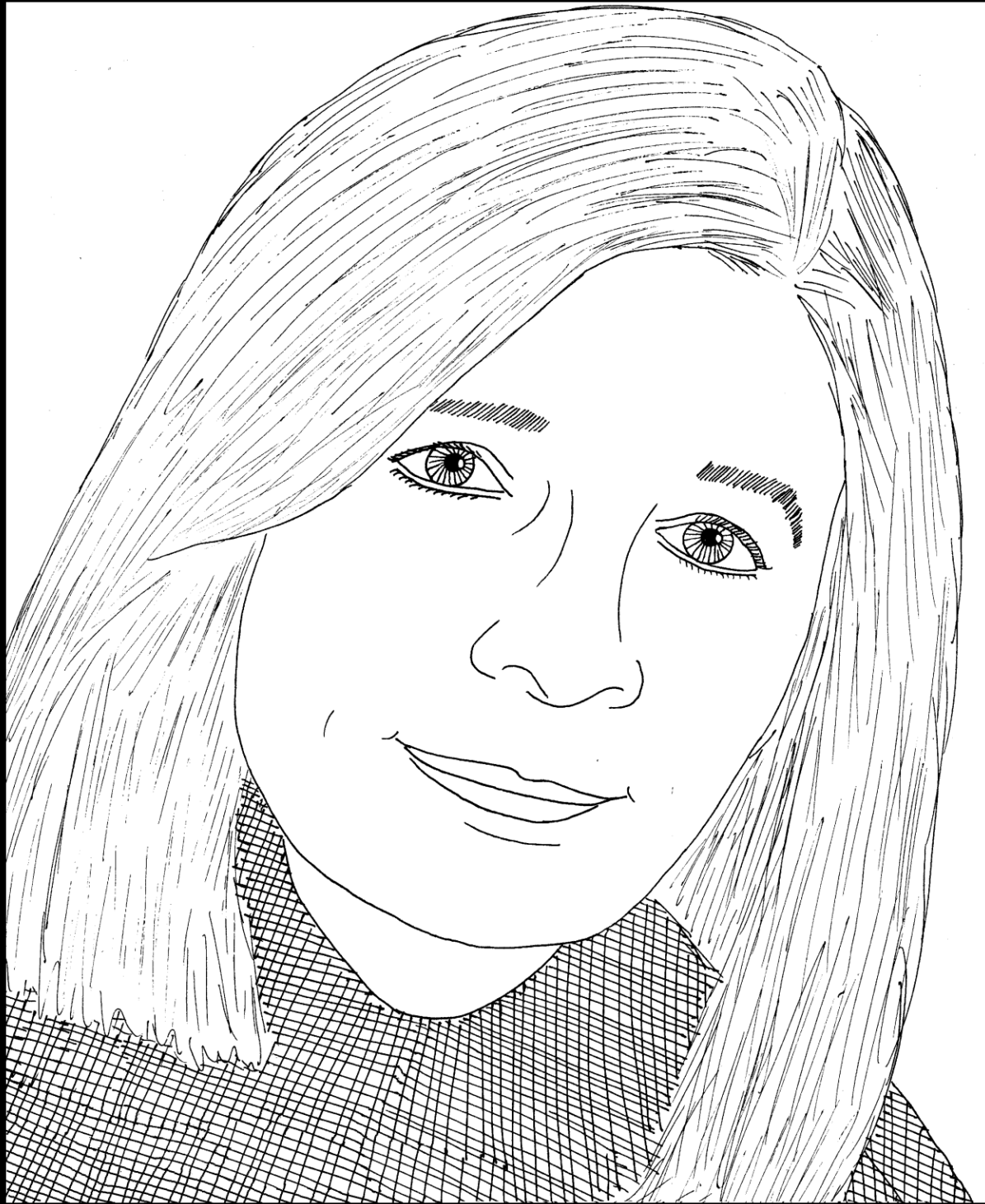
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"Every gun that is made, every warship launched, every rocket fired signifies, in the final sense, a theft from those who hunger and are not fed, those who are cold and are not clothed."

-- Dwight D. Eisenhower

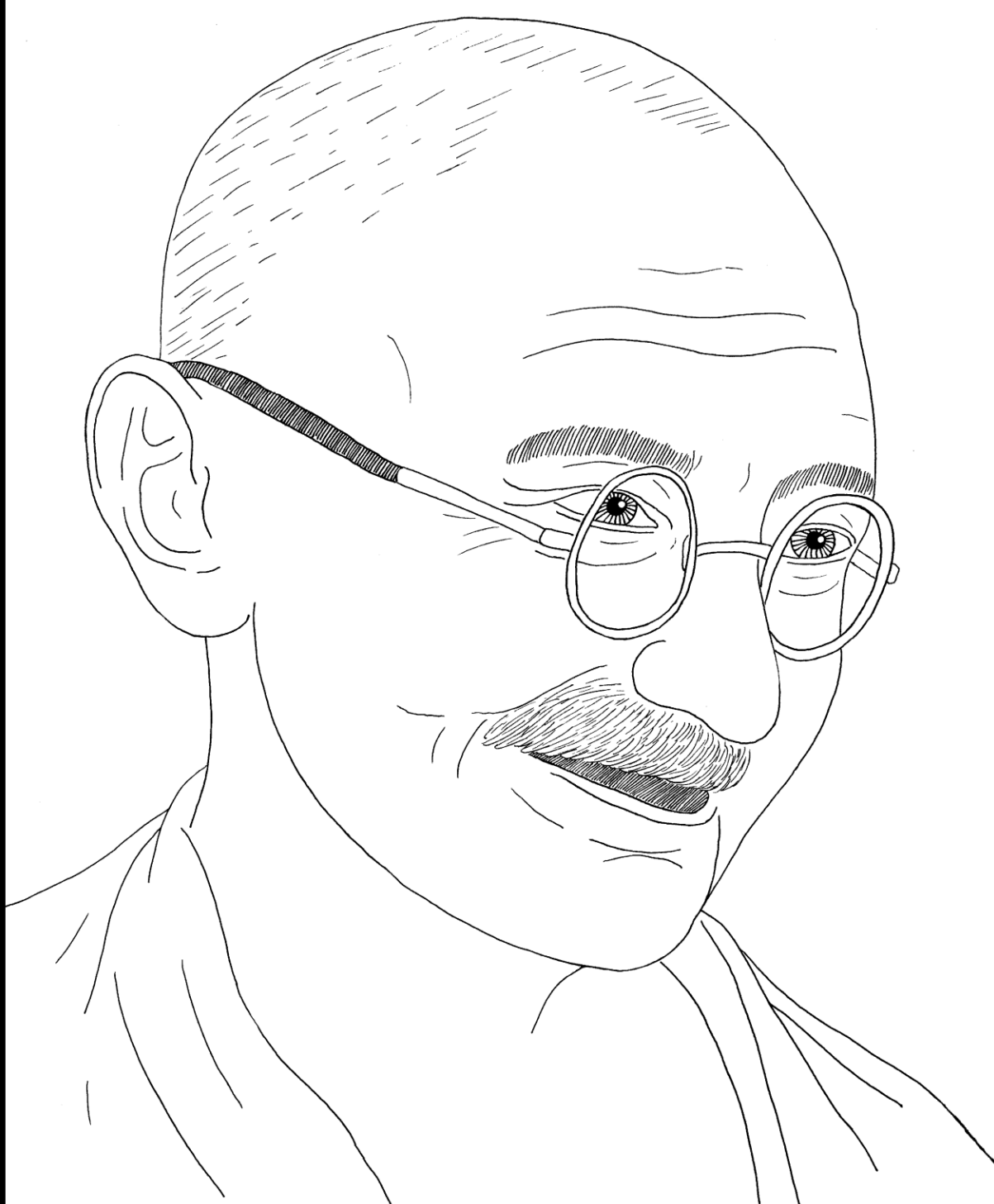
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"Poverty is the worst form of violence."
-- Mohandas Gandhi

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"We're looking at the singular condition of poverty. All the other individual problems spring from that condition... doesn't matter if it's death, aid, trade, AIDS, famine, instability, governance, corruption or war. All of that is poverty. Our problem is that everybody tries to heal each of the individual aspects of poverty, not poverty itself."
-- Bob Geldof

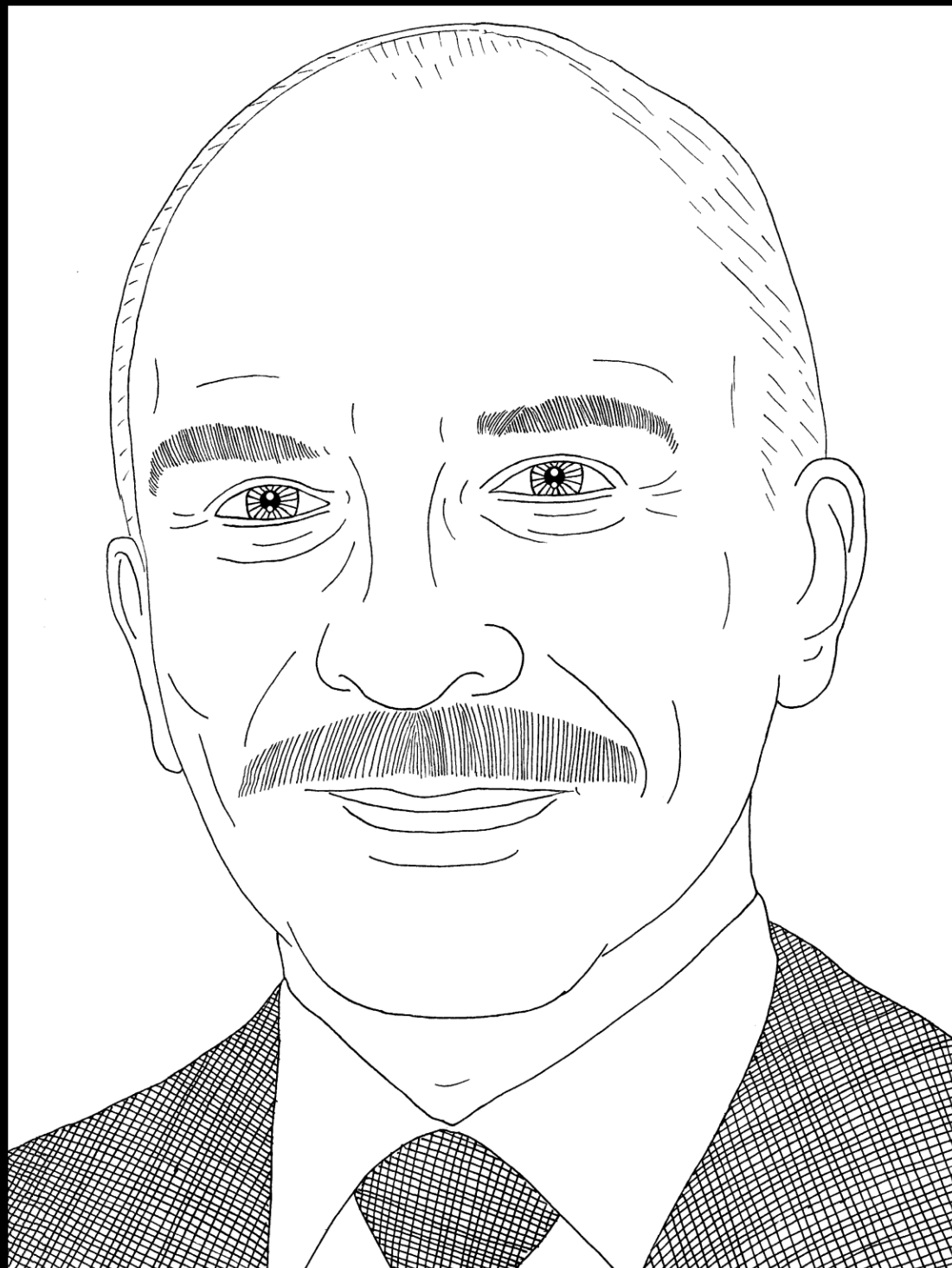
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"Peace, poverty, and backwardness cannot mix in one region."
-- King Hussein of Jordan

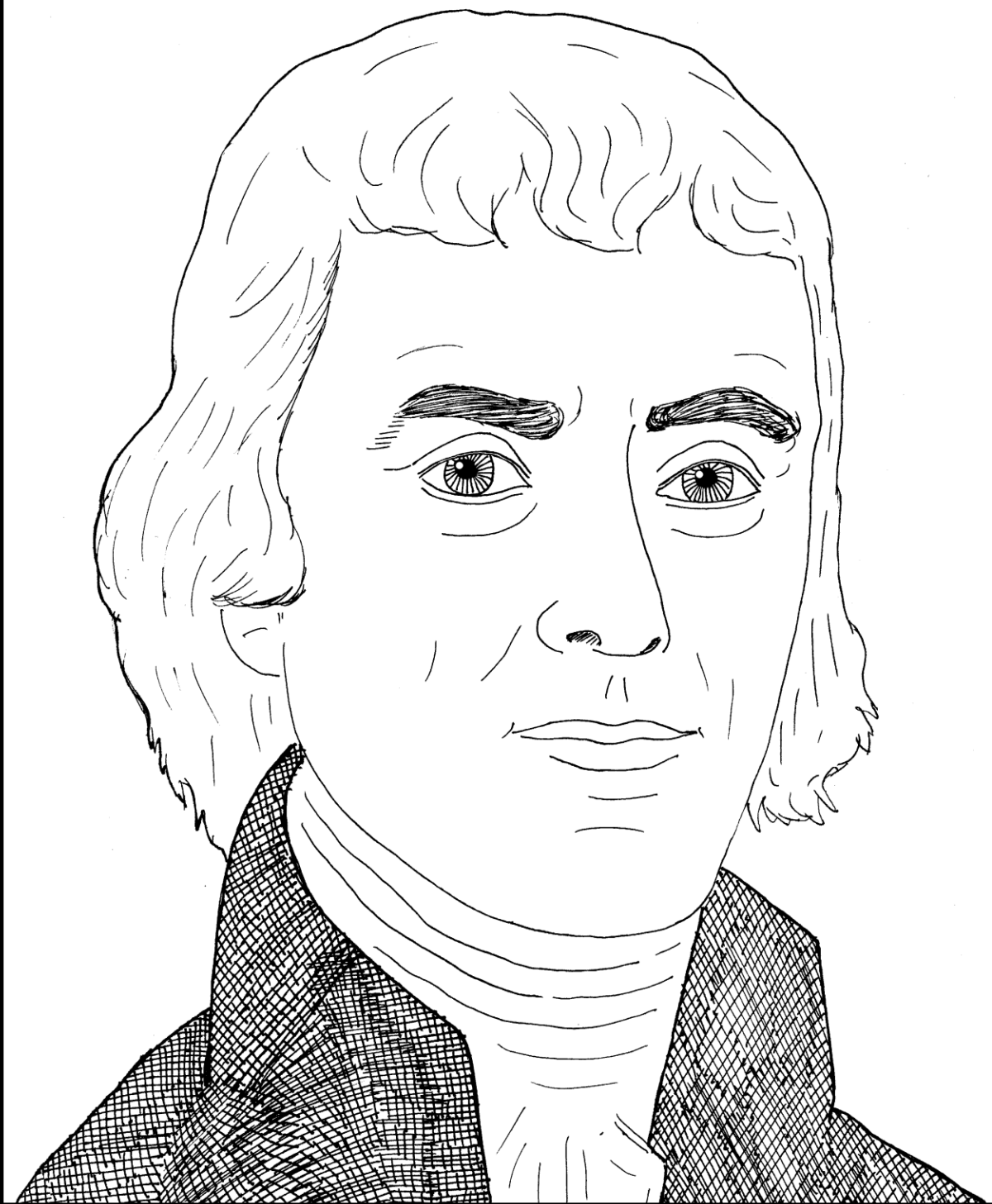
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"Experience declares that man is the only animal which devours his own kind, for I can think of no milder term to apply to the general prey of the rich on the poor."

-- Thomas Jefferson

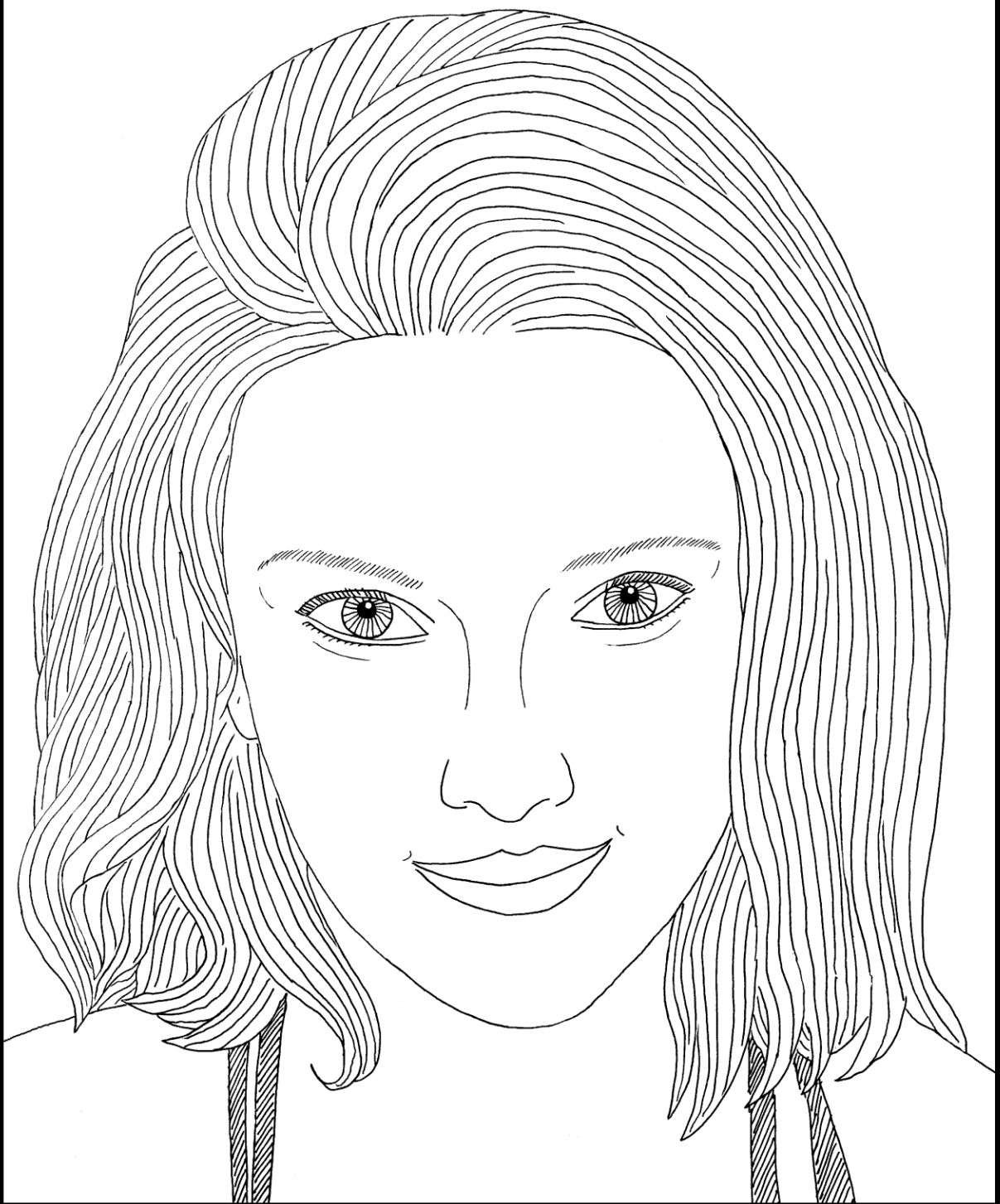
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"Having visited Oxfam-funded school programs in rural communities has made me realise how vital education is to developing countries in bringing people out of poverty and giving them a sense of dignity, self-worth and confidence."

-- Scarlett Johansson

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"The world is very different now. For man holds in his mortal hands the power to abolish all forms of human poverty, and all forms of human life."

-- John F. Kennedy

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-- Robert F. Kennedy**

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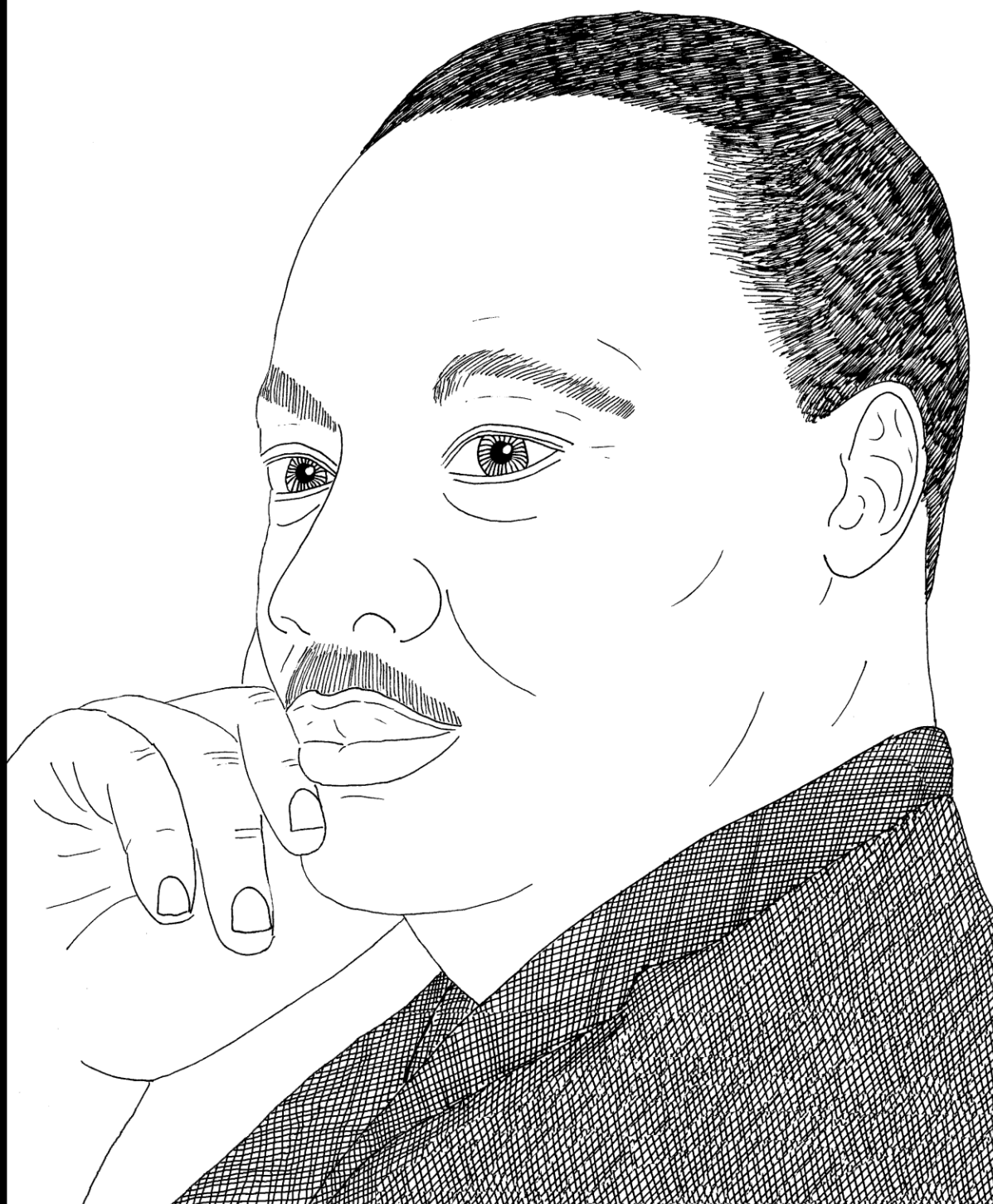
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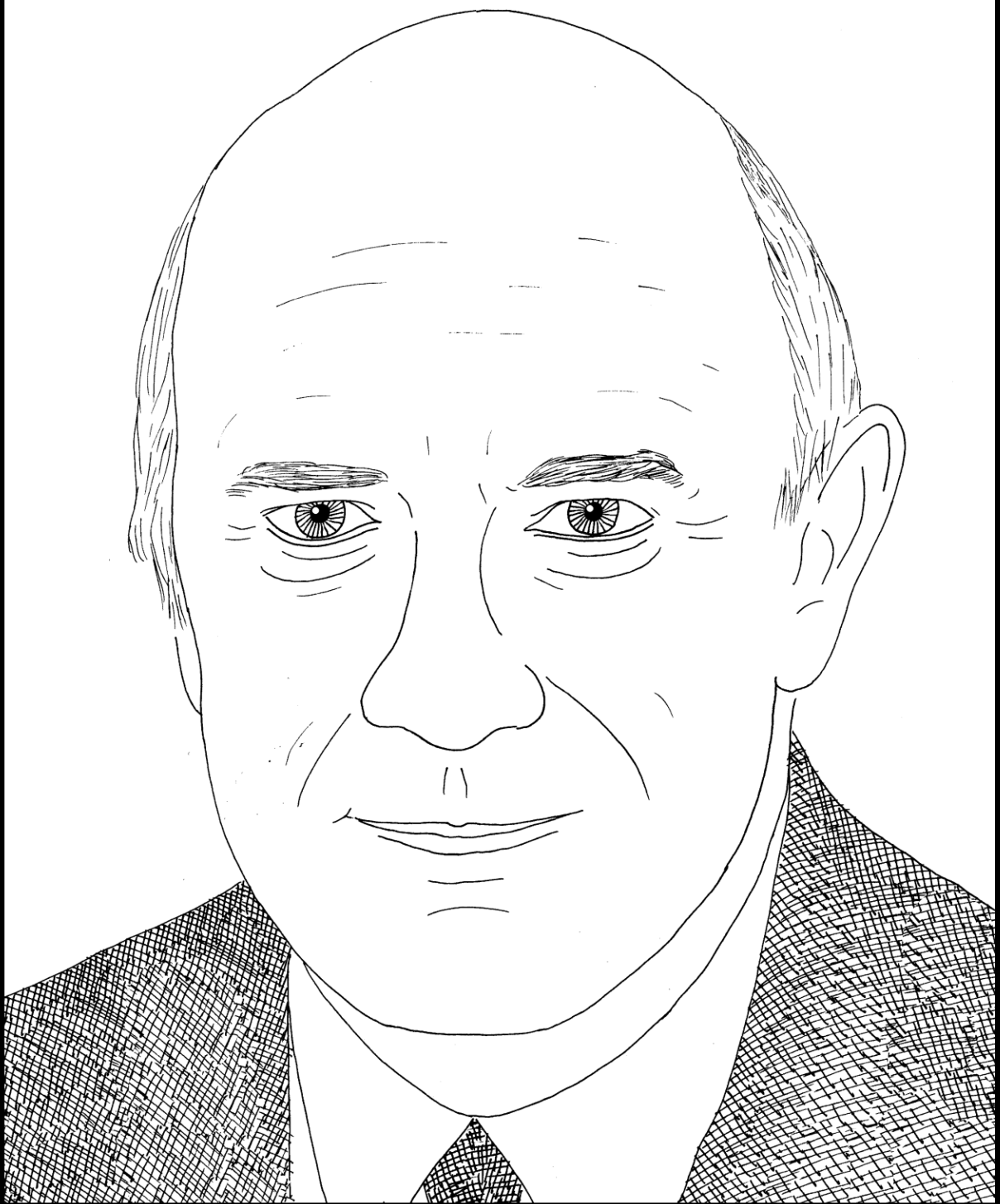
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**"Peace does not fare well where poverty and deprivation reign."
-- Frederik W. de Klerk**

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**"Poverty is a weapon of mass destruction.
Homelessness is a weapon of mass destruction.
Unemployment is a weapon of mass destruction."
-- Dennis Kucinich**

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"Witnessing the extreme poverty in remote parts of Affrica can make you feel sad and powerless until you realize how little it takes to change these people's lives fundamentally in sustainable ways."

-- John Legend

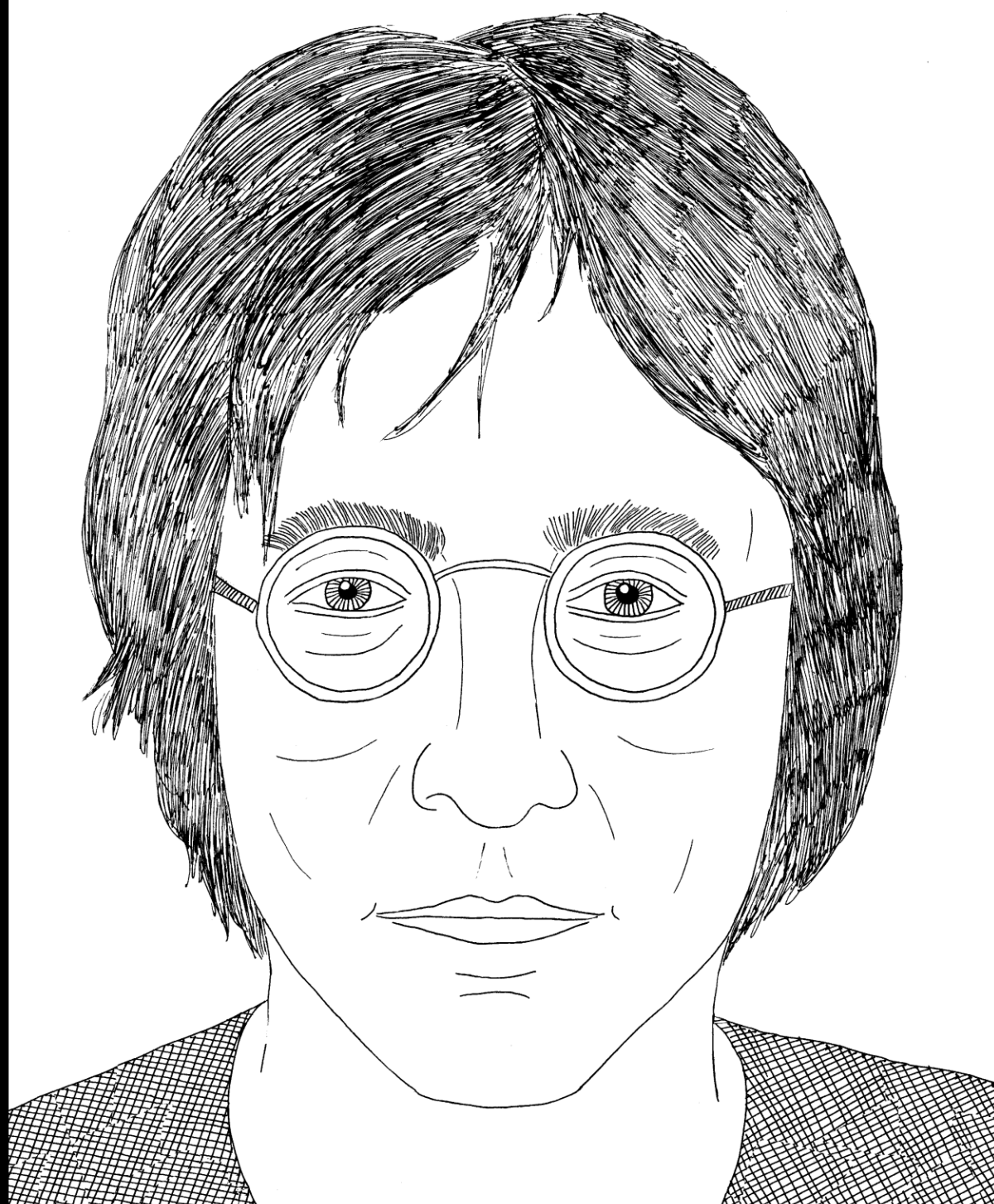
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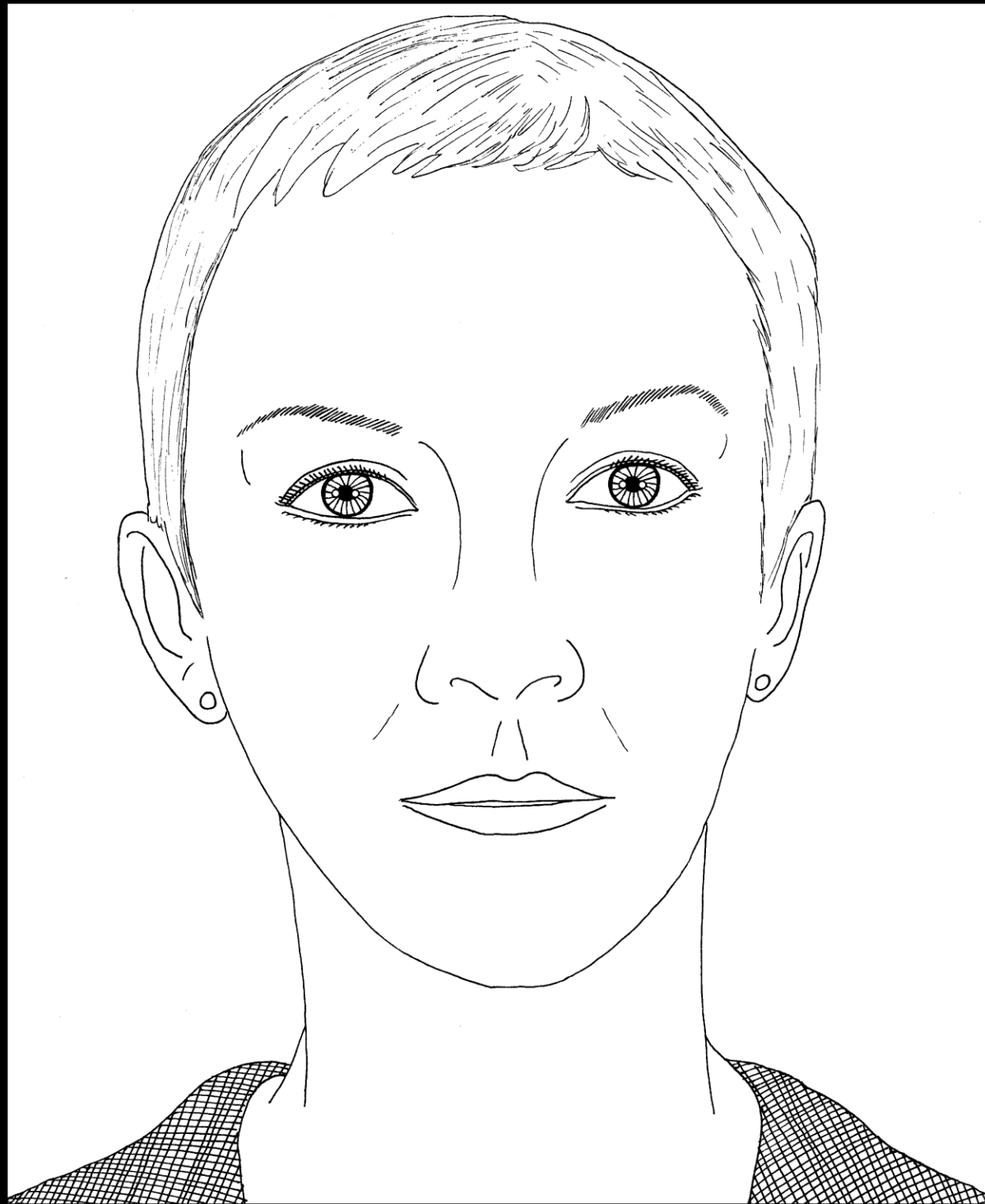
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"Such is the scale and depth of poverty in many parts of the world that it won't be ended overnight. That is why if, like me, you want to see an end to poverty, you need to be in it for the long haul."

-- Annie Lennox

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**"Overcoming poverty is not a gesture of charity.
It is an act of justice. It is the protection of a fundamental
human right, the right to dignity and a decent life..."**
-- Nelson Mandela

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**"Wars are bred by poverty and oppression. Continued peace is possible only in a relatively free and prosperous world."
-- General George Marshall**

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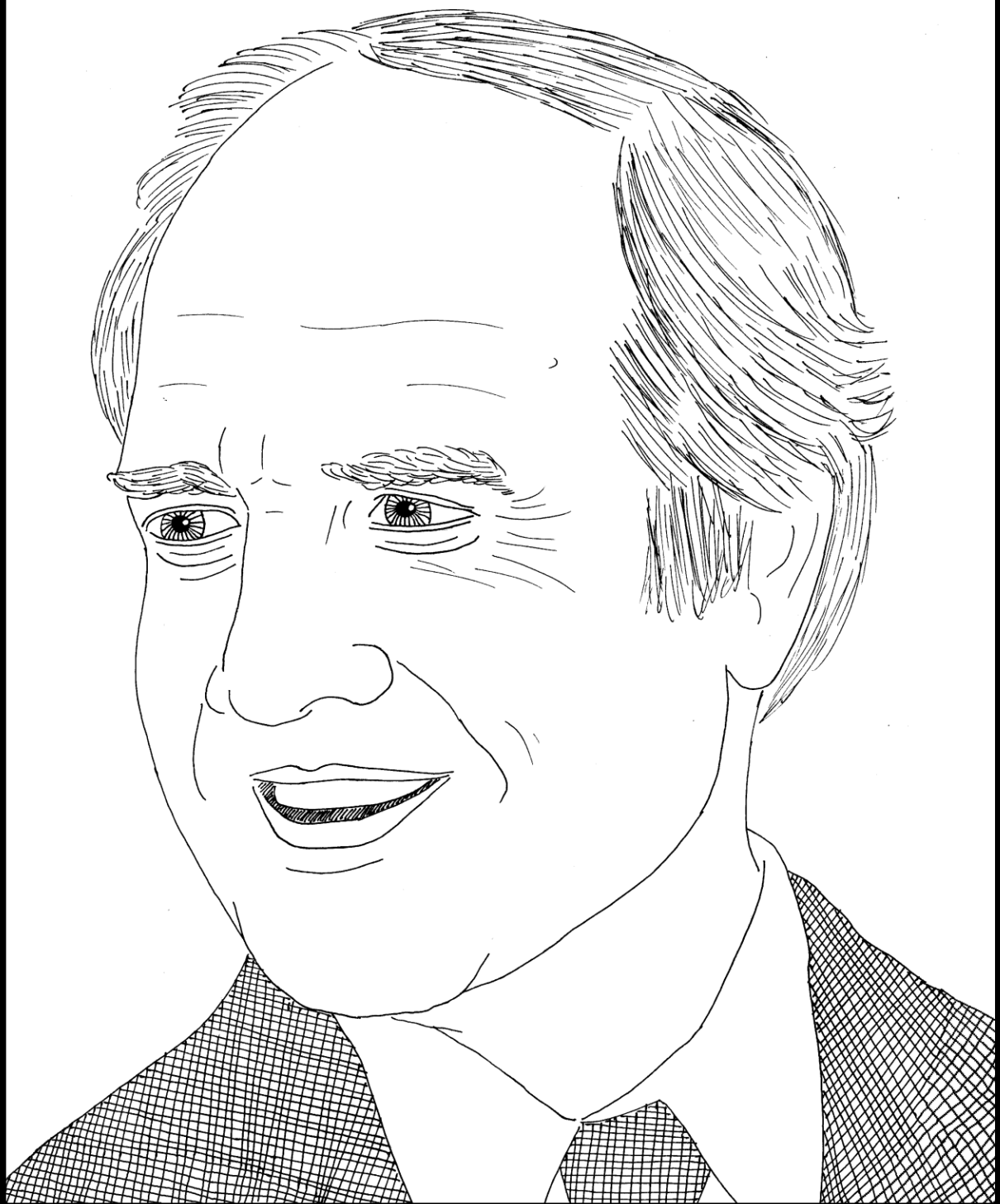
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"Pay attention to the hungry, both in this country and around the world. Pay attention to the poor. Pay attention to our responsibilities for world peace. We are our brother's keeper..."

-- George McGovern

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"The greatest step forward in human evolution was made when society began to help the weak and the poor, instead of oppressing and despising them."

-- Maria Montessori

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"Of course I am frustrated with regard to extreme poverty, to violence that never seems to cease. Greed is the key. It's easy to sit in relative luxury and peace and pontificate on the subject of the Third World debts. Not many of us are willing to give up everything we have. We can however give some, and millions of people do, governments do, but there is so much more to be done."

-- Sir Roger Moore

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"If poverty is a disease that infects the entire community in the form of unemployment and violence, failing schools and broken homes, then we can't just treat those symptoms in isolation. We have to heal that entire community."

-- Barack Obama

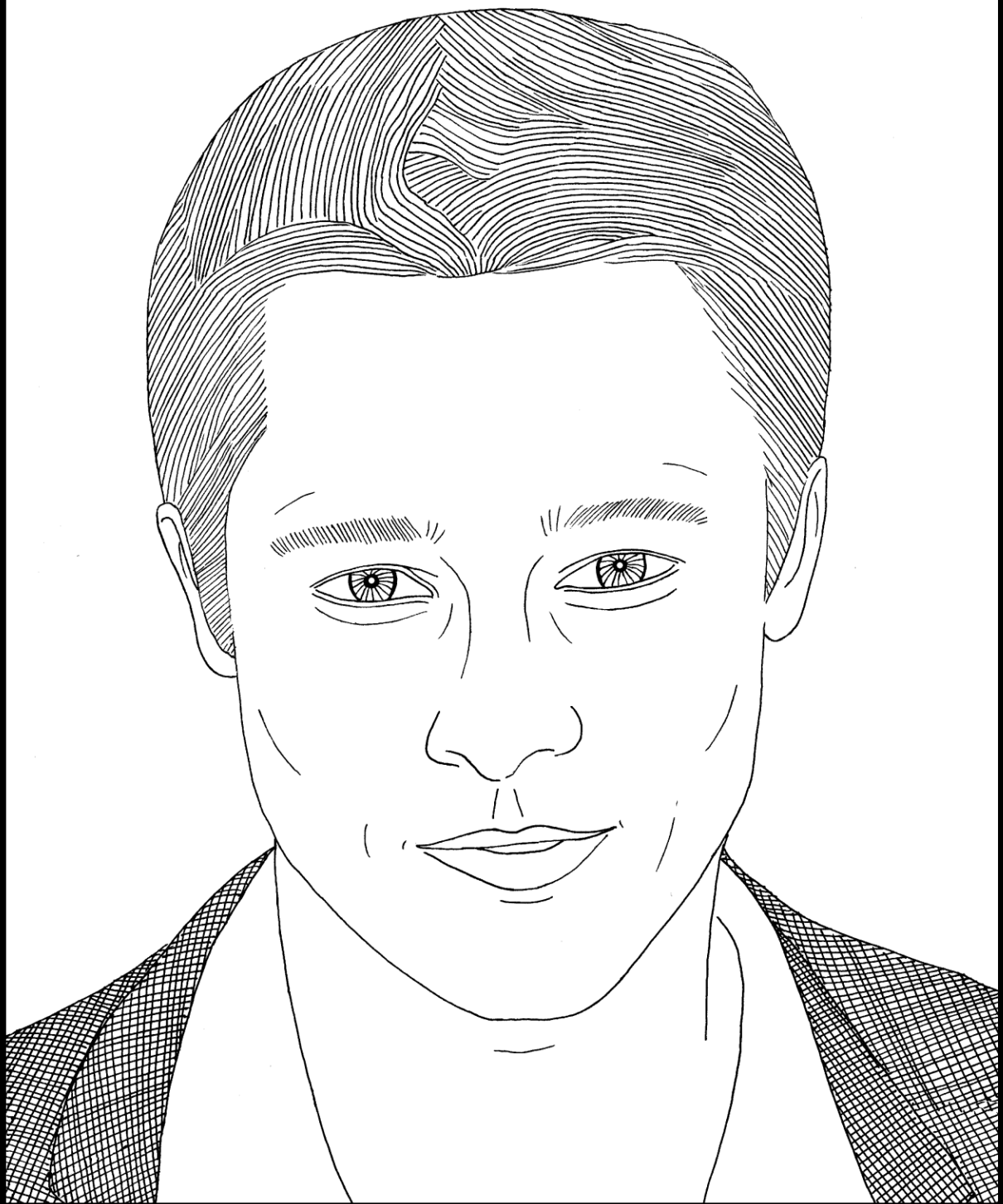
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"By the time this concert ends this evening, 30,000 Africans will have died because of extreme poverty. By this time tomorrow evening, another 30,000. This does not make sense."

-- Brad Pitt

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**"The good news is we have the technology
and the tools to alleviate poverty on a global scale.
All that is standing in our way is education and will."
-- Natalie Portman**

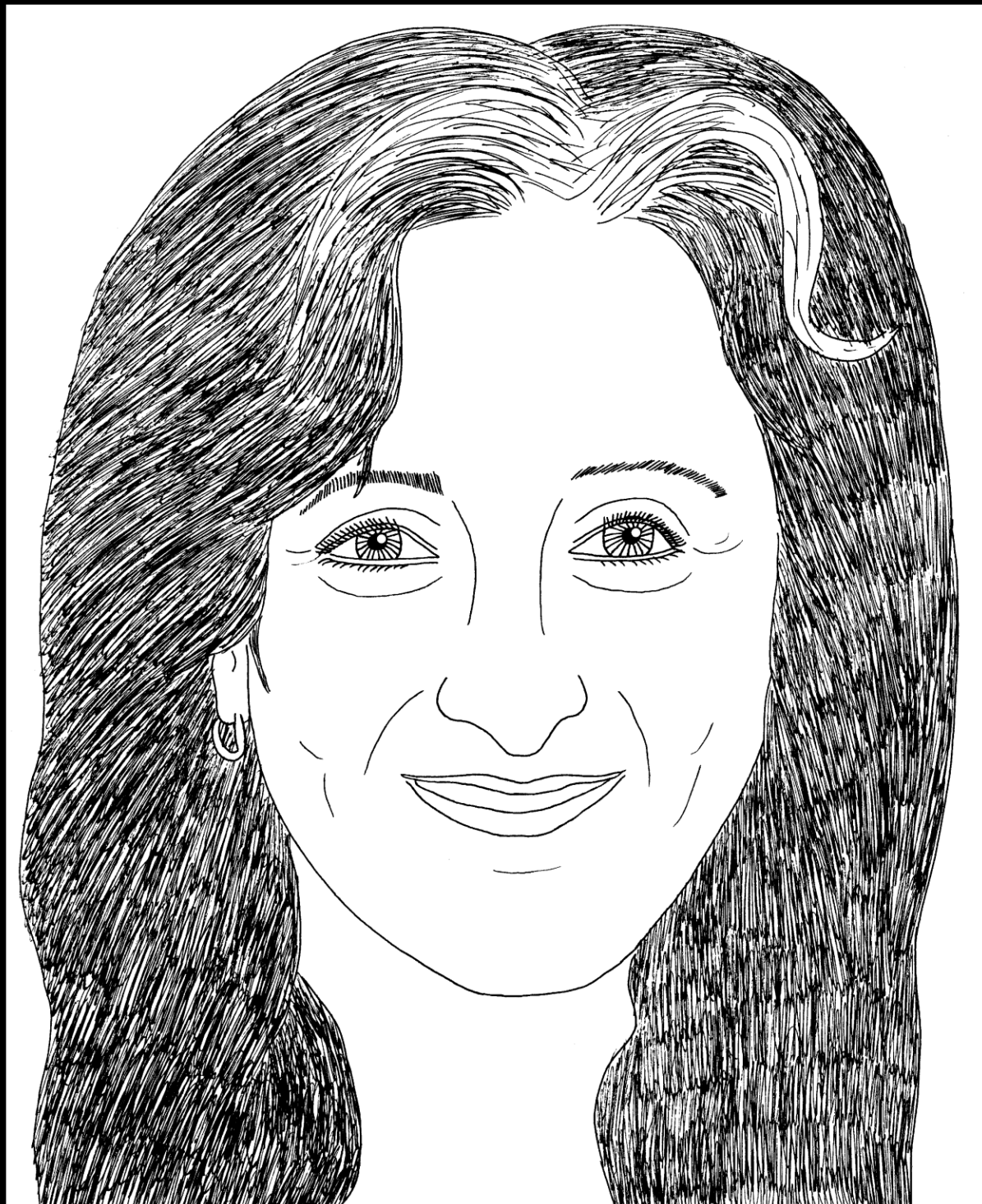
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"How unthinkable that, in a country of such bursting plenty, so many people are facing ongoing hunger and poverty. If we are truly each other's keepers, let's support school lunches, food stamps, neighborhood garden projects, and so many other wonderful programs working to put an end to this cruel and needless blight once and for all."

-- Bonnie Raitt

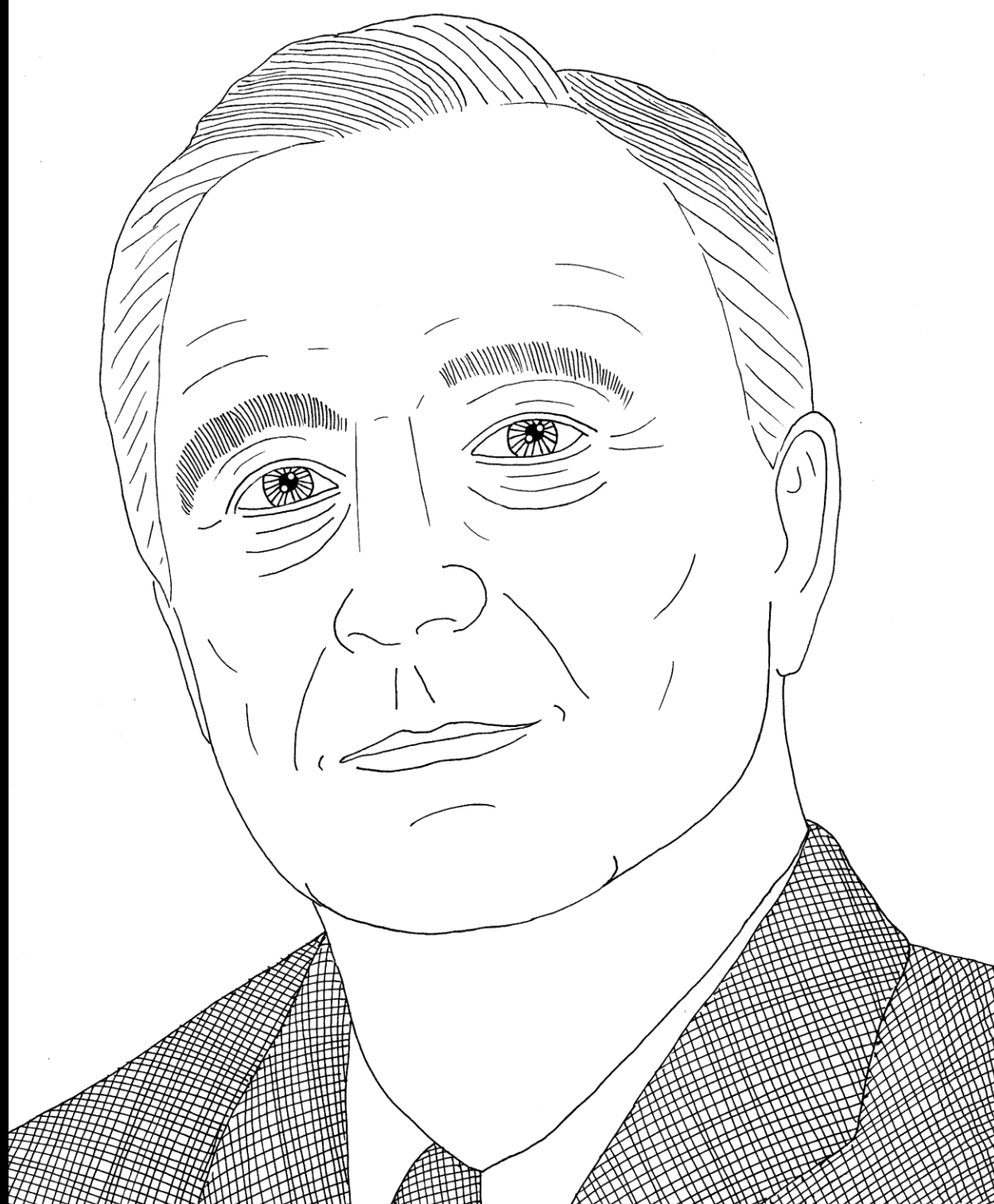
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"The test of our progress is not whether we add more to the abundance of those who have enough; it is whether we provide enough for those who have too little."

-- Franklin D. Roosevelt

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“It’s quite possible to arrive in the year 2030 where people are no longer dying of poverty. We could actually help lead a global end-not a reduction, but an end-to absolute poverty...”

-- Jeffrey Sachs

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"I attempted to see famines as broad "economic" problems (concentrating on how people can buy food, or otherwise get entitled to it), rather than in terms of the grossly undifferentiated picture of aggregate food supply for the economy as a whole."

-- Amartya Sen

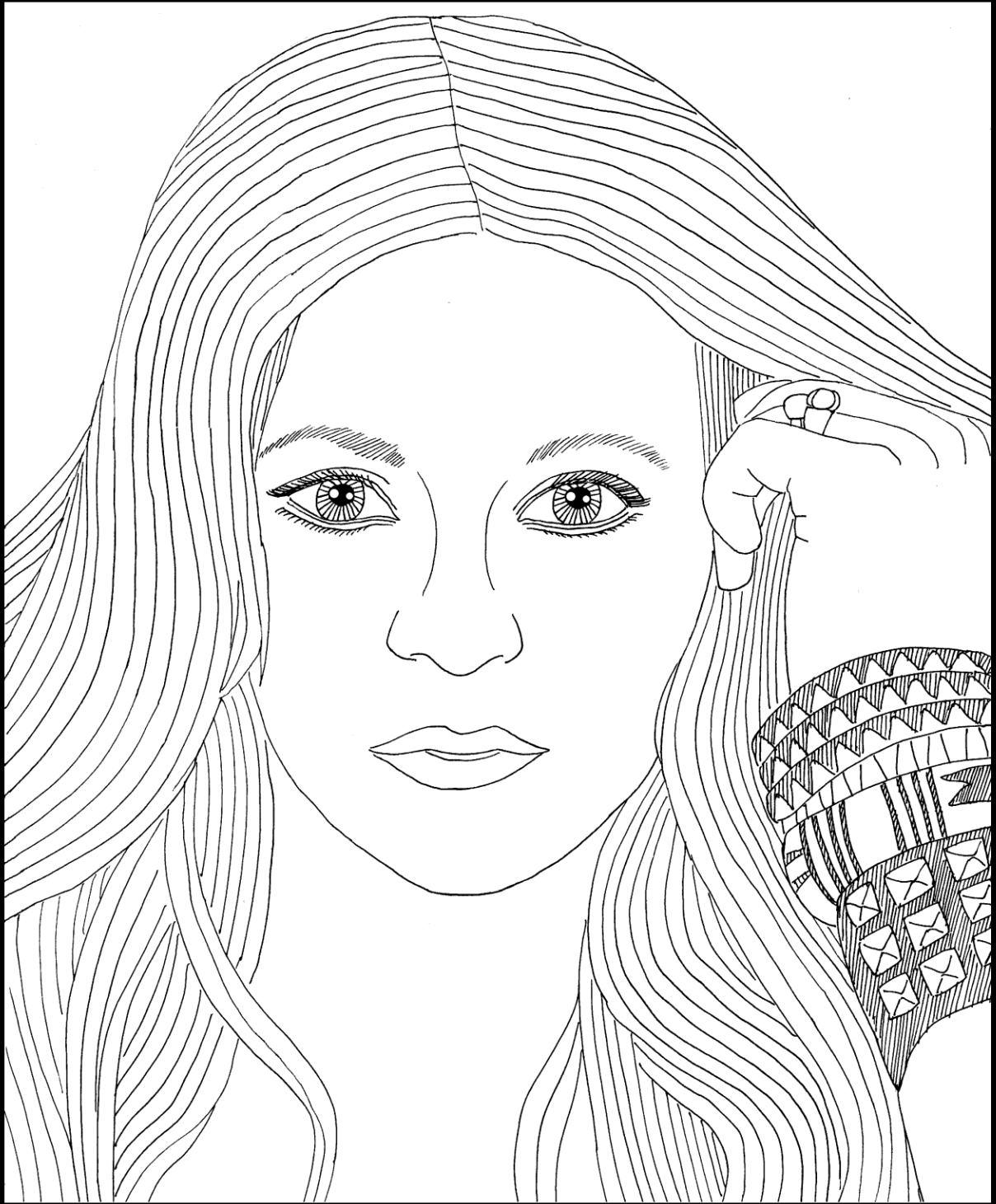
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"We know that many boys and girls leave school because of poverty, because they have to work. However, there are an important number of children who abandon their studies because of the abuses they're subject to by teachers and their own parents."

-- Shakira

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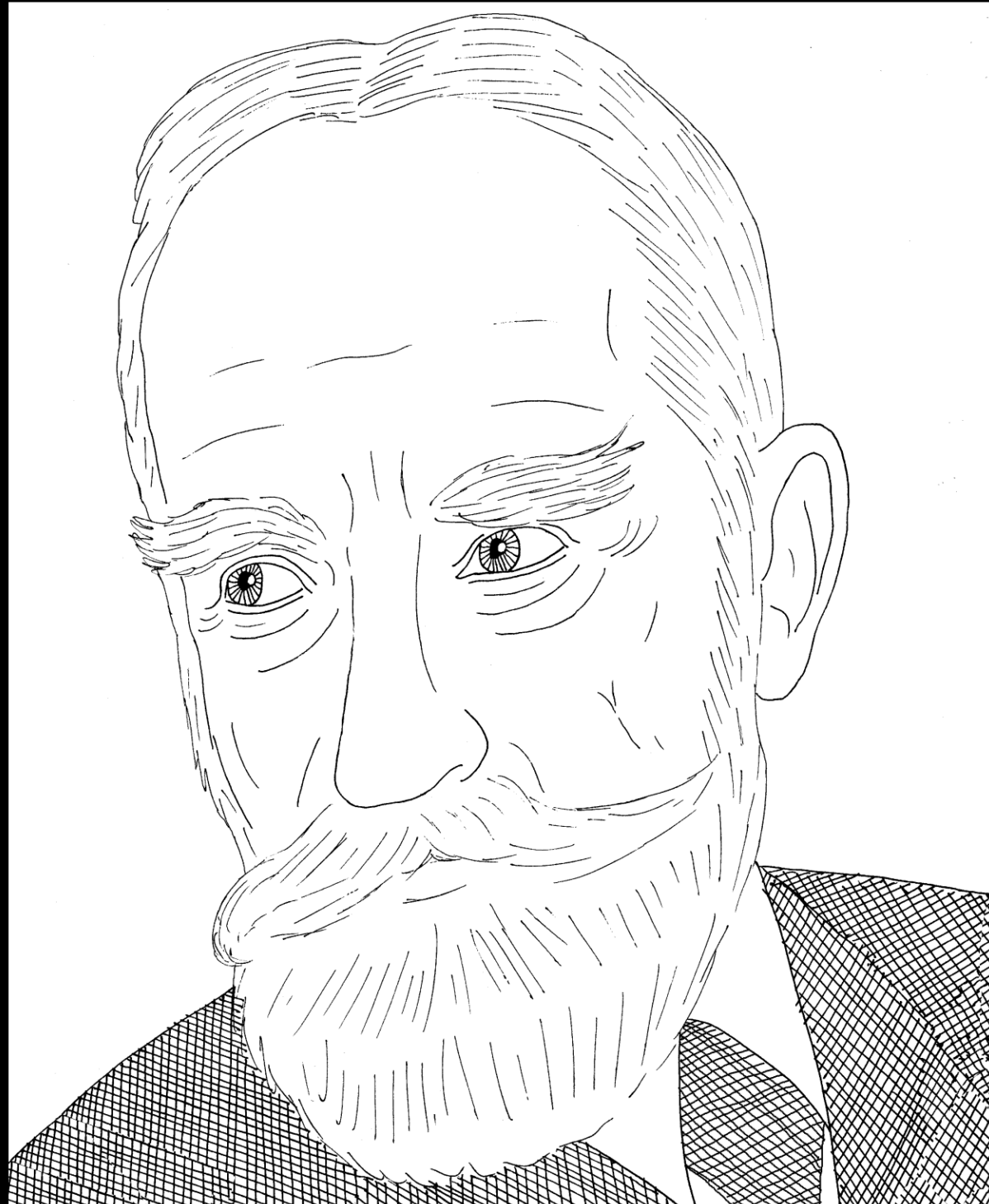
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"The greatest of evils and the worst of crimes is poverty."
-- George Bernard Shaw

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"We think of violence as being conflict and fighting and wars and so forth, but the most ongoing horrific measure of violence is in the horrible poverty of the Third World...and the poverty in the United States as well."
-- Martin Sheen

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"Poverty and lack of knowledge must be challenged."
-- Russell Simmons

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**"Most of the poverty and misery in the world is due to bad government, lack of democracy, weak states, internal strife, and so on."
-- George Soros**

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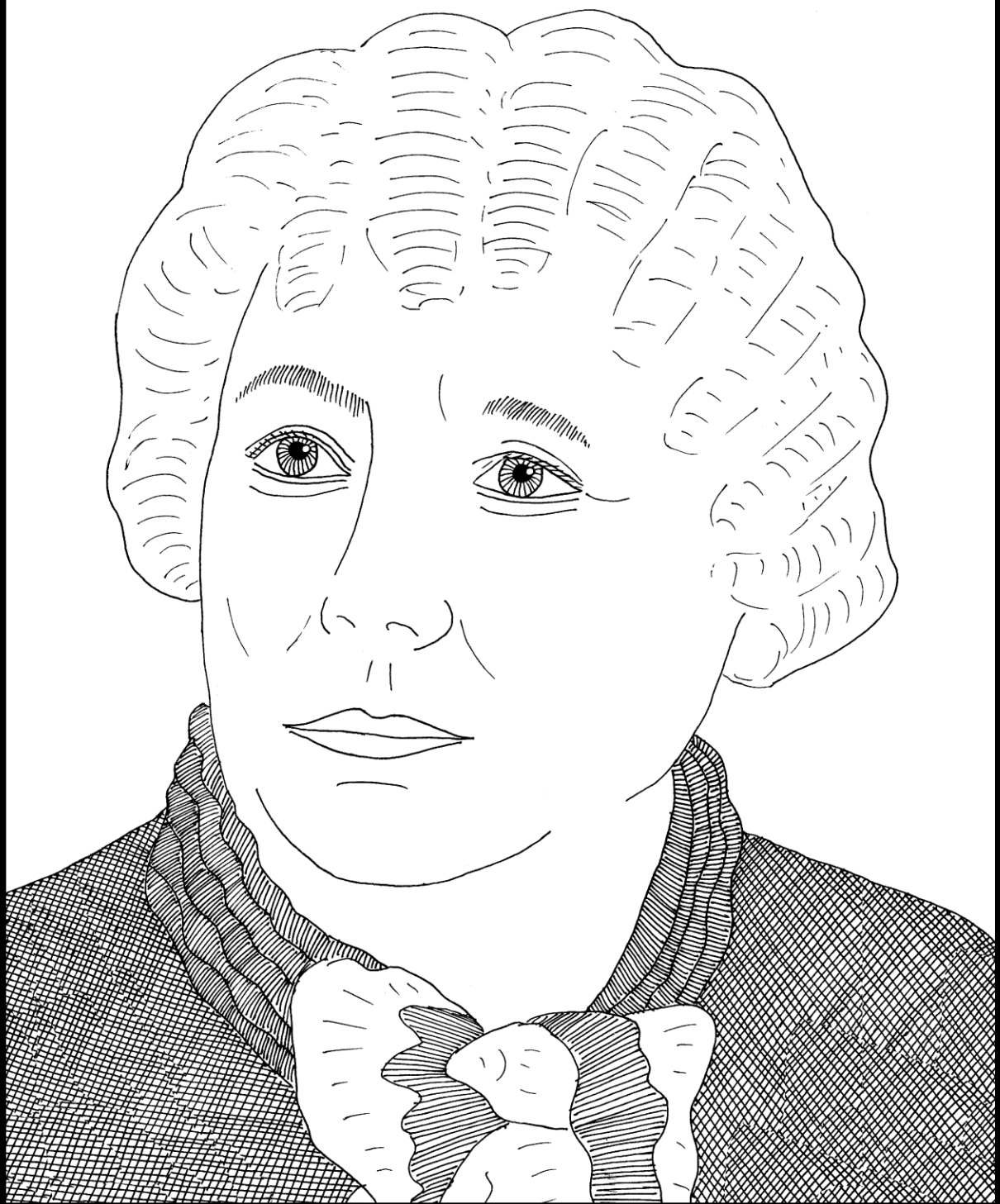
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"I am weary seeing our laboring classes so wretchedly housed, fed, and clothed, while thousands of dollars are wasted every year over unsightly statues. If these great men must have outdoor memorials, let them be in the form of handsome blocks of buildings for the poor."

-- Elizabeth Cady Stanton

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**"It is a poverty to decide that a child must die
so that you may live as you wish."**

-- Mother Teresa

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"There's an awful lot of misunderstanding here about what being poor actually means. I don't think people understand that being poor means you have to work from dawn until dusk just to survive through the day."

-- Emma Thompson

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"...Just a fraction of what is extended so obscenely on defense budgets would make a real difference in enabling God's children to fill their stomachs, be educated, and be given the chance to lead fulfilled and happy lives."

-- Archbishop Desmond Tutu

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"There's a moral convergence happening
among religious leaders on the issue of poverty."
-- Rev. Jim Wallis

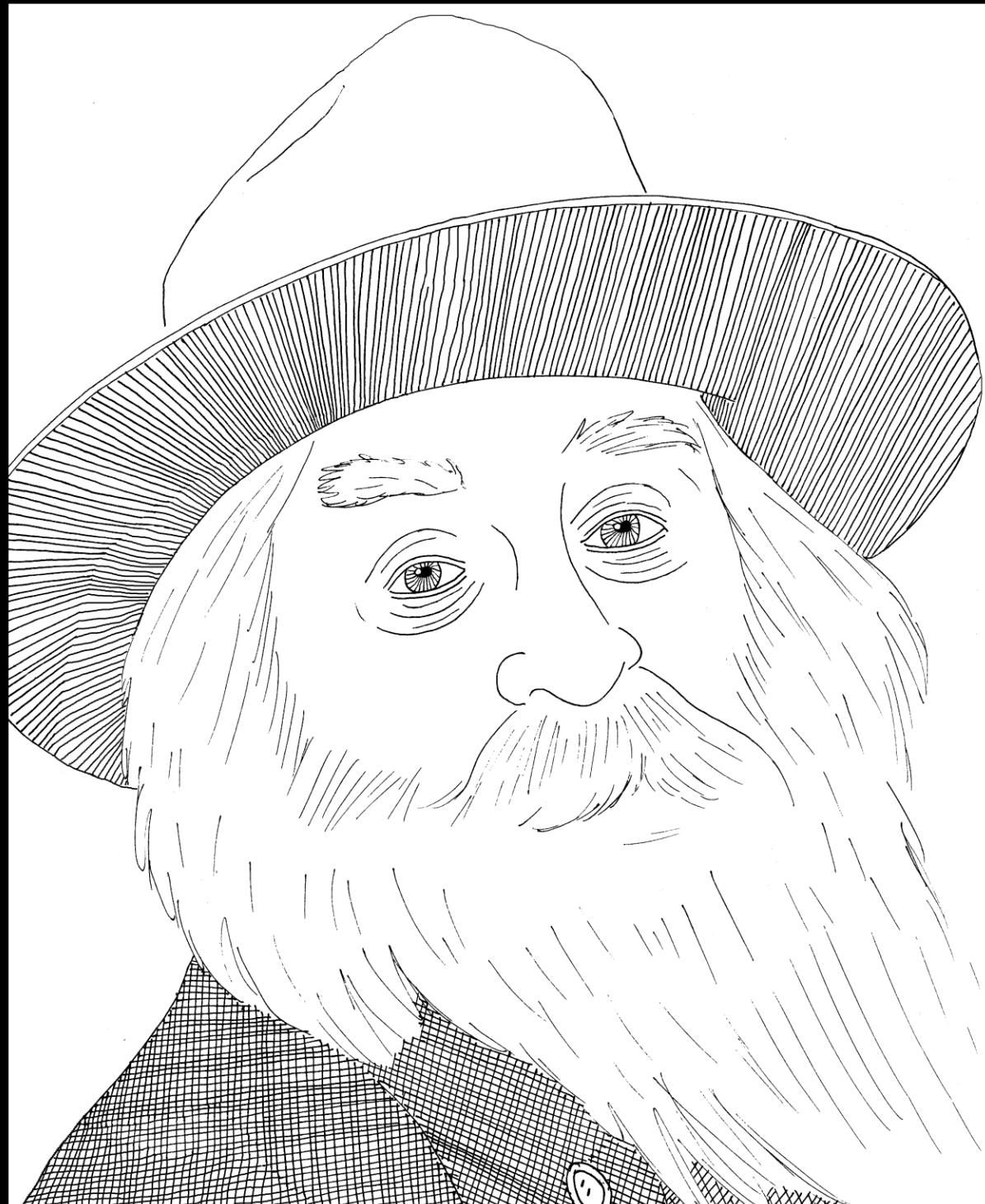
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"What a devil art thou, Poverty! How many desires - how many aspirations after goodness and truth - how many noble thoughts, loving wishes toward our fellows, beautiful imaginings thou hast crushed under thy heel, without remorse or pause!"

-- Walt Whitman

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**"It is not great wealth in a few individuals
that proves a country is prosperous, but great general
wealth evenly distributed among the people..."
-- Victoria Woodhull**

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**"Some people think that poor people are lazy.
Actually, it takes a lot of work to survive when you are dirt-poor."
-- Muhammad Yunus**

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