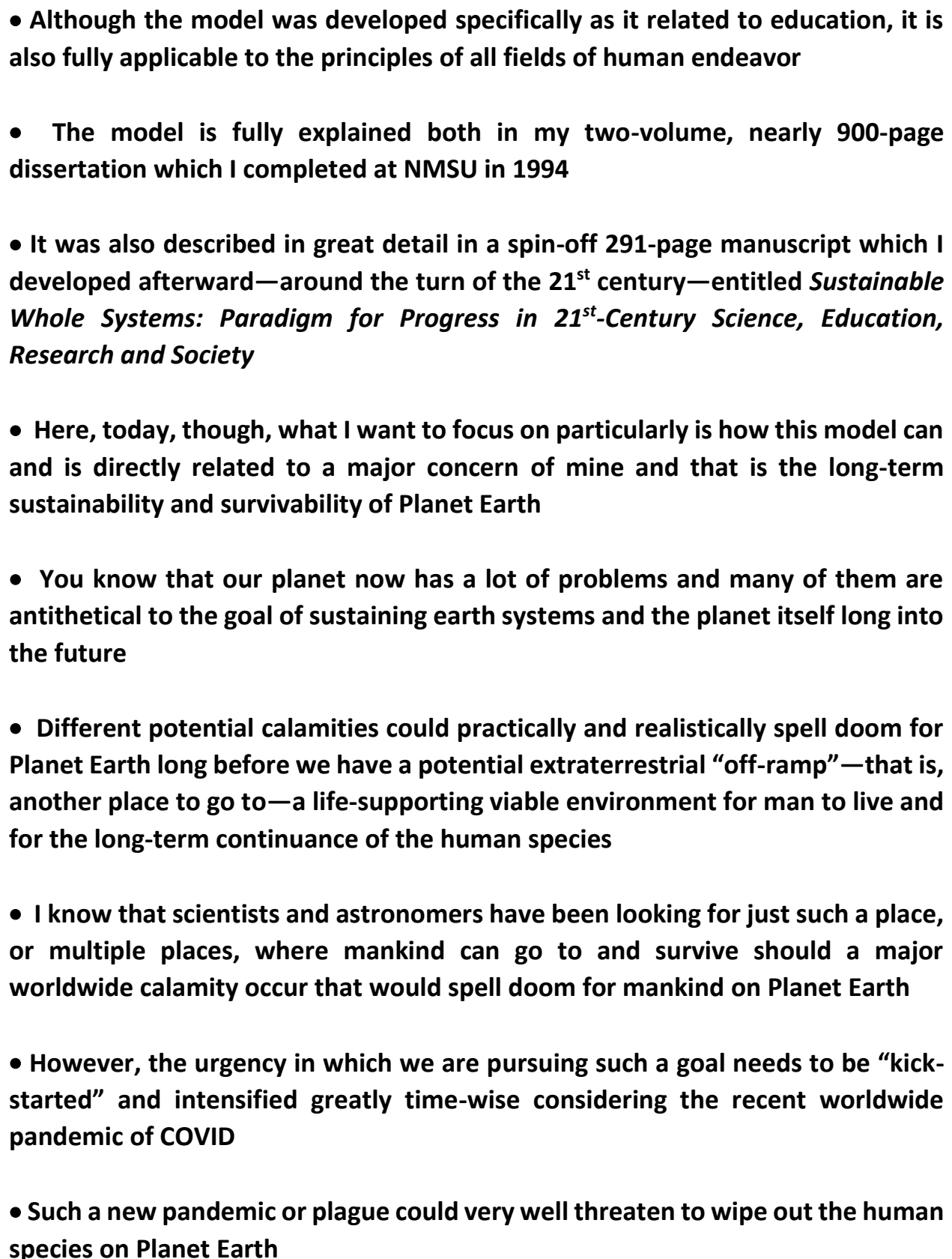


**ROY D. MERRITT FOR U. S. PRESIDENT  
CAMPAIGN SPEECH # 24**

- **I'm Roy Merritt and I'm running for President of the United States in 2024.**
- **I am also running my campaign for Planet Earth as well as for the U. S. A.**
- **I may be the first presidential candidate to make such a mission and slogan as an integral part of his campaign**
- **There are many things that we do on Earth that are not consonant with the long-term viability and sustainability of our planet**
- **For a long time, we have been involved in destroying the ozone layer, for example**
- **I began my professional career as a professional geologist and worked in that field of endeavor and in the mining industry for many years until there came a point where I felt that it was not compatible any longer with my own personal worldview and environmental and ecological philosophy**
- **I did quite a bit of research on my Ph. D. at NMSU from 1990-94 related to global ecology and the principles of sustainable development as they relate specifically to science and environmental education at the secondary level in the 21<sup>st</sup> century**
- **The model that I and my two national panels of experts in science education and interdisciplinary fields developed was consonant with sustainability principles and the long-term survival of our planet and our species—mankind—on Earth**
- **This educational and sustainable systems model was (and is) called the Global, Holistic, Integrated Systems (GHIS) or Biospheric Model**

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- Although the model was developed specifically as it related to education, it is also fully applicable to the principles of all fields of human endeavor
  - The model is fully explained both in my two-volume, nearly 900-page dissertation which I completed at NMSU in 1994
  - It was also described in great detail in a spin-off 291-page manuscript which I developed afterward—around the turn of the 21<sup>st</sup> century—entitled *Sustainable Whole Systems: Paradigm for Progress in 21<sup>st</sup>-Century Science, Education, Research and Society*
  - Here, today, though, what I want to focus on particularly is how this model can and is directly related to a major concern of mine and that is the long-term sustainability and survivability of Planet Earth
  - You know that our planet now has a lot of problems and many of them are antithetical to the goal of sustaining earth systems and the planet itself long into the future
  - Different potential calamities could practically and realistically spell doom for Planet Earth long before we have a potential extraterrestrial “off-ramp”—that is, another place to go to—a life-supporting viable environment for man to live and for the long-term continuance of the human species
  - I know that scientists and astronomers have been looking for just such a place, or multiple places, where mankind can go to and survive should a major worldwide calamity occur that would spell doom for mankind on Planet Earth
  - However, the urgency in which we are pursuing such a goal needs to be “kick-started” and intensified greatly time-wise considering the recent worldwide pandemic of COVID
  - Such a new pandemic or plague could very well threaten to wipe out the human species on Planet Earth

- Additionally, a very large meteorite impact, such as the one that is thought to have wiped out the dinosaurs in Mesozoic geologic time could also theoretically occur at any time in the future that might very well threaten to decimate humans as a species on Planet Earth, if it did not fragment and destroy to oblivion the entire planet itself in the impact
- For these and many other related reasons, I am running as a candidate in 2024 for Planet Earth as well as for the Presidency of the U. S. A.
- There are many things, as I have already mentioned, that are directly related to, and are ultimately antithetical to the long-term viability, sustainability and survivability of Planet Earth and the human species—mankind—into the future
- I have personally been made aware of many of them through the personal treatment—what I now refer to as—acts of terrorism—that my spouse and I have been subjected to over the past three-plus years here in Las Cruces and Doña Ana County, New Mexico
- I guess that it took “beating me over the head with them” so as to pound them into my psyche and mental state enough for me to focus on them enough in order to examine their consonance or lack thereof with the prospect of the long-term viability, sustainability and survivability of mankind and the human species on Planet Earth, and also to practically make them a major focus of my 2024 campaign for the Presidency of the U. S. A.
- I have talked about many of these already in my prior 23 campaign speeches
- I know that I have also been “beating you” here in Terror Valley “over the head” with many of my concerns and issues while attempting to live in retirement, peace, harmony and happiness here in Las Cruces and Doña Ana County, New Mexico
- Among these many issues and concerns relating to the long-term goal of Planet Earth viability, sustainability and survivability that I have already focused on and spoken about in my prior speeches are the following:

**(1) Emigration and immigration, and the movement of people, about the world from different countries and their impacts on the people already living, working, and trying to survive in these particular places. In general, it is my belief that large populations and ethnic groups of people should remain “in situ,” that is, in the places—at least the countries— where they were born until such a time when viable extraterrestrial “off-ramp” options have been found and practical steps have been made as far as transport vehicles to move large segments of Earth’s populace to another place in our galaxy or the universe. I know from first-hand experience that the lack of peaceful co-existence of Hispanics and Anglos here in New Mexico and the fact that civilization itself on Planet Earth, has seemed to stall or even reverse its course since the turn of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. This does not mean that we cannot have smaller groups of people, and families, moving from country to country in order to maximize the goal of mankind’s continued existence and survivability on Planet Earth**

**• Other major issues and concerns which I have previously spoken to you about include the following, in no certain order:**

**(2) What you personally can do for your country and—I have extended this in my campaign to—what you personally can do for Planet Earth, and NOT the reverse. Of course, this theme was initially broached by President John F. Kennedy in his 1969 Inaugural Address**

**(3) All different kinds of pollution and environmental degradation (for example, the greenhouse effect, ozone depletion in the upper atmosphere, and the destruction of the ozone layer), and the many ways in which “environmental terrorism” can and is being carried out here in our city and County, the State, and the country as a whole, and on Planet Earth**

**(4) The human population on the planet and the dissonance in what many are doing with their own family planning and birthing as relates to the numbers of children within a given family unit. Some of the larger-population countries of the Earth, like China and India, have already been focusing on this problem by restricting and limiting the number of children that a given family may have in its unit. Others, like the Catholic Church itself, needs to re-examine how its beliefs clash with the long-term goal of Planet Earth**

management, sustainability and survivability of mankind and the human species. Earth's population has a direct and important role in people's ability to participate and contribute when such programs and affirmative action and discrimination determine whether certain specific individuals—for example, for lack of a better term, "geniuses"—can help to solve some of mankind's growing dilemmas. Additionally, we need to examine the role of growing poverty of certain countries, peoples, and ethnic groups on the planet

- (5) The possibility of different wars between and among different countries and also intra-country civil-war clashes that will harm man's long-term ability to focus on these urgent needs
- (6) The growth of different crops, such as pecans and green chiles here in New Mexico, as industries requiring inordinately large inputs, and ultimately a huge commitment of earth's resources, including water supplies, fertilization, and man-hours of work in their development and harvesting
- (7) Here, in the semiarid region of southern New Mexico, we should also examine the issue and concern of the advancement and encroachment of deserts—including land desertification—as not only a local or regional occurrence but also a worldwide phenomenon that is antithetical to mankind's long-term sustainability and survivability on Planet Earth
- (8) The frivolous use of building materials and other earth resources in decadently building houses and homes that are far beyond our needs or even abilities to manage and take care of long into the future
- (9) The use of fuel and energy resources such as petroleum and coal
- (10) The long-term maintenance of infrastructure, such as highways, bridges and dams throughout our nation and the world
- (11) The role of intra-planet travel in spreading diseases and pandemics like the recent, and still evident ongoing COVID
- (12) And, of course, my consuming issue now and that is inter-ethnic and intra-community squabbles and "wars," and the incessant retributive and reprisal criminal attacks, vandalism, and terrorism that tears at the fabric of towns, cities, Counties, States, and our nation as a whole. There is absolutely nothing that can be said of a positive nature about this, and these societal "wars" must be ended if civilization is to progress and man is able to find a way to "exit" Planet Earth before it is too late

**(13) Problems, issues and concerns related to corporations and industries and how their practices are and can be antithetical to sustainable principles and development, and the continued viability of the planet for human habitation and survivability. Included in this would be the issue of designing and building consumer items such as appliances, vacuums, electronics such as smart phones, TVs, stereos and film formats like CDs and VHS, with expiration dates and premature obsolescence**

- **There are many other planet-management issues that I will likely bring to the forefront in this campaign that could very well impact mankind's long-term viability, sustainability and survivability on Planet Earth**
- **It is certainly time that U. S. presidents and candidates begin to focus on these daunting planet-wide issues as well as directing and managing the humdrum issues of everyday life and living in the U. S. A.**
- **If I am the first to do so, then so be it**
- **Thank you very much and may God bless the U. S. A. and Planet Earth!**