MEATBALL: Hi, it's me Meatball, me and my mom Sarah and I have just been waiting and waiting and waiting for the US presidential election results 2020. And you're not going to believe what Trump's done now as we’re waiting…!

NEWSREADER: Breaking news. Justin Trump's final Executive Order has now been passed as we continue to await the election results. The controversial order is to ban all domestic dogs from homes across the United States. An unnamed source in the White House said, “Woof woof”. And in the first public conflict between father and daughter, Ivanka has shown extreme resistance to her father's order. The hashtag ‘Ivanka is actually a dog’ is trending at number four. More as it develops…

SARAH: We knew the dogs were right, huh Meatball? Poor Ivanka, like your own dad banning you… Do they even talk now? Like, does she go to the White House? Like, what is that relationship to be like? [groans]

MEATBALL: Mom, come out of my crate. Let's play out here, mama.

SARAH: I'm not coming out of the crate at all. I'll tell you that. My dad's going to be right - Trump's going to win again and… [groans]. I can’t. I’m going to stay here in the crate, okay? So you can do what you want to do, but I'm staying here.

MEATBALL: You should talk to your dad about his voice note.

SARAH: No way.

MEAT: Just call him.

SARAH: Come back here! Meatball! Meatballs! Stop! What are you doing?

MEATBALL: Well if you won’t, I will!

SARAH: Give me back my phone Meatball! Please do not call him. Do not please.

MEATBALL: It's ringing.

SARAH: Meatball, what are you doing?

MEATBALL: Talk to your dad. Mama. Mom, come on. Say something.

SARAH: Hi dad. Uh, hi. Uh, I just…I just wanna…someone else wants to talk to you. Okay?

JOHN: Okay.

MEATBALL: Hello?

JOHN: Hello. This is John.

MEATBALL: Hi John. This is Meatball.

JOHN: Hi Meatball.

MEATBALL: I just wanted to talk to you. Do you have a few minutes?

JOHN: I'm okay, go ahead.

MEATBALL: Okay. So I just wanted to know, have you voted?

JOHN: I have.

MEATBALL: How did you vote?

JOHN: I voted for my man Trump.

MEATBALL: Now that Ivanka Trump has turned into a dog and, you know, her dad made this Executive Order to ban all dogs. Do you think he still loves her, even though they don't agree on her being a dog now?

JOHN: You always love your daughter. Yes.

MEATBALL: Even if you don't agree on anything?

JOHN: Absolutely. People are allowed to have difference of opinions.

MEATBALL: Because you and my mom don't agree on anything politically. Do you think that stops you both from, like, emotionally engaging with each other?

JOHN: No. I'm not a Democrat. The Democrats certainly are that way. There's hate - you try to talk to them. And unfortunately they, they get irate and out of hand and, that's got to change. But with my daughter, no, that won't change.

MEATBALL: But does she get irate because she's a Democrat?

JOHN: No, she's not at a far left like a lot of the Democrats are.

MEATBALL: Are you sure about that?

JOHN: No, I'm not sure.

MEATBALL: What would be too far left for you to be not able to love your daughter?

JOHN: Well, I'll love her no matter how far left she goes. I just don't agree with her, that's all. And I'll be sad because if the world goes that way, life in America won't be the same. That's my biggest fear for my grandchildren.

MEATBALL: Mom… She's just real scared about the election. So I don't think she's really up for talking about it.

JOHN: Mmm hmm? Well, I'll tell her to hang in there. Things will work out for the best for everybody as tough as it might be.

MEATBALL: She really doesn't like Donald Trump. If I ever see Donald Trump do know what I'm going to do to him, grandpa?

JOHN: No.

MEATBALL: I'm going to bite him! [barks]

JOHN: You sound like a Democrat right now. All right. Well that's what Democrats do, it’s unfortunate.

MEATBALL: What?

JOHN: You want to change and be kind, Meatball.

MEATBALL: Yeah, but all the Republicans have guns and they're not very nice.

JOHN: Now there's a lot of Democrats that have guns too. Right now. They're more people that bought guns in the last 30 days, because they're concerned about what might happen to this country.

MEATBALL: And who do you think started that? Mr. Trump?

JOHN: No, he didn't Trump. It's not Republicans

[MEATBALL barks angrily]

JOHN: Settle down Meatball

[MEATBALL whines]

JOHN: Have you settled down now? Just remember Meatball, whenever Trump gets in there, the world is going to be a better world. He's a tremendous leader, so you'll be happy with him. So just relax.

MEATBALL: I don't think I'll be happy with him. He'll make a lot of people's lives worse. We’re just sitting here and we're waiting and waiting and waiting to see it. It's just scary. I don't understand how you could support him - he's not a good person.

JOHN: He's a tremendous leader. And that's what we're looking for. He’s leading our country. And he's done so many positive things.

MEATBALL: Don't you think leaders should also just be good?

JOHN: Well, it'd be nice if he was good, but he could be good and not get anything done. So I'd rather have a leader that has some faults as every individual has faults.

MEATBALL: What faults do you think you have?

JOHN: I don't have time to go through all those.

MEATBALL: If you would say one fault you have, what would it be?

JOH [pauses]N: I don't know. You'd be better to ask my, my wife and my children.

MEATBALL: But can't you self-reflect on that a little?

JOHN: I guess I could be a kinder, more understanding person.

MEATBALL: And what do you think makes you be less understanding or less kind? Where's that come from?

JOHN: Well, I guess with less understanding, I, I don't have patience to maybe…I don't know...I'd rather not talk about it.

MEATBALL: Okay. I'd rather not either.

DEBBIE [voice note]: Hey, Sarah. I got your last voice note where you're, you're like doing Meatball’s voice? Yeah, but I'm just a bit confused. Let me know how you're doing. Okay, bye.

Hey Sarah. I'm just actually really concerned now. Please just text me back if you get a second. I tried to call Sam, he isn't answering and yeah, I'm just, I'm just really worried. Hope you're okay.

Sarah, Sarah, come on. Sarah. Sarah? Meatball? Anyone? Meatball? Oh, Meatball…

Hey, Meatball. Hope you're getting out for walks and doing dog stuff. We'd really like to see Meatball. And I was wondering if you wanted to meet up in a park - you probably like parks. And maybe Sarah could come to, and if not, I'll just see you there. Love you, Meatball. Bye.

SARAH: Join us for the third and final part of this podcast where Meatball and I try to make sense and find our way back to reality. After we know who was won the 2020 US selection.