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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Search for Nancy Guthrie; New Video Plea & Intensifying Search]

GEORGE STEPHANOPOULOS: A message to Nancy Guthrie's kidnapper, spring break warning and what a stunning night on the court. The search for Nancy Guthrie now intensifying. Savannah Guthrie and her family released a video overnight —

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STEPHANOPOULOS: — as the FBI sends more manpower and experts in hostage negotiation.

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[ON-SCREEN HEADLINE: Breaking Overnight; Guthrie Family Releases New Video as Search Intensifies]

MICHAEL STRAHAN: But first, we begin with the search for Nancy Guthrie intensifying as Savannah Guthrie and her siblings plead for their mother's safe return in an emotional message. Chief investigative correspondent Aaron Katersky is in Tucson with the latest. Good morning, Aaron.

AARON KATERSKY: Good morning to you, Michael. And five days now since Savannah Guthrie's elderly mother was last seen. She and her siblings are crying out for the woman they say who's light is missing from their lives and addressing the possibility she is being held for ransom.

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KATERSKY: This morning, the heart-wrenching message from Savannah Guthrie and her siblings, choking back tears, pleading for the safe return of their mother, Nancy.

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KATERSKY: Police have said Nancy Guthrie was abducted from her home. In their Instagram post, her children refer to her by name and as a grandmother, encouraging her captors to see her as a person.

SAVANNAH GUTHRIE: Our mom is kind, faithful, loyal, fiercely loving woman of goodness and light. She is funny, spunky and clever. She has grandchildren that adore her and crowd around her and cover her with kisses. She loves fun and adventure. She is a devoted friend. She is full of kindness and knowledge. Talk to her and you'll see.

KATERSKY: In the scaled-down, personal video, the *Today* show host and her siblings are approachable and anguished.

ANNIE GUTHRIE: Mama, if you're listening, we need you to come home. We miss you.

KATERSKY: Their mother is 84 and relies on daily medication she cannot live without.

SAVANNAH GUTHRIE: Our mom is our heart and our home. She is 84 years old. Her health, her heart is fragile. She lives in constant pain. She is without any medicine. She needs it to survive.

KATERSKY: If she is being held for ransom, her children say they are willing to listen and to talk.

SAVANNAH GUTHRIE: As a family, we are doing everything that we can. We are ready to talk. However, we live in a world where voices and images are easily manipulated. We need to know without a doubt that she is alive and that you have her. We want to hear from you and we are ready to listen. Please reach out to us.

KATERSKY: Unverified ransom letters were sent to several local television stations, including ABC affiliate KGUN. Investigators are working to determine if they're legitimate or a cruel hoax.

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KATERSKY: The search is now intensifying with more manpower and new resources. The FBI is sending agents and experts in negotiation and technology. Director Kash Patel is coming to personally oversee the investigation. Investigators returned to the home a dog and put up tape, indicating a crime scene. Overnight, her community prayed for Guthrie's safe return. The sheriff here has said he believes that Nancy Guthrie is alive. He has offered no suspects, though, in connection with her disappearance. The video is invitation to negotiate. Savannah Guthrie and her siblings want proof their mother is alive and find out what it will take to get her back, guys.

STRAHAN: Yeah.

STEPHANOPOULOS: We certainly hope that she is still alive.

ROBIN ROBERTS: Absolutely.

STEPHANOPOULOS: Thank you, Aaron.

ROBERTS: Wow.

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KATERSKY: And good morning again to you, George. Five days after Nancy Guthrie disappeared from her home here, Savannah Guthrie and her siblings posted a heart-wrenching and intentional message, addressing their mother and any possible kidnappers.

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STRAHAN: Yeah and we hope they sure get her back safely. Thank you so much for that, Aaron.