as a Certified Public Accountant brought him much acclaim and he sat on the Board of Regents for 25 years at University of Puget Sound.

He was one of the founders of the Tacoma Foundation and was a major supporter of it.

He was a consultant and service provider with the Weyerhaeuser family, and headed a group of companies he brought together under the holding company name "Comerco." These companies included Alaska Fish Fertilizer, Olympic Stain, Dawson Insurance and 23 other companies. They merged with the Clorox Company and at that time Big Jim, as he is known by his friends, served on the board of directors of Clorox.

Not one to stand on the sidelines, Jim has been a lifelong public activist, working to protect the American way of life and the sacrifices that he and so many Americans have made to protect our freedom.

Jim stands as a testament to the American spirit. Born of immigrant parents from Norway, he made his own way in the world, and made significant contributions to his family and his country. From nothing, he built a corporate network providing high quality careers for thousands of employees and providing valuable services and products to the nation and the world.

We are fortunate to have James R. Paulson as a friend and fellow American.

CONGRATULATING NEW CITIZENS

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure and sincerity that I take this time to congratulate the individuals who will take their oath of citizenship on July 4, 2009. In true patriotic fashion, on the day of our great Nation's celebration of independence, a naturalization ceremony will take place, welcoming new citizens of the United States of America. This memorable occasion, coordinated by the Hammond Public Library and presided over by Magistrate Judge Andrew Rodovich, will be held at Harrison Park in Hammond, Indiana.

America is a country founded by immigrants. From its beginning, settlers have come from countries around the globe to the United States in search of better lives for themselves and their families. The upcoming oath ceremony will be a shining example of what is so great about the United States of America—that people from all over the world can come together and unite as members of a free, democratic nation. These individuals realize the great things America has to offer. They realize that there is nowhere else in the world that offers a better opportunity for success and a good life than here in America.

On July 4, 2009, the following individuals, representing many countries throughout the world, will take their oath of citizenship in Hammond, Indiana: Daniele Giuseppe Manfre, Ugochi Genevieve Okoro, Ilidoro Natanael Nevarez Rivas, Ravindranath Chigurupatl, Leela Rani Chigurupatl, Tran Quynh Nguyen, Miroslav Tepavac, Du Lin, Rosalia Navarrete, Igor Dmitriy Harris, Lubov Mullens, Rogelio Hernandez Plata, Erika Blacburn, Dhanwant Singh Sidhu, Konstantina Andreas Prokopos, Oluwabusola Anuoluwapo Binutu, Jori Beniaminovitch Tsvik, Nelia Prokophievna Repkina, Abdulla Hussein Ahdelqader, Ikram Sharawi, Juan Montoya Garcia, Jesus Loe Baeza, Humaira Sameer Minhas, Maribel Orozco De Loe, Marilyn Vincoy Morana, Anatoly Fedorovich Kolesnichenko, Inna Veniaminovna Borysova, Vesna Balac, Ruchira Shukla, Jacklyn Luong, Joanna Jadwiga Pierce, Rolee Khurana, Nikoleta Maginas, Yousef Shurri Qarbeit Al Armani, Said Yousef Musleh, Mohammed Ben Wanes, Juan Jose Lopez Moreno, Milena Losic, Alma Laura Nunez, Ramadan Amzai, Jose Antonio Garcia Guzman, Dao Chieu Anh Hui, Yasmeen Mohammd Yaseen ShreeiQun, Kamila Hendzel, Natalia Pelc, Truc Phuong Thi Lai, Katarzyna Jowita Przybyla-Kelly, Tanja Ognenovska, Suwit John Sangkaratana, Chirag Patel.

Though each individual has sought to become a citizen of the United States for his or her own reasons, be it for education, occupation, or to offer their loved ones better lives, each is inspired by the fact that the United States of America is, as Abraham Lincoln described it, a country ". . .of the people, by the people, and for the people." They realize that the United States is truly a free nation. By seeking American citizenship, they have made the decision that they want to live in a place where, as guaranteed by the First Amendment of the Bill of Rights, they can practice religion as they choose, speak their minds without fear of punishment, and assemble in peaceful protest should they choose to do so.

Madam Speaker, I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to join me in congratulating these individuals, who will become citizens of the United States of America on July 4, 2009, the day of our Nation's independence. They, too, will be American citizens, and they, too, will be guaranteed the inalienable rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. We, as a free and democratic society, congratulate them and welcome them.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. CALVERT. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding an earmark I received as part of the House-passed version of H.R. 3082, the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, Fiscal Year 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman KEN CALVERT

Bill Number: H.R. 3082

Account: Military Construction, Air Force Reserve

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: March Air Reserve Base, Riverside, CA

Address of Requesting Entity: March Air Reserve Base, 610 Meyer Drive, Riverside, California 92518–2166

Description of Request: I have secured $9,800,000 for the Small Arms Firing Range, March Air Reserve Base. It is my understanding that the funds will be used to construct an adequately sized and configured small arms firing range which is required for training and maintaining the standard of current Air Force preparedness. The project also includes office space, classrooms, and equipment with fire protection and security alarm, lightning protection and explosion proof electrical which would bring the facility up to current force protection standards. The existing firing range was built in 1942 and is sub standard as a training facility. It is located approximately 5 miles away from March ARB and creates security, safety, and health and maintenance problems. Without funding the current facility will deteriorate further and will not be able to meet the training and readiness requirements of the base. Security, health and safety will be a concern and may cause the existing firing range to shut down. The range closure will seriously impact the small arm training, Force Protection and Personnel Combat Arms requirement for Reserve and National Guard units.

HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF LIEUTENANT CLAUDE FRISBIE, AFTER 35 YEARS

HON. JIM GERLACH

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. GERLACH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a dedicated public servant from Chester County, Pennsylvania has retired after a 35-year career with the West Whiteland Township Police Department.

Lieutenant Claude A. "Friz" Frisbie was among the first police officers hired when West Whiteland established its department in 1974. After courageously serving his country during two tours in Vietnam with the 101st Airborne Division, Lieutenant Frisbie was eager to play a leading role in the newly-formed West Whiteland department.

He supervised the Patrol Division and directed operations, coordinated training, and provided scheduling for four patrol teams. One of Lieutenant Frisbie's first initiatives was creating a Traffic Unit to address the substantial traffic issues in the Township and to better serve its citizens.

Lieutenant Frisbie's valor and professionalism in the line of duty have earned him several Commendations of Merit, Heroism and Bravery. He also has earned the respect of his peers and served as mentor and source of inspiration to younger officers.

Lieutenant Frisbie's remarkable career and accomplishments will be celebrated on Friday, July 17, 2009 during a dinner at the Downingtown Country Club.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me today in praising the outstanding service of Lieutenant Claude A. Frisbie, and all those who take an oath to serve and protect their communities.

RECOGNIZING THE SUNSET BAY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY NO. 1

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. HIGGINS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Sunset Bay Volunteer Fire