EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

Mr. BILIRAN. Mr. Chairman, it is my understanding that the hearing will not begin until 10 a.m. I will yield to the gentleman from California.

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the achievements of Phillip Burg, a resident of Apple Valley, California, located in the heart of the 40th district. Phillip, a truck driver with Roadway Express for over twenty years, recently drove his two millionth mile. To put this in perspective, the average car driver would have to travel around the world eighty times to equal this milestone. And Phillip has driven that distance without a preventable accident.

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Sixty-one years old, Phillip has seen it all: America’s giant cities and small towns, open plains and towering mountains, farms that seem to go on forever and city skylines lit up against the stars. He’s driven in every kind of weather imaginable in order to get the job done. Phillip has driven that distance without a preventable accident.

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