

CHANCELLOR BERGLAND
RETIREMENT

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSEY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 15, 2010

Mr. VISCLOSEY. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I stand before you today to honor Dr. Bruce Bergland and to wish him well upon his retirement from his position as Chancellor of Indiana University Northwest. Dr. Bergland's many years of service in the field of education have had a tremendous positive impact on numerous students and educators within the community of Northwest Indiana and across the nation. In honor of Chancellor Bruce Bergland, a retirement reception was held on Tuesday, June 15, 2010 at the Savannah Center located on the campus of Indiana University Northwest in Gary, Indiana.

Dr. Bruce Bergland's professional career began with his passion for education. His truly impressive resume reflects his many years of service in numerous capacities within the collegiate education field across the United States. Following his graduation in 1966 from Iowa University, where he received a Bachelor's degree in psychology, Bruce went on to pursue his doctoral degree in counseling at Stanford University. After graduating in 1970, Dr. Bergland took a position at Northwestern University and became the Assistant Professor of Education and Psychology. Bruce's career then led him to the University of Colorado at Denver, where he served in numerous capacities from 1972–1995. His many positions during his tenure included: Executive Vice Chancellor, Interim Dean, Vice Chancellor for Planning, and Associate Professor of Education. In 1995, Dr. Bergland decided to move on and became the Executive Vice Chancellor and Professor of Psychology at the University of Hawaii, West Oahu. Next, in 1997, Bruce's career led him to Trinity College in Vermont, where he served as the Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Professor of Basic and Applied Social Sciences, and Academic Dean.

Chancellor Bergland started his tenure as Chief Executive Officer at Indiana University Northwest (IUN) on July 1, 1999. Dr. Bergland's main goal from day one was to develop a "shared vision" for the university by reaching out to faculty and students, as well as community and business leaders, in order to develop a strong sense of the economic and cultural needs of IUN. Chancellor Bergland has successfully maintained this steering committee which provides a continuous effort for the future growth and development of the university. Among his many accomplishments at IUN, Bruce has also initiated the Diversity Programming Group, established the Office of Institutional Research and the Office of Contracts and Grants, initiated IUN's participation in the Academic Quality Improvement Process Accreditation, and established a new College of Health and Human Services.

Additionally, Bruce selflessly gives of his time to the community of Northwest Indiana and has been involved in the following civic activities: Northwest Indiana Quality of Life Council, South Shore Arts, Urban League of

Northwest Indiana, Lake Area United Way, Boys and Girls Clubs of Northwest Indiana, Tradewinds, Gary Educational Development Foundation, Mayor's Hall of Fame Advisory Committee, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Northwest Indiana Empowerment Zone, Northwest Indiana Forum, and University Club.

Madam Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in commanding Chancellor Bruce Bergland for his lifetime of leadership, service, and dedication to the institution of education. He has touched the lives of countless students and educators, as well as many citizens of Northwest Indiana through his civic endeavors. For his true service and uncompromising dedication, Chancellor Bruce Bergland is worthy of the highest praise, and I ask that you join me in wishing him well upon his retirement.

THE SACRIFICES OF THE SPECIAL FORCES

HON. LARRY KISSELL

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KISSELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor one of our Nation's greatest military resources, the Special Forces. These brave patriots routinely endure harsh conditions in very austere environments to defend our Nation's freedoms.

I was fortunate to have met Bert Caswell. Bert is a Congressional Visitor Center Tour Guide and has a heart for the military and our wounded warriors. Immediately after the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, Bert began using his gift of poetry to help comfort those who mourn.

Soon after, Bert decided to write poetry for the military and wounded warriors to commemorate their sacrifices.

I was particularly impressed with a poem he wrote in honor of the United States Special Forces. These quiet professionals live by the motto of "for, by, and through." They proudly serve at the point of the Nation's military operations conducting a wide range of missions in support of the country they love.

Today I ask my colleagues to recognize the tremendous sacrifices of America's Special Forces with Bert Caswell's poem.

THE SPECIAL FORCES

IN HONOR OF THE UNITED STATES SPECIAL FORCES

All Across Our Nation, People Sleep Well . . . All Because of Such Men, of Such Strength and Such Faith Then, Whose Time is Served in Hell . . .

All across our Nation . . .

People sleep well!

All because of such men of faith . . .

Whose fine hearts do swell!

Men of such Strength In Honor . . .

Who spend such time in Hell!

All in the defense of our Nation . . .

Such a fine equation, of great men I do tell!

Of such persuasion, who without hesitation!

Our Nation, so bless well!

Who shall not fail!

The noblest of now!

For all in times of war . . .

There are but only those, who insure . . .

The Very Bed of Freedom, all the more!

Who do what must be done!

These Fine Shining Sons!

All out upon their heroic ways, what they have done!

Proven and Prepared!

Vigilant, as there . . . they are ready to achieve!

All in what their fine hearts, so believe!

For there are such Forces . . .

Who can change the very course this, of a war!

Who, all in the dead dark of night . . . our Freedom so ignite . . .

As they so enforce this!

Men of Courage, Men of Might! Standing Strong, Standing Tall! Ever bright!

Answering, our Nation's, most solemn call!

Who so come and leave, and so scorch this!

Who all in times of war. . . . "FEAR" as they so divorce this!

As are heard . . .

ALL OF AMERICAN'S, BRAVEST OF ALL VOICES!

All in the midst of hell, are but our Special Forces . . .

Who so make, the most courageous of all choices!

The United States Special Operations Forces!

ALL IN THE DARK DEAD OF NIGHT . . .

ONE HELL OF A SIGHT!

As all through their MOST magnificent veins . . .

Their heroic blood, so courses!

Oh what a sight. OH WHAT A FORCE, THIS!

A TEAM OF SUPERMEN!

SOMETHING, YOU JUST CAN'T COMPREHEND!

THE UNITED STATES SPECIAL FORCES . . .

The kind of guys, Batman . . . wishes he could be!

A Tour of De Force This, so complete!

The very Centurions of The Free!

Jumping from the air, coming out of the seas . . .

Strength In Honor, all in what they believe!

Men of Might, Men of Faith, whose Brave Hearts will not wait . . .

As the impossible, they achieve!

Almost like make believe!

As they will not wave!

Burning Bold, Burning Bright!

Bringing a better day, all in this fight!

With, but their shining hearts . . . rising to new heights!

With Hearts full, of Courage Burning Bright!

Like From Heaven sent, Freedom's Angels, who avenge!

Fighting the darkest, and the most vilest of all men . . .

From where our freedom, so starts . . . and so begins!

Day or Night, the most brilliant of all sights . . .

As all those wrongs, they right!

All for one, as their fine hearts ignite!

Burning Bold, and Burning Bright . . .

To Win That Battle, That Fight!

Crashing through walls, as their hearts of steel will not pause!

Jumping from the sky, almost as if they could fly . . .

Jumping from buildings high, and the trees . . .

All so at ease, ready to die!

Yea, Superman . . . aint got nothing on you . . .

Terminators, who are Freedom's creators!

Making The Enemy, Feel Their Disease!

America's Who's Who!

All for The Home of The Brave, and The Free!