



Media Advisory

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USCIS to Present 10 Children Certificates at Old Sacramento Schoolhouse Museum

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will present 10 young people with certificates of citizenship on July 1. USCIS's Sacramento Field Office conducts these ceremonies much like naturalization ceremonies, in an effort to make the day memorable for the young recipients and their families, even though the children have already derived citizenship from a parent.

In observance of the Fourth of July, USCIS chose a fun and historic setting for this event. The 10 children will receive their certificates at the Schoolhouse Museum on the 28-acre National Historic Landmark District known as Old Sacramento. California's Undersecretary of Education Kathryn Radtkey-Gaither, will issue the children and their families a special welcome, and USCIS Sacramento Field Office Director Michael Biggs will lead the children in their oath.

Participants range in age from 3 years old to 14, and originate from the following seven countries: Philippines, Pakistan, Mexico, Vietnam, Poland, China and Singapore.

WHO: Kathryn Radtkey-Gaither, Undersecretary of Education, California
Michael Biggs, USCIS Sacramento Field Office Director

WHEN: Thursday, July 1, 2010, 10 a.m.

WHERE: Old Sacramento Schoolhouse Museum
1200 Front Street
Old Sacramento, CA 95814

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NOTE: USCIS has contacted the families of these young people, and has chosen some talented communicators for your crew to interview, in advance of or at the ceremony. Please contact Ms. Rummery for details.