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December 4, 2009

Ms. Janet Napolitano  
Secretary of the United States Department of Homeland Security  
c/o Frank Wilson  
ATTN: Chaudhry vs. Napolitano  
United States Attorney's Office  
920 W. Riverside Ave, Suite 340  
Spokane, WA 99201

Dear Ms. Napolitano and Mr. Wilson:

I am writing this letter in support for Mr. Muhammad Zahid Chaudhry's application for naturalization.

Mr. Chaudhry entered the United States on a visa in 2000. After settling in Yakima, Washington, he met and married his wife Ann. He enlisted in the Washington National Guard serving on active duty for Operations Iraqi Freedom in 2003. He was excited and proud to be a member of the National Guard. In 2006 he was honorably discharged for medical reasons and is now 90% disabled and confined to a wheelchair.

While serving in the Washington National Guard, Mr. Chaudhry spent numerous hours volunteering for the American Red Cross and the fire department. He supervised youth at Red Cross charity events in Yakima, and at the American Red Cross Leadership Camp. As a volunteer firefighter, he took this responsibility very seriously and was always willing to help those who needed help.

Mr. Chaudhry has proven himself as an asset to the community by being willing to serve in the United States Military and volunteer in various organizations. As his case moves forward, I hope that consideration will be given in his request for naturalization.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charles Ross".

Charles Ross  
State Representative  
14<sup>th</sup> Legislative District