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Time	Transcription
00:10	[Test screen]
00:11	Female speaker: Yeah, I didn't know that. I'm checking on it [unclear] where is it.
00:15	Male speaker 1: Christine gave the VHS copy of this. When I drop the camera off, should I order a copy?
00:21	Male speaker 2: Yeah... yeah... Nice camera.
00:28	Male speaker 1: Hm?
00:29	[Parade, Vic Fazio and Earl Prichard waving in car. Sirens, cheering, announcements over loudspeaker]
01:38	American Legion representative: This is an American Legion certificate of appreciation, certificate of appreciation. It is a great privilege to present Congressman Vic Fazio, in recognition and sincere appreciation of outstanding service and assistance which contribute to the advancement of American Legion programs and activities, dedicate [unclear] department of California. Signed [unclear].
02:03	Vic Fazio: That's great, you guys. Thank you very much. I appreciate it.
02:06	American Legion representative: Congressman, we're glad to have you as our Grand Marshall.
02:07	Vic Fazio: I'm honored.
02:08	American Legion representative: We appreciate what you've done [unclear].

	Now, if you could just [unclear] at the VA down there [unclear]
02:14	Vic Fazio: You're doing it!
02:15	American Legion representative: [unclear]
02:17	Vic Fazio: Well, I want to tell you that, first of all, I'm greatly honored to be your Grand Marshall. You know, politicians don't get these honors much anymore. We get dishonors. This is really something I'll always remember. But I want to also indicate to all of you that we are focused on how we move up the timeline to get that facility built at Travis right next to the Air Force hospital at David Grant Facility. We think it should be a carbon copy, right next door. We've already shaved a year off the time, down to '98. We want to get it down to '97. We know that people from Martinez can't wait forever. I just want to introduce all of you to a fellow named Earl Prichard, who's a good friend of mine. Earl is somebody who really oughta be honored on a Veterans Day. He fought at The Battle of the Bulge, he's got a Purple Heart, and a number of other medals that he won in combat during World War II and I think he's the one to really ought to be honored. That's what Veterans Day is all about, people like Earl Prichard. Thank you.
03:18	[Parade, Vic Fazio and Earl Prichard waving in car. Sirens, cheering, announcements over loudspeaker]
05:18	Vic Fazio: [...] but I've got something for you. This is a flag that was flown over the United States Capitol in honor of your birthday and all of your contributions to your country. I thought maybe, I didn't know I was in for an award today, or a prize, or a gift, but I knew I had one to deliver. And I'm sorry we don't have the whole family here. They were working their parade route down there. And maybe...
05:41	Earl Prichard: Is this where this is going to be presented already?
05:43	Vic Fazio: Well, it's presented back when we get on down to the [unclear]. It's from me to you, and it's folded...
05:48	Cameraman: Is your, uh, families here? Let's go down...
05:49	Vic Fazio: Yeah, let's go on down...
05:53	[Vic Fazio, Earl Prichard, and others preparing for presentation onstage.]
06:51	Announcer: Ladies and gentleman [...] you this certificate of participation and this particular [...] for participating in this parade and thank you for your support.
07:10	Vic Fazio: [...] if you were here when we came by the first time and I alluded to the gentleman who was with me in the back of the red GTO, a man named Earl Prichard, but I didn't give you the whole story about Earl. He served under General Patton in World War II as a member of the Ninetieth Infantry Division.

	<p>He landed in Normandy on D-Day and was a participant, as I said then, at The Battle of the Bulge and the Falaise Gap. He earned not only the Purple Heart, but he earned it with two clusters, receiving also the Combat Infantryman Badge and a Presidential Citation. He was promoted to Sergeant on the field of battle because of his leadership and gallantry. In fact, his nickname, which has stuck with him right up to today, for those of you who worked with him in McClellan during the thirty-one years he was there as a retired civil service person. Since that time, you may know him as Sergeant Lucky. Now, he has a special reason to be here today. We might have been able to anticipate, if you're a fatalist, that he would be a war hero because it just so happens to be that his birthday is on Veterans Day. And this is his seventy-first birthday, having been born on November 11, 1922. He's got a little hearing impairment, so please be loud in your welcome to Sergeant Earl Prichard! Sergeant Lucky!</p>
08:45	<p>Vic Fazio: We have one more thing we want to do and that is give you, for someone with your military record and your service as a civilian, as well as in the military of the United States, maybe the ultimate birthday present—a flag of your country flown over the United States Capitol. Earl, congratulations and happy birthday again.</p>
09:54	<p>Announcer: And now we have the Veterans of Foreign Wars Seventeenth District Honor Guard.</p>
09:55	<p>[Vic Fazio speaking to news crew, indistinct audio.]</p>
10:44	<p>Announcer: Now we have the Luther Burbank High School Navy Junior [...]</p>
10:51	<p>Woman: Mr. Fazio.</p>
10:52	<p>Vic Fazio: Yeah.</p>
10:53	<p>Woman: I don't have any quarters today.</p>
10:55	<p>Vic Fazio: You don't have any quarters?</p>
10:57	<p>Woman: Yeah, I dropped them in West Sacramento. I got to talk to you. It's very important. Unless you don't want our votes.</p>
11:04	<p>Vic Fazio: Oh, no. I don't want everybody's votes.</p>
11:07	<p>[Vic Fazio speaking to news crews, indistinct audio.]</p>
11:36	<p>[Vic Fazio speaking to parade attendees. Presentations, performances onstage.]</p>
12:02	<p>Announcer: And as you can hear the Foothill High School Band coming up in the rear. The band actually includes the drum majors, call flags, and the [unclear]. Happy Veterans Day, ladies. Welcome to Sacramento and the Veterans Day Parade.</p>

12:32	[Cut to black.]
12:42	[END.]