

Again, Mr. Chairman, I would like to say to Mr. Linko, he has made a great contribution; and I think your testimony, more than the specifics that you brought to our attention is a reminder to all of us that we can get valuable information from people who are outside of our own particular profession or discipline.

I am impressed that you, as a concerned citizen—not as a highway engineer—have looked at this and brought to us I think some of the most valuable information on highway safety that we have had presented to this committee.

Mr. CLAUSEN. Mr. Chairman.

Mr. BLATNIK. Mr. Clausen.

Mr. CLAUSEN. I think that this sort of citizen effort must be recognized, and I do not know if there is anything in the way of recommendation that could come from this particular committee to the appropriate people, but this gentleman, in my judgment, is worthy of one of the high awards of this country for what he has done.

If it would be in order, Mr. Chairman, and I think everyone on this committee would agree, I would like to see a resolution of commendation to Mr. Linko. May we ask the staff to draft a resolution and to make a recommendation in Mr. Linko's behalf to the appropriate people?

If you think it is in order, I make the request.

Mr. BLATNIK. I think it is definitely in order, and as I indicated in my statements earlier, certainly we had that in mind.

I think both gentlemen, as usual, are both thoughtful and considerate with the suggestion. It may be a little premature to say at this time, but I believe, from what I have seen and what I have heard, and having some idea of the testimony yet to come, I believe that the hearings, which have been started, were initiated, sort of launched by Mr. Linko's most revealing presentation.

In every instance we have seen beneficial positive results from our hearings. I am confident the same thing will happen after these hearings. To that we owe you, certainly, more than just expressions we have made so far, and we will consider a suitable and more pertinent and more justifiable expression later on.

Mr. CLAUSEN. Mr. Chairman, I think that if this recognition is given—we are saying this, obviously, in front of the gentleman himself—it is conceivable that other Americans would be motivated to make a similar effort. The fact he has taken the initiative on his own, in my judgment, has to be recognized, hopefully to improve the lot for everyone throughout the country.

Mr. BLATNIK. Thank you, gentlemen. Again, may we thank the witnesses. The hearings for today are adjourned and the hearings will be resumed at 10 o'clock Thursday morning.

(Whereupon, at 12:18 p.m., the subcommittee was recessed, to reconvene at 10 a.m., Thursday, June 8, 1967.)