

The NUNES Report

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President visits 21st Cong. District

Bush calls Ruiz Foods founder, Fred Ruiz, the 'embodiment of the American Dream'

President George W. Bush made a historic stop in Fresno and Tulare counties in October, delivering a speech to an enthusiastic crowd at Ruiz Foods in Dinuba.

The president paid tribute to Ruiz Foods founder, Fred Ruiz, whom he said "is the embodiment of the American Dream."

He also called on the Senate to pass the American Dream Downpayment Act, which will help minority and lower income citizens buy a home. Rep. Devin Nunes has been a principal sponsor of the initiative through the Congressional Hispanic Conference.

During his brief stay, the president also recognized other local dignitaries and one Visalian.

"When I landed at the airport I met a fellow named Denny Klaseus. Denny brought some of his family with him. You know, there's a lot -- the reason I bring up Denny is there's a lot of talk about our country's military might, and were strong and I'm going to keep us strong.



Hundreds of people gathered at Ruiz Foods in Dinuba to hear President George W. Bush speak Oct. 15.

And there is talk about the economy and the wealth of the country, and we'll do everything we can to make sure the economy grows. But the true strength of the country is the heart and souls of our American citizens. That's our strength. It's the thing that makes this country incredibly strong. I bring up Denny because he is what we call a soldier in the army of compassion.

Out of the First Church of the Nazarene, he has become a volunteer, see. He has heard the call, the universal call of all religions to love a neighbor just like

you'd like to be loved yourself. He helps each month to organize and pick up food donations. He knows when somebody is hungry and hurts, there needs to be love to help that person.

Denny sets a great example. The Ruiz Company sets a good example by encouraging people like Denny to volunteer."

After the 45-minute address, Rep. Nunes road in the motorcade with the president to a luncheon in Fresno.

Quick Facts



Rep. Devin Nunes meets with Nagorno Karabakh President Arkady Ghukasian in Fresno to talk about trade between the U.S. and Armenia.