

## 7 FAM 1170 HONORARY CITIZENSHIP

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- a. A non-U.S. citizen of exceptional merit may be declared an **Honorary Citizen of the United States of America** by the President pursuant to an Act of Congress. Honorary U.S. citizenship has been granted only to the following people:
- (1) Winston Churchill, by the Act of April 9, 1963 (Public Law 88-6; 77 Statutes at Large 5); Churchill's Reply;
  - (2) Raoul Wallenberg, by a joint resolution of Congress on October 5, 1981 (Public Law 97-54, 95 Statutes at Large 971); the resolution honoring Wallenberg stated that "honorary citizenship is and should remain an extraordinary honor not lightly conferred nor frequently granted";
  - (3) William and Hannah Callowhill Penn on October 19, 1984 by a joint resolution of Congress, (Public Law 98-516; 98 Statutes at Large 2423; Proclamation 5284);
  - (4) Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu (Mother Teresa) by a joint resolution of Congress on October 1, 1996, (Public Law 104-218; 110 Statutes at Large 3021; House Report 104-796); and
  - (5) Marquis de Lafayette, Marie **Joseph** Paul Yves Roche Gilbert du Motier by a joint resolution of Congress on August 6, 2002, (Public Law 107-209, 116 Statutes at Large 931; USCISpl10729).

**U.S. Senate Reference Honorary Citizens of the United States of America**

## 7 FAM 1172 HONORARY CITIZENSHIP AND PASSPORTS

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Honorary U.S. citizens **are not eligible for U.S. passports.**

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