LINUS CARL PAULING, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in
the performance of outstanding services to the United States from October
1940 to June 1946. Professor Pauling, distinguished in chemistry and
physics, as section and division member of the Explosives Division, consult-
and of the Divisions on Chemistry and on Rockets, member of the Consultant
Panel of the Committee on Medical Research, and Chairman of an ad hoc Com-
mittee, turned his imaginative mind to research on military problems with
brilliant success. His chromatographic method of analysis is used wherever
investigations of rocket powder are under way. His studies of stability
and surveillance methods were helpful in all powder developments. He led
the way to an oxygen deficiency indicator for submarines and aircraft; and
carried out important work on a substitute for human serum. His proposal
for the use of rate control strands made the castable double base powder
program more effective and widened the field of application. His contribu-
tions in the field of medical research and of explosives, among other
contributions to the war effort, were brilliant. Professor Pauling's aid
and advice made possible many of the war achievements in new materials and
instruments required by the Armed Forces.

(Signed) Harry Truman

The White House
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