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## **AS MILLIONS OF ILLEGAL ALIENS THREATEN AMERICAN BORDERS, IMMIGRANT TURNED CEO PAUL OREFFICE UNVEILS HIS INCREDIBLE JOURNEY TOWARD THE AMERICAN DREAM**

*Paul Oreffice is an American original and his account of his rise to the pinnacle of business leadership is filled with drama, inspiration, and wisdom.*

—Former U.S. President Gerald Ford

**Annapolis, MD**—As the controversy over American borders rages, it is easy to overlook the personal side of the conflict. An embodiment of the American dream, Paul Oreffice immigrated to America in pursuit of a better life. His powerful autobiography, *Only in America*, details his struggle to flee Fascist Italy as a child, embracing seemingly insurmountable obstacles and turning them into triumphs. **Oreffice** rose to become not only a great American patriot and philanthropist, but also the CEO of one of America's largest corporations.

With his amazing journey behind him, Oreffice fears the distinction between immigrants and illegal aliens is becoming blurred, saying: *"The debate over the illegals is giving rise to an anti-immigrant sentiment...This country owes its greatness in no small part to its acceptance of people from all over the world and the ability to absorb them in our melting pot."*

Oreffice may not have been born in America, but his blood, sweat, and tears are made of the pride and respect he holds for this country. His journey began with knowing merely fifty words of English when he enrolled at Purdue University at the tender age of seventeen. His business savvy became highly influential for expanding Dow's national vision to an international scope and made him one of the most respected leaders in this country.

*Only in America* is the stirring account of how America gave Oreffice the gifts of freedom and opportunity, enabling him to offer hope to men and women around the world in return.

"Only in America" could Oreffice:

- Transform a tiny organization into the second-largest chemical company in Brazil—in less than two years
- Be named one of the top 100 most influential people in the history of South Florida, along with Christopher Columbus and Ponce De Leon
- Receive Spain's highest civilian honor—the Encomienda del Merito Civil—for contributions in the development of the petrochemical sector
- Master six languages: Italian, English, French, Spanish, Portuguese, and German

**Paul Oreffice** retired from Dow Chemical in 1992. He currently resides in Arizona with his wife, JoAnn. He has two children and four grandchildren.

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