nominees for Illinois' 18th Congressional District.

Twenty-three remarkable individuals have been selected for admittance into the U.S. Military Academy, U.S. Naval Academy, or U.S. Air Force Academy. These young men and women have gone through a rigorous and competitive application process, making them the most impressive and outstanding group of individuals. This group gives me confidence in America's future.

I would like to thank the members of our selection panel including veterans and community leaders who volunteered their time, talents, and attention to this process. I would also like to thank the parents for raising these exceptional young adults. Finally, I would like to thank the nominees themselves for their dedication to serving this great nation.

The Illinois 18th congressional district service academy nominees are:
Kyle Campbell—Riverton, IL, U.S. Military Academy.
Paul Oelkers—Edelstein, IL, U.S. Military Academy.
Tessa Leman—Eureka, IL, U.S. Military Academy.
Kaden Schmittner—Bloomington, IL, U.S. Military Academy.
Micah Weiss—Sherman, IL, U.S. Military Academy.
Steven O’Rear—Lincoln, IL, U.S. Naval Academy.
Molly Day—Normal, IL, U.S. Naval Academy.
Christopher Leanos—Metamora, IL, U.S. Naval Academy.
Dominic Signa—Germantown Hills, IL, U.S. Naval Academy.
Matthew Tungett—Rochester, IL, U.S. Naval Academy.
Duncan Bradshaw—New Salem, IL, U.S. Naval Academy.

IN HONOR OF COURTNEY WILBURN BEING NAMED ALABAMA’S 2018–19 MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR

HON. MIKE ROGERS OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 16, 2018

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I ask for the House’s attention today to recognize Courtney Wilburn for being named Alabama’s 2018–19 Middle School Principal of the Year.

Courtney is the principal at White Plains Middle School in Calhoun County. She has served in that role since 2011. She has also served as a teacher and assistant principal and was Calhoun County’s Principal of the Year in 2012.

Courtney was raised in the area and attended Anniston City Schools and graduated from Jacksonville State University. She has been working in education for 17 years.

On January 8th, she was surprised at an event at the school with the news of the honor.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating Courtney on this distinct honor and thanking her for her service to education.