# **EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS**

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

## HON. KAY GRANGER

OF TEXAS IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted yea on Roll Call No. 151; yea on Roll Call No. 152; nay on Roll Call No. 153; yea on Roll Call No. 154; yea on Roll Call No. 155; and yea on Roll Call No. 156.

SEVENTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE INDIAN AMERICAN CUL-TURAL CENTER OF NWIHRC

## HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Madam Speaker, it is my distinct pleasure to recognize the Indian American Cultural Center of NWIHRC, which will be celebrating its 17th anniversary by hosting a gala dinner and banquet on Saturday, April 13, 2019, at the Halls of Saint George in Schererville, Indiana.

The Indian American Cultural Center, which opened on March 9, 2002, was established with the following goal in mind: to foster peace and harmony amongst the people of Northwest Indiana by showcasing their cultural heritage and creating spiritual awareness in both youth and adults, as well as to engage in various charitable endeavors, both nationally and locally. Since its inception, the Indian American Cultural Center has been instrumental in educating Northwest Indiana's citizens on the traditions and customs of the Indian heritage.

The members of the Indian American Cultural Center of NWIHRC are to be honored, not only for their commitment to preserving tradition, but also for their dedication to making improvements that benefit all mankind. Proceeds from this year's gala, which throughout the years has demonstrated the immense generosity of its attendees and organizers, will go to support the Nazareth Home in East Chicago and Veterans Life Changing Services in Gary. In the past, proceeds from the gala have gone to such noble causes as cancer research, educational scholarships, the American Red Cross, tsunami and hurricane relief funds, the Carmelite Home for Girls, Arc Bridges of Hobart, Campagna Academy, and many more. For their significant contributions to the community of Northwest Indiana and beyond, the members and leaders of the NWIHRC are worthy of the highest praise.

Madam Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in congratulating the Indian American Cultural Center of NWIHRC on its 17th anniversary. The members and leaders of this outstanding organization have dedicated themselves to serving others, and continue to improve the quality of life for the people of Northwest Indiana and throughout the world. They serve as an inspiration to us all.

## KATHERINE CISNEROS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Katherine Cisneros for receiving the Adams County Mayors and Commissioners Youth Award.

The Youth Award focuses on teenagers who have overcome personal adversity and created positive changes in their lives and their community. The program provides businesses, the community and civic leaders an opportunity to support young people in their communities and recognize their accomplishments. Katherine is the perfect recipient for this award because despite adversities and challenges, she has become an inspiration and role model for her peers.

The dedication and leadership demonstrated by Katherine is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Katherine Cisneros for this well-deserved recognition. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

RECOGNIZING THE BUCHANAN PARTNERS AND NANCY HERSCH INGRAM AT THE 9TH HYLTON PERFORMING ARTS CENTER AN-NIVERSARY GALA

#### HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, April 8, 2019

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Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Buchanan Partners and Nancy Hersch Ingram who have demonstrated incredible dedication and service to the Hylton Performing Arts Center. Their many contributions have helped grow the arts in our community and at the Hylton Performing Arts Center. The Hylton Performing Arts Center serves to enrich, entertain, and celebrate the community through arts and educational programs. The Hylton Performing Arts Center provides a variety of cultural experiences for all ages, and we are thankful to have this Center in our community.

The Buchanan Partners have played a key role in establishing the Hylton Performing Arts Center's vision by sponsoring the Buchanan Partners Art Gallery. This gallery features local and regional artists and serves to enrich the community through various visual art experiences. They continue to reach out to the community and live out their mission of "Developing Values. Building relationships." It is my pleasure to honor the Buchanan Partners for their contributions and efforts.

We are also very fortunate to have an exceptional visual artist, philanthropist, and founding supporter of the Hylton Performing Arts Center, Nancy Hersch Ingram. She earned her Masters of Fine Arts degree from American University and now serves on the George Mason University Science and Technology campus advisory board. Nancy continues to help other members of our community by providing visionary artistic influence and philanthropic support. Her art work is held in permanent collections of the Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery, the National Museum of Women in the Arts, and other art institutions. She has been a pillar for artistic enrichment in our community, and demonstrates the values we seek in our community leaders. It is my pleasure to honor Nancy Hersch Ingram.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the Buchanan Partners and Nancy Hersch Ingram for their many contributions to the Hylton Performing Arts Center.

CONGRATULATING NORTH-WESTERN AND BENTON CEN-TRAL GIRLS BASKETBALL

# HON. JAMES R. BAIRD

OF INDIANA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 8, 2019

Mr. BAIRD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate two outstanding high school basketball teams from the Fourth District of Indiana. I'm proud to say that the Fourth District is home to not only the runner up for the Indiana High School Athletic Association's Girls Basketball State Tournament, but also the 2019 State Champions.

At the State Championship on February 23, in Indianapolis, Northwestern Senior High School, from Kokomo, Indiana achieved their second-straight state title with a sixty-one to thirty-nine victory over Benton Central, from Oxford, Indiana.

Both teams played with the passion and dedication they have shown all season. Northwestern junior Kendall Bostic led the night with twenty-five points and set Class 3A State records for both rebounds and steals. Her teammate, Madison Layden, tied a state record as well, making ten out of twelve free throw attempts. Allison Miller from Northwestern was named the winner of the Patricia L. Roy Mental Attitude Award in Class 3A Girls Basketball.

From Benton Central, leaders like Audrey Strawsma contributed eleven points, Tressa Senesac with nine, and senior Emma Fisher had seven. In addition to the strong showing from all the players on the court, it is notable

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