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The Allied war effort continued. General George C. Marshall was immediately dispatched to Moscow to debrief Marshall Stalin on the results of the conference. When Stalin learned that Roosevelt and Churchill had decided to forego, for the immediate future, a Second Front through an invasion of France, he declined to receive General Marshall. For the Russians, the “Great Patriotic War” would go on for another year and a half before the opening of a Second Front with the Normandy invasion in June 1944.

Later that year, President Roosevelt did meet with Marshall Stalin in Teheran, Iran, for the first time on November 28—December 1, 1943. Despite Stalin’s disappointment over the timing of the Second Front, at the final dinner Marshall Stalin made the memorable toast, “Without America, we [Russia] would already have lost the war.” (N.B. Churchill first met Stalin in Moscow, in July 1942.)

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HON. JUDY BIGGERT

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. BIGGERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to offer my warmest congratulations to the city of Naperville and its two public libraries.

For the second year in a row, the Naperville Public Libraries have been named the number one public library system in the United States when compared with other facilities of comparable size.

The ranking revealed in a recent article in the magazine “American Libraries,” looked at factors such as collection turnover, materials expenditure per capita, periodicals per 1,000

residents, cost per circulation and circulation per full-time employment staff hour.

It’s time that public libraries receive more recognition. They are the great equalizer in our society as they ensure free and unlimited access to invaluable educational resources for anyone who simply has the desire to learn.

Librarians and employees continually go above and beyond the call of duty with their exceptional service and commitment to provide enriching and enlightening information to everyone in the community.

Libraries enhance our knowledge of ourselves and the world around us. Great libraries, like Nicols and Naper Boulevard, deserve our highest praise and recognition.

Congratulations to the Naperville Public Libraries—the very best in their class