

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TO HONOR MS. GEMA DUARTE LUNA AS A RECIPIENT OF THE ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY YOUNG ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

HON. ED PASTOR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 22, 2001

Mr. PASTOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise before you today to bring attention to the achievements of a great woman who was recently presented with the Arizona State University (ASU) Young Alumni Achievement Award. This award is bestowed upon an alum who has excelled early in his or her profession and has served the community with distinction. She is a native Arizonan, devoted wife, loving mother of two, and I am proud to know her as my friend. Mr. Speaker, I speak of Ms. Gema Duarte Luna of Phoenix, Arizona.

Raised in the small town of Superior, Arizona, Gema graduated from ASU in 1984 with a Bachelor of Science degree and was the first in her family to receive a college degree. She has had many triumphs in the fields of business, management, and local politics including appointments to many civic committees, such as the Mayor's Fiscal Capacity Committee and the City of Phoenix Transit Tax Citizen's Committee, due to her extensive involvement in issues affecting the community.

She also serves as a board member for KAET Channel 8 (a public television station), Xicanindio Artes, an organization that provides youth programs and promotes Chicano and Native American artists, the National Conference for Community and Justice, a diversity program for high school students, and serves as a member of the ASU Cesar Chavez Institute, a youth leadership program.

Gema served as chairwoman of the Arizona Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and is the current chair of the chamber's annual spring black and white ball which is the largest banquet and fund-raising activity of the Hispanic business community.

While working as the Affinity Marketing Manager for Bank of America she received the prestigious "LEND" award for her commitment to improve the efforts that target low and moderate families and neighborhoods. Currently, she serves as the market segment manager for the Arizona Republic and through her ongoing development and supportive measures, she has been instrumental in the funding of the ASU foundation, a non-profit organization that acts as the principal agent through which gifts are made to benefit the university.

As my colleagues can see, she is a role model to all Arizonans and young Latinas throughout the nation. Her involvement in the community is truly an inspiration and a testament to her dedication and commitment. Her strong presence and proven leadership skills have earned her the respect of her peers and she continues to be a well respected voice in the Valley's Hispanic community. Therefore,

please join me today in honoring my friend, Ms. Gema Duarte Luna.

RECOGNIZING THE GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT

HON. ROBERT A. UNDERWOOD

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 22, 2001

Mr. UNDERWOOD. Mr. Speaker, as we observe National Police Week, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize members of the Guam Police Department who have distinguished themselves during the past year. On the island of Guam, the highest honors are usually reserved for the Police Officer of the Year and the Civilian of the Year—awards presented annually to the top employees of the Guam Police Department (GPD). For the year 2001, Police Officer II Patrick J. Santos was named Police Officer of the Year while Ms. Yolanda M. Crisostomo was honored as Civilian of the Year.

Assigned to the Homicide Unit as a Special Agent, Officer Patrick J. Santos has proven his knowledge and abilities in the field of law enforcement. Officer Santos has displayed diversified skills in investigating some of the most complex cases required in police work. With sixteen years of experience in the field, he has participated and investigated in several homicide cases, cleared 119 felony cases, 101 misdemeanor cases and 113 death cases involving suicides, accidents and death by natural causes. In the pursuit of his chosen career, he had been made to sacrifice time away from his family. Often on call without regard to the time of the day, he has selflessly devoted many hours investigating and working on sensitive, complex, and time consuming cases. For his efficiency, dedication and professionalism, the Guam Police Department has chosen to award Officer Santos its highest honor for the year 2001.

GPD's Civilian of the Year is a Clerk Typist II assigned to the Legal Affairs Section. While the department underwent a critical personnel shortage, Yolanda M. Crisostomo was left to manage GPD's Legal Affairs Section. As the sole employee assigned to the section, Ms. Crisostomo tended to duties normally distributed among six staff members. Within the period of one year, she was able to personally generate 7,837 minutes of transcription that converted to 237 investigative reports and a total of 4,740 pages of typewritten legal documents. This is in addition to her collateral duties as a claims representative and a lay representative in adverse actions—duties that entailed legal research and normally assigned to paralegals. Her efficiency and good judgement in the performance of her duties have earned her the coveted honor of being GPD's Civilian of the Year for 2001.

On behalf of the people of Guam, I congratulate Patrick and Yolanda for having been named as GPD's Police Officer and Civilian of

the Year. Through their diligence and dedication to their duties at the Guam Police Department, they have made great contributions towards the safety and protection of our island's residents.

I additionally wish to submit for the RECORD, the names of units, police officers, and civilian employees who were also recognized for their services to the department and to the people of Guam. I urge them to keep up the good work!

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Criminal Investigations Section; Special Programs Section

LIFESAVING AWARD

POI Seigfred D.R. Mortera; POI Juan LG Diaz, Jr.; POI Donny J. Tainatongo; POI Mark A. Nelson; Detention Officer Anthony P. Quichocho; CVPR Mario L. Laxamana.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL

Capt. Ricardo M. Leon Guerrero; Sgt. I Eric D. Fisher; Sgt. I M.J.Q. Sayama; POIII Robert A. Rasaan; POIII Jesse N. Camacho; POIII Joseph S. Carbullido; POIII Paul V. Sayama; POIII Rafael E. Pellacani; POIII Manuel R. Chong; POIII Dennis A.O. Santos; POIII Carlos Roman; POII Lydia C. Ogo; POII Thomas B. Manibusan; POII Jihn S. Tyquiengco; POII Jojo T. Garcia; POII Troy B. Lizama; POII Kenneth S. Espinosa; POII Barry K. Flores; POII Bryan J. Cruz; POII Vincent D.C. Nueva; POII Carl J. Nesmith; POI Francisco R. Cepeda; POI Donna L. Gomez; POI Gabriel T. Cruz; POI Vergilio A. Antonio; POI Peter A.R. Ada; Detention Leader Percy R. Manley; Civ. Rose Fejeran; Civ. Ovita A. Nauta; Civ. Erlinda T. Valencia; Civ. Monica P. Ada; Civ. Zenobia D. Lynn; Civ. Felisa Mae H. Pineda; Civ. Julie R.B. Paulino; Civ. Susan C. Reyes; Civ. Cynthia E. Ige; Civ. Elizabeth I. Barcinas; Civ. Albina E. Buccat; Civ. John F. Taitano; CVPR Dewey L. Castro; CVPR Jesus P. Angoco; CVPR Dean D. Delgado; CVPR Leo S. Diaz; CVPR Joey A. Terlaje; CVPR Mike L. Elliot; CVPR Michael A. Reyes.

MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL

POIII James A. Buccat; POIII Raul Q. Atento; POIII Anthony V. Chaco; POIII Michael Q. Aguon; POIII Kenneth J.Q. Castro; POIII Mark A.B. Torre; POIII Jovito T. Jasmin; POIII Robert J.C. Santos; POIII Erfel O. Matanguihan; POIII Kenneth D. Mantanona; POIII John N. Quinatnillia; POIII John C. Aguon; POIII Eric A. Toves; POIII Anthony W.C. Taijeron; POIII Joseph I. Cruz; POIII Darren J. Caldwell; POII Gilbert J. Mondia; POII Glen S. Topasna; POII Jason P. Flickinger; POII Darryl L. Quitagua; POII Gilbert R.C. Quichocho; POII Anthony J. Kamminga; POII Michael S. Taitague; POII Ronny A. Barcinas; POII Craig C. Chong; POII Anthony V. Camacho; POII Robert J. Fejeran; POII David A. Brantley; POII Ray N. Quintanilla; POII Jesse J. Mendiola; POII John G. Gamboa; POII David Q. Manila; POII Norbert K. Sablan; POII Tracey Volta; POII Frank R. Santos; POII Daniel B. Anciano; POII Jason P.B. Aguon; POII Anthony J. Arriola; POII Chris Anthony M. Dangan; POII Anna I. Eustaquio; POII Steven F. Munoz; POII Timothy E. Certeza; POII Thomas H. Alger; POII Natanya R. Wolfe; POI Daniel D. Cepeda; POI Maria Lourdes O. Sumang; POI Ray C. Alcantara; POI Burt C.

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