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It is important that we recognize the accomplishments of schools such as Brubaker Elementary. Along with helping the environment, Brubaker is also saving the school district money. During these tough economic times, with school budgets under extreme pressure, this is more important than ever. Just as important, these energy conservation actions by the Brubaker Elementary community instill a strong sense of environmental and natural resource stewardship. Brubaker Elementary's students, teachers, and staff are fostering excellent habits of conscientious citizenship.

Brubaker Elementary has proven that simple changes in daily practices can make a big difference. By setting attainable goals and being persistent, this school community was able to make significant improvements. I offer my sincere congratulations to everyone at Brubaker Elementary School for their commitment to energy efficiency and conservation. They make the State of Iowa proud.●

RECOGNIZING CAPITOL VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

● Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I would like to take a moment to congratulate Capitol View Elementary School in Des Moines, IA, which was granted the Energy Star Rating in recognition of its achievements and practices in energy conservation.

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At a time when the United States leads the world in energy consumption and emissions of greenhouse gases, Capitol View Elementary is serving as a role model for schools across the Nation. Under the guidance of the Des Moines School District, Capitol View became an Energy Star Partner in May 2008. Capitol View has reduced its energy consumption, operating costs, and greenhouse gas emissions. Simple measures such as turning off lights,

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RECOGNIZING CARVER COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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RECOGNIZING CATTPELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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