

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### RECOGNIZING THE NORTHERN HIGH SCHOOL PATRIOTS

**HON. STENY H. HOYER**

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 1, 2012*

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and congratulate an extraordinary team of young women from Maryland's fifth congressional district. The Northern High School Patriots won the 3A Maryland "state softball finals on May 26, 2012. This is their fifth consecutive softball state championship and ninth softball championship overall. This incredible achievement was made all the more significant given the caliber of their competition.

After an undefeated season, the Patriots emerged victorious over Thomas Stone High School, Chopticon High School, Huntingtown High School, and Reservoir High School to ultimately meet Linganore High School in the state championship game at Robert E. Taylor Stadium at the University of Maryland. The Patriots prevailed, overcoming the Linganore Lancers with a final score of 10–0.

This victory demonstrates that with determination, willpower, and discipline we can work to overcome any obstacle in the path of achieving success. The Northern High School Softball team has gone above and beyond expectations. The Patriots end their 2012 season not only with a state championship, but also a perfect record of 25–0. Additionally, Northern High School has become the first softball program in state history to win five consecutive state titles.

Eighteen student-athletes contributed to this triumphant season, remaining focused and determined to continue the streak of Northern High School softball state championships.

Mr. Speaker, I offer my heartiest congratulations to the members of the championship team—Jessie Clemons, Kierstie Schaefer, Jess Cummings, Sarah Bennett, Sam Gatton, Caroline Clarry, Marleigh Smith, Lindsey Schmeiser, Madison Marinaccio, Baylee Hutchinson, Erin Adams, Julie Keleti, Carleigh Ruleman, Kristina Lozupone, Kailin Case, Allison Garzone, Kayla Grantham, and Sabrina Beil—on their victory. And, I also want to applaud Head Coach Robert Earl Radford and his coaching staff—Devin Hall, Beth Radford, and Qyntia Parks-Lewis—for their dedication and commitment while guiding these talented student-athletes.

Like all Southern Marylanders, I am very proud of these young women and I congratulate all of those involved in bringing home a state title. I ask that my colleagues join me in applauding this great accomplishment.

### PRENATAL NONDISCRIMINATION ACT (PRENDA) OF 2012

SPEECH OF

**HON. BETTY McCOLLUM**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 30, 2012*

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in opposition to the Prenatal Nondiscrimination Act, PRENDA, of 2012 (H.R. 3541).

Every Member of the House opposes the abhorrent practice of gender selection, including me. In Minnesota, prohibiting sex-selective abortions has passed on a bipartisan basis in the State House of Representatives in 2007 and 2010. Unfortunately, the bill before us is not about protecting girls. It is about politics. H.R. 3541 is an attempt by House Republicans to restrict women's access to legal reproductive health care services by threatening medical professionals with legal action.

Under this bill, health care providers could face civil penalties or even criminal prosecution for failing to report confidential conversations they have with woman about terminating a pregnancy. Ten leading medical associations oppose this bill, arguing that "H.R. 3541 would require that medical and mental health professionals violate doctor-patient confidentiality and report known or suspected violations." Physicians take an oath to be trusted counselors for their patients, not secret informers for the government. Many recite the modern version of the Hippocratic Oath, which states: "I will respect the privacy of my patients, for their problems are not disclosed to me that the world may know." It is wrong for Congress to empower politicians to interfere in the very personal and private relationship between a woman and her health care provider.

Women must have control over their own health care decisions and be able to trust their doctors to provide confidential medical guidance free from ideologically-driven misinformation or government interference. H.R. 3541 threatens these basic principles.

Congress can and should do more to fight gender discrimination and improve the lives of women and girls. I urge my Republican colleagues to join House Democrats in our efforts to increase women's access to affordable, comprehensive health care, achieve pay equity and ensure all girls can obtain a quality education. Bipartisan support for such policies would be the strongest statement about America's commitment to gender equality.

I urge all my colleagues to oppose H.R. 3541.

### IN RECOGNITION OF EVAN R. CORNS UPON RECEIVING THE HERMAN "RUSTY" SHIPPS LEADERSHIP AWARD

**HON. PATRICK J. TIBERI**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 1, 2012*

Mr. TIBERI. Mr. Speaker, I rise in recognition of Evan R. Corns upon him receiving the Herman "Rusty" Shipps leadership award. This prestigious award is named in honor of Rusty Shipps, Class of 1913. The Award, bestowed by the Ohio Wesleyan Alumni Board of Directors, recognizes exemplary leadership, stewardship, dedication, and commitment to the advancement of the university.

Mr. Corns' support of his alma mater is legendary at Ohio Wesleyan University, as is his commitment to private liberal arts education as reflected in his 2010 induction into the Ohio Foundation of Independent Colleges Hall of Excellence.

Throughout a tremendously successful business career, Evan R. Corns has made his mark both at Ohio Wesleyan and around the State of Ohio. An active member of the university's Board of Trustees for more than 20 years and a supporter of many Ohio Wesleyan initiatives, Mr. Corns has never ceased to find new ways to enhance the campus and mission of his beloved school. For example, in an effort to make college available to others he graciously provided financial support for a number of campus scholarship programs, including the Woltemade Center's Corns Business and Entrepreneurial Scholars program, all in an effort to support the students, faculty, and staff at Ohio Wesleyan University. Alumni like Evan R. Corns represent the finest aspects of Ohio Wesleyan University and symbolize the finest traditions of citizenship.

### TRIBUTE TO BARBARA HUNDLEY, JACKSON CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

**HON. JO BONNER**

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 1, 2012*

Mr. BONNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Barbara Hundley, who has enhanced life in Jackson, Alabama through her civil service, dedication to her church and talent with gardening, earning her Jackson's Citizen of the Year award.

Mrs. Hundley has served a variety of roles in the Jackson area, working for the city planning commission on projects like a new complex for the Jackson Police Department, remodeling the White Smith Memorial Library, the construction of the Jackson Senior Citizen Center and also a new fire station for the downtown Jackson area.

In addition to this, Mrs. Hundley volunteered at the library, helped bring the Regional Child

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