TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL TERRELL

HON. ANNE M. NORTHUP
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Mrs. NORTHUP. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and honor a Kentucky teacher from my district who has achieved national recognition for his exemplary role in educating young students. Michael Terrell of Louisville is one of 29 teachers from across the country selected for USA TODAY’S 1999 All-USA Teacher Team. He should be extremely proud to have been both nominated by a colleague and to have received an award conferred on him by the American Federation of Teachers. Mr. Terrell is currently teaching first and second grade at Cochran Elementary School, where he has spent 18 years of education and 27 years of teaching. He is known for his dedication and outstanding achievements, from his work as a primary teacher for 27 years to his work as a leader in the community. His hard work and dedication to making schools better and improving the lives of his students, both encourages parents to get involved and sets an example for all teachers to follow. He is one of the people who help create the vitality of Cochran Elementary School and his enthusiasm creates a can-do attitude. He is responsible for the many successes there which, in turn, positively affect our entire community’s well-being.

Mr. Terrell is a teacher who knows how to get the job done. He knows it takes hard work, it takes flexibility, and it takes a commitment to each child. I was proud to hear that Michael Terrell supports what this Congress is trying to do—give schools and teachers the ability to make the choices which best reflect their students needs. We are all in agreement that such changes will help improve education—for Michael Terrell and his students. Because of all he does, I salute Michael Terrell for working so hard to make our schools a flourishing environment for our children to learn, grow and play.