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HON. NICK SMITH
OF MICHIGAN
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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Mr. SMITH of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, let it be known that it is with great respect for the outstanding record of excellence he has compiled in academics, leadership and community service, that I am proud to salute Andrew Poenicke, winner of the 2000 LeGrand Smith Scholarship. This award is made to young adults who have demonstrated that they are truly committed to playing important roles in our Nation's future.

As a winner of the LeGrand Smith Scholarship, Andrew is being honored for demonstrating that same generosity of spirit, intelligence, responsible citizenship, and capacity for human service that distinguished the late LeGrand Smith of Somerset, Michigan.

Andrew is an exceptional student at Lenawee Christian High school and possesses an impressive high school record.

Andrew has received numerous awards for his excellence in academics as well as his involvement in soccer. Outside of school, he has been active in many volunteer programs such as Meals on Wheels for Lenawee County.

Therefore, I am proud to join with his many admirers in extending my highest praise and congratulations to Andrew Poenicke for his selection as a winner of a LeGrand Smith Scholarship. This honor is also a testament to the parents, teachers, and others whose personal interest, strong support and active participation contributed to his success. To this remarkable young man, I extend my most heartfelt good wishes for all his future endeavors.

HONORING ELWAR “RUBEN” Lacour
HON. HEATHER WILSON
OF NEW MEXICO
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Mrs. WILSON. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to bring to your attention Elwar “Ruben” LaCour, Jr., a student in my district. As a mid-
die scholar, he was awarded the U.S. National Award in mathematics. His commitment to learning is an indication of great future success.

Ruben’s recognition from the U.S. Achievement Academy is a great honor. We all know of the studies and reports that say that students in the United States are falling behind in math performance. Ruben’s skills, abilities, and success provides evidence of students excelling in math.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating Elwar “Ruben” LaCour on his achievement in and dedication to mathematics. We must celebrate achievements and encourage our children to do their very best.