TRIBUTE TO ANGELA PEREZ BARAQUIO

Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Angela Perez Baraquio of Honolulu, HI, on being named as Miss America 2001.

Angela received a BA in education from the University of Hawaii, Manoa, and earned academic awards in college including; University Dean’s List, Golden Key National Honor Society Member, 1996-1999, Donna Mercado Kim Academic Scholarship, Sibyl Nyborg Haide Student Teaching Grant and Evelyn Siu Foo Scholarship in Elementary Education.

Angela is a K-3rd grade physical education teacher and 5th-8th grade coach and director at Holy Family Catholic Academy. She is active in her local community as Choir Director at St. Augustine by the Sea Catholic Church in Waikiki.

Her platform, Character in the Classroom: Teaching Values, Valuing Teachers, recognizes the important contributions that teachers make in our country and encourages the adoption of character development programs in schools throughout the United States. Angela aspires to complete a Master’s degree in Education to accomplish her platform goals.

Angela is visiting New Hampshire for the first time on July 11, 2001. She has been invited by the University of New Hampshire to be a keynote speaker at “New Hampshire Celebrates Team Nutrition Day.” The special event held during the University of New Hampshire’s 2-week institute for school professionals recognizes the efforts of administrators and teachers who develop programs that provide nutritional and fitness instruction for the youth of the state. Now in its fifth year, the institute is the only one of its kind in the United States.

THE MISS AMERICA ORGANIZATION is one of the nation’s leading achievement programs and the world’s largest provider of scholarships for young women. The Miss America Organization provides young women with the opportunity to grow personally and professionally while instilling a spirit of community service through a variety of community-based programs.

As a former schoolteacher, I commend Angela for her selfless dedication to the education of the young people of Hawaii and our country. I wish her well as she continues her education and continues to enrich the lives of the children in Hawaii.

WESTMINSTER CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Mr. BOND, Mr. President. I rise to recognize Westminster Christian Academy in St. Louis on winning the Region 3 award at the We the People... The Citizen and the Constitution national finals held on April 21-23, 2001.

This award is presented to the school in each of five geographic regions with the highest cumulative score during the national finals. The students of Westminster Christian Academy competed against 49 classes throughout the Nation. They demonstrated a remarkable understanding of the fundamental ideas and values of American constitutional Government.

I had the pleasure to meet with this group of outstanding students during their visit in April, and I am pleased to congratulate them and their teacher Mr. Ken Boesch on such a fine accomplishment. I also congratulate Westminster Christian Academy as well, for proving to be a model school that has installed an example that should be followed by the nation. Through hard work, dedication, and discipline they have surpassed the medium.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. HUTCHINSON (for himself and Mr. DURBIN)
S. Con. Res. 59. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that there should be established a National Community Health Center Week to raise awareness of health care needs by community, migrant, public housing, and homeless health centers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

At the request of Ms. Szyme, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a co-sponsor of S. 258, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under the medical program of annual screening pap smear and screening pelvic exams.

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. KOHL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 261, a bill to authorize the design and construction of a temporary education center at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 588, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to eliminate the 15 percent reduction in payment rates under the prospective payment system for home health services and to permanently increase payments for such services that are furnished in rural areas.

At the request of Mr. SARBANES, the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) and the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) were added as cosponsors of S. 392, a bill to grant a Federal Charter to Korean War Veterans Association, Incorporated, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. MUKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 452, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure that the Secretary of Health and Human Services provides appropriate guidance to physicians, providers of services, and ambulance providers that are attempting to properly submit claims under the medicare program to ensure that the Secretary does not target inadvertent billing errors.

At the request of Mr. DOMENICI, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 543, a bill to provide for equal coverage of mental health benefits with respect to health insurance coverage unless comparable limitations are imposed on medical and surgical benefits.

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 583, a bill to amend the Food Stamp Act of 1977 to improve nutrition assistance for working families and the elderly, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 588, a bill to reduce acid deposition under the Clean Air Act, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from Kentucky
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Whereas community, migrant, public housing, and homeless health centers are nonprofit and community owned and operated health providers that are vital to the Nation’s communities;

Whereas there are more than 1,029 of these health centers serving nearly 12,000,000 people at 3,200 health delivery sites, spanning 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands;

Whereas these health centers have provided cost-effective, quality health care to the Nation’s poor and medically underserved, including the working poor, the uninsured, and many high-risk and vulnerable populations;

Whereas these health centers act as a vital safety net in the Nation’s health delivery system, meeting escalating health needs and reducing health disparities;

Whereas these health centers provide care to 1 of every 9 uninsured Americans, 1 of every 8 low-income Americans, and 1 of every 10 rural Americans, who care otherwise lack access to health care;

Whereas these health centers, and other innovative programs in primary and preventive care, reach out to 600,000 homeless persons and more than 650,000 farm workers;

Whereas these health centers make health care responsive and cost-effective by integrating the delivery of primary care with aggressive outreach, patient education, translation, and enabling support services;

Whereas these health centers increase the use of preventive health services such as immunizations, Pap smears, mammograms, and glaucoma screenings;

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 72, a resolution designating the month of April as “National Sexual Assault Awareness Month.”

S. RES. 119

At the request of Mr. BAYH, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 119, a resolution combating the Global AIDS pandemic.

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At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) were added as cosponsors of S. Con. Res. 3, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that a commemorative postage stamp be issued in the United States Post Office in honor of the U.S.S. Wisconsin and all those who served aboard her.

S. CON. RES. 45

At the request of Mr. FITZGERALD, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 45, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the Humane Methods of Slaughter Act of 1958 should be fully enforced so as to prevent needless suffering of animals.

S. CON. RES. 53

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, the names of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) and the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) were added as cosponsors of S. Con. Res. 53, concurrent resolution encouraging the development of strategies to reduce hunger and poverty, and to promote free market economies and democratic institutions, in sub-Saharan Africa.

S. 1079

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1079, a bill to amend the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 to provide assistance to communities for the redevelopment of brownfield sites.