Mr. SMITH of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, it is a sincere pleasure to recognize the finalists of the 2001 LeGrand Smith Scholarship Program. This special honor is an appropriate tribute to the academic accomplishment, demonstration of leadership and responsibility, and commitment to social involvement displayed by these remarkable young adults. We all have reason to celebrate their success, for it is in their promising and capable hands that our future rests:

Jonathan Andert of Battle Creek, Michigan.
Jared Bignell of Reading, Michigan.
Rachel Carpenter of Eaton Rapids, Michigan.
Leslie DeBacker of Pittsford, Michigan.
Jeremy Fielder of Blissfield, Michigan.
Andrew Grasley of Deerfield, Michigan.
Nicole Hephner of Hillsdale, Michigan.
Lindsay Karthen of Lansing, Michigan.
Andrew Grasley of Deerfield, Michigan.
Rachel Carpenter of Eaton Rapids, Michigan.
Jared Bignell of Reading, Michigan.
Alison McMullin of Battle Creek, Michigan.
Timothy Miller of Quincy, Michigan.
Julie Porter of Addison, Michigan.
Josh Richardson of Brooklyn, Michigan.
Meghan Silvuentes of Charlotte, Michigan.
Anna Watkins of Coldwater, Michigan.

The finalists of the LeGrand Smith Congressional Scholarship Program are being honored for showing that same generosity of spirit, depth of intelligence, and capacity for human service that distinguished the late LeGrand Smith of Somerset, Michigan. They are young men and women of character, ambition, and initiative, who have already learned well the value of hard work, discipline, and commitment.

These exceptional students have consistently displayed their dedication, intelligence, and concern throughout their high school experience. They are people who stand out among their peers due to their many achievements, and the disciplined manner in which they meet challenges. While they have already accomplished a great deal, these young people possess unlimited potential, for they have learned the keys to success in any endeavor. I am proud to join with their many admirers in extending our highest praise and congratulations to the finalists of the 2001 LeGrand Smith Congressional Scholarship Program.