

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CONGRATULATING MICHAEL ADY ON BEING NAMED THE 2007 SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION VETERANS SMALL BUSINESS CHAMPION FOR GUAM

HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. BORDALLO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Mr. Michael Robert Ady, the president of M80 Office Systems, for being named as the 2007 U.S. Small Business Administration Veteran Small Business Champion for Guam.

Born in Joplin, MO, and educated at Midwestern College in Denison, IA, Mr. Ady studied business administration while serving in the U.S. Army. After his discharge in 1971, he went to work for Phillips and Ober in California and came to Guam in 1970 as the firm's general manager. Between 1984 and 1995, Mr. Ady served as general manager for several Guam companies, including Connell Brothers Guam, Oceana Trading, and Office Concepts. In 1995, he struck out on his own, establishing M80 Office Systems as a one-man operation in a home office with a single client. M80 Office Systems, today is a strong small business with 10 employees that specializes in office design and furniture supply. M80 ably serves both the public and private sectors.

Mr. Ady is a role model for other veteran entrepreneurs, and he takes that role seriously. He is an energetic supporter of veteran events and an always-willing volunteer participant in seminars, conferences and community events aimed at providing veterans with access to support, information, and educational programs to assist them with their lives and careers.

Mr. Ady is an active member of the Guam Chamber of Commerce and readily shares his knowledge and experience as a member of the Chamber's Small Business Development Committee. He was named co-chairman of the Small Business Development Committee in 2005. Mr. Ady was instrumental in aligning the committee's activities toward training and outreach programs to encourage more small business participation in chamber activities. As a result of the opportunities for participant feedback, participation in training programs increased 100 percent and membership in the Small Business Development Committee increased by 14 percent.

His other small business advocacy activities include serving as a business plan mentor at the 2003 Shell Guam Livewire Business Planning Competition for Youth, contributing as an exhibitor at the 2005 Small Business Matchmaking Fair, and presenting a veteran-owned business case study at the 2006 Guam SBDC Veterans Small Business Conference.

Mr. Ady is the recipient of numerous awards and commendations for his efforts to promote and support small business. He was named Panel Concepts' Dealer of the Year in 1997

and enrolled into Maxon Furniture, Inc.'s President's Club I 2006. In 2004, he was named the U.S. Air Force Reserves' Employer of the Year.

An avid surfer in his earlier years, Mr. Ady spends most of his leisure time with his family, working a farm in Yona. He, his wife Jovita, and their children Toby, Robert, and Robin raise mangoes, papayas, bananas, pineapples, betel nuts and local vegetables. We wish them a good harvest always, and we offer our best wishes as Mr. Ady now joins other Veteran Small Business Champions to be considered for the Small Business Administration's National Small Business Champion award.

TRIBUTE TO MRS. MARCELLA STEFANAC ANDERSON

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

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Mr. VISCLOSKY. Madam Speaker, it is with great honor and pleasure that I congratulate Mrs. Marcella Stefanac Anderson on a momentous milestone, her 85th birthday, which took place on March 4, 2007. Marcella will be celebrating this milestone with family and friends on Saturday, March 10, 2007. Throughout the years, Marcella's presence in northwest Indiana has allowed her the opportunity to touch the lives of countless people.

Marcella Stefanac was born on March 4, 1912, in Powhatan Point, Ohio. She was an only child, born to Ivan and Albina Stefanac. An accomplished student, Marcella completed her bachelor of science degree at Washington University in Saint Louis, Missouri, and her master of science and doctorate degrees in education from Temple University in Pennsylvania. From there, she decided to go into the teaching profession. As a professor at Valparaiso University in Indiana for 22 years, Marcella was able to enhance the lives of many young people throughout the community. For her dedication to the students of Northwest Indiana, she is worthy of the highest admiration.

Equally as impressive, Marcella has always been seen as the foundation of her family. She and her husband, Jim Anderson, live in Hobart with their cat, Mickey. Jim and Marcella have one son, Bryn, who currently resides in Orange County, California. Marcella's family, as well as those whose lives she has touched, respect her for devoting unselfish love, time, commitment, guidance, and spirit to her family, her students, and her friends.

In addition to being greatly loved and admired by her family, her students, and her community, Marcella is also well known for her affiliations to several organizations, including the Alfred Adler Institute, where she provides private counseling services for those in need. From the ages of 66 to 83, Marcella also taught aerobics to senior citizens at the Pruzin

Senior Center in Merrillville, Indiana. Marcella has always been known as a generous woman who is willing to help the people in her community. For her selflessness, she is to be commended.

Madam Speaker, Marcella Stefanac Anderson has always given her time and efforts selflessly to the community of northwest Indiana throughout her illustrious life. She has taught every member of her family and extended family the true meaning of service to others. I respectfully ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in wishing Marcella a very happy 85th birthday.

IN RECOGNITION OF MATT POWLESS

HON. BRAD ELLSWORTH

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 5, 2007

Mr. ELLSWORTH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Matt Powless for winning the 171-pound individual Indiana high school State wrestling championship. This title capped an incredible 51-0 season for the Evansville Memorial High School senior.

After finishing sixth in the State tournament last year, Powless returned to capture the first State wrestling title in Memorial history. Along the way he set school records for pins in a season and career. His long list of wrestling accolades includes sectional, regional, semistate, and conference titles.

In addition to his success on the mat, Powless also excels in the classroom. He ranks 13th in his high school class, with an exemplary 5.9 grade point average on a 6.0 scale. He has been named to six Academic All City Teams for wrestling and football. His continued academic success while devoting significant time to athletics is a testament to his intellect and dedication to excellence.

I congratulate Matt Powless for his remarkable wrestling season. He is the definition of a student-athlete and an excellent example for young people in my district. Great job, Matt.

CONGRATULATING LUCY MONTINOLA ALCORN ON BEING NAMED THE 2007 SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION SMALL BUSINESS PERSON OF THE YEAR FOR GUAM

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Ms. BORDALLO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize, congratulate and honor Ms. Lucy Montinola Alcorn on her selection as the U.S. Small Business Administration's 2007 Small Business Person of the Year for Guam. Lucy's dedication and commitment have made

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her company, Global Food Services, LLC, a growing and continuing success. Lucy is a fitting recipient of this honor.

Lucy, the fifth child born to Luis J. and Helen C. Montinola, is of Filipino and Chamorro descent. After finishing her education in the Philippines in 1979, she returned to Guam and worked in various sectors of the service industry, including customer support, sales, real estate and insurance. She never hesitated to help her husband, David Alcorn, in the management and operations of local food service providers.

In July 2003, Lucy fulfilled a dream by starting her own business, Global Food Services, LLC. With the support of the Guam office of the Small Business Administration, Global Food Services Group earned its certification as a Minority/Woman owned 8(a) and HUBZone Certified Small Disadvantaged Business. With the increase in military activities on Guam provided Lucy an opportunity to expand the operations of Global Food Services by competing successfully for contracts let by the Department of Defense.

Since its inception, the Global Food Services Group has maintained the distinction of being the first Guam-based, locally owned company to provide both direct and indirect support (quality of life) services to the U.S. Navy Bases on Guam. Presently, Global Food Services' focus has been on the management and operations of the Navy Family and Bachelor Housing Program; Morale, Welfare and Recreation programs; and providing food services, including the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) School Lunch Program.

Today, as part of her ongoing vision to expand her company, Lucy is leading Global Food Services in the pursuit of additional military and commercial projects on Guam with an ultimate goal of expanding its operations to the mainland U.S. and abroad. With a continued focus on long term sustainability of the company, she is dedicated to employee training and certification and exploration of new opportunities for her organization and individual employees.

Lucy has received the praise and admiration of Guam's entire business community. She is recognized not only for her tireless business drive, but also for her civic activities, which include her membership in the Guam Memorial Hospital Volunteers Association, the American Red Cross and the Parents Advisory Board for Father Duenas Memorial High School. Recognized by her colleagues in the Guam Chamber of Commerce for her business acumen and enthusiasm, Lucy was nominated for the Chamber's prestigious "Executive of the Year for 2004" and was elected to the Chamber's Board of Directors for 2007 to 2009. Though she dedicates much energy and time to the Global Food Services Group and to numerous civic activities, Lucy is ever mindful that she came from a closely knit family. Imbued with these family values, Lucy is devoted to her husband David and always a dedicated mother to her children, Dereck, Cassy and Nick.

Her dedication to the Guam community, her leadership in the business world, her contributions to the quality of life for members of the armed services, and her ability to balance her career with the responsibilities of raising her three children, make her recognition as the Small Business Person of the Year very fitting.

TRIBUTE TO STATE SENATOR
ANITA BOWSER

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

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Mr. VISCLOSKY. Madam Speaker, it is with deep sadness and the utmost respect that I take this time to remember a dear friend and one of Indiana's most distinguished citizens, State Senator Anita Bowser of Michigan City. On Sunday, March 4, 2007, Anita, a member of the Indiana General Assembly for the past 27 years, passed away at the age of 86 after a courageous battle with breast cancer. Known for her commitment to preserving the rights of all citizens, Anita will surely be missed by her family, friends, and the people she so loyally served.

Though well-known for her career as a public servant, Anita's life of service to her fellow citizens goes far beyond her impressive career as an elected official. A revered scholar, Anita received her bachelor's degree from Kent State University and a law degree from the McKinley School of Law, as well as a master's degree from Purdue University and a master's degree and doctorate degree from the University of Notre Dame. It should come as no surprise, then, that Anita chose to use her vast knowledge to give back to her community by becoming an educator. Anita, who taught political science classes at Purdue University North Central for many years, touched and enriched the lives of her students, many of whom went on to very successful careers in an array of fields. As an instructor, she taught her students with the same passion, commitment, and energy that she demonstrated as a member of the Indiana General Assembly. Her passion for teaching and for challenging her students will forever be remembered, and her unwavering commitment to the betterment of society will forever live in the hearts and minds of those she mentored.

First elected to the Indiana General Assembly as a member of the Indiana House of Representatives in 1980, it was apparent upon her arrival that a true champion of civil rights had come to Indianapolis. Following a remarkable career as a State Representative, Anita was elected to the State Senate in 1992. As a member of both the House and Senate, Anita served on many committees, and prior to her passing, she was the ranking member on the Senate's Pension and Labor Committee, where she fought tirelessly for workers' rights. Additionally, though she received many awards and accolades for her efforts in promoting and preserving civil rights, Anita has the distinct honor of being the first woman to act as House Speaker in the history of the State of Indiana.

Throughout her illustrious career, aside from being known as an eloquent speaker, Anita was often referred to as the "Conscience of the General Assembly." Undoubtedly, this moniker stemmed from her desire to better society through supporting legislation aimed at what is just and what is right. This desire for equality and inclusion was demonstrated time and time again, even in her final speech from the podium, when she reminded her colleagues that the State constitution was intended to preserve rights, not to take them away.

Madam Speaker, I respectfully ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in honoring State Senator Anita Bowser for her outstanding devotion to her community and the State of Indiana. Her unselfish and lifelong dedication to her family, friends, students, and those she so faithfully served in her elected positions is worthy of the highest commendation. Anita's selflessness and her commitment to preserving the rights of all people are an inspiration to us all, and I am proud to have called her my friend.

IN RECOGNITION OF TERRI
POCZERWINSKI

HON. BRAD ELLSWORTH

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Mr. ELLSWORTH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding achievements of Terri Poczerwinski from Evansville, Indiana. Tomorrow, Mrs. Poczerwinski will be one of four graduates to receive the Career College Association's Graduate Recognition for Excellence, Achievement and Talent (GREAT) Award. To be selected among the 1.8 million students in career colleges across the country is truly a remarkable feat.

Mrs. Poczerwinski's story is one of triumph over tragedy. She enrolled in the medical assisting program at Indiana Business College (IBC) in April 2005. She excelled in her classes even while recovering from surgery the beginning of fall term. Then in November 2005, tragedy struck when Terri lost her daughter Melinda in the tornadoes that ravaged southwest Indiana. Despite struggling with her personal grief, Mrs. Poczerwinski continued her hard work and success in the classroom.

Then two days before Thanksgiving and again before Christmas, her son-in-law was injured by an improvised exploding device while serving in Iraq. But Mrs. Poczerwinski pressed forward, graduating from IBC last December with a 3.57 grade point average. She now works at Hebron Pediatrics.

I congratulate Mrs. Poczerwinski for her tremendous accomplishments in the face of adversity. She is an inspiration to us all.

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GUERRERO ON BEING NAMED
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NESS CHAMPION FOR GUAM

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Ms. BORDALLO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge and congratulate Ms. Lourdes Leon Guerrero on being selected as Guam's Small Business Administration's Women in Business Champion for 2007. The daughter of Jesus and Eugenia Leon Guerrero, founders of the Bank of Guam, Lou succeeds her father and brother Tony as the Bank of Guam's president and chairwoman of its Board of Directors. Lou's success began many years ago in the halls of the Academy of Our Lady of Guam, where she attended