



Rep. Tom Emmer on Emmer Congratulates 2017 National Merit Scholars

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** Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize seven students from my district who have received the 2017 National Merit Scholarships. The criteria required to receive a National Merit Scholarship is quite difficult. In fact, of the 15,000 finalists selected, only half will actually receive scholarships. The recipients of this prestigious scholarship are Connor Schmidt of Ham Lake, Benjamin Caswell of Shoreview, Rafi Taghramadian of Blaine, Rachel Cho of Blaine, Piper Christensen of Spring Lake Park, Catherine Lewis of Blaine, and Kenneth Trong of Coon Rapids. Each one of these students has big plans for the future, which include careers in medicine, science, and engineering, all fields that are critically important to the success of our nation. I congratulate each of these students on receiving this scholarship, and we look forward to watching you achieve great success in your respective careers. Good work and good luck.

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