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· Mr. MITCHELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the inspiring performance of Corona del Sol High School in this year's national "We the People" competition. I share the pride from around our Congressional District and the state of Arizona that this impressive and hard-working team hails from our community.

· After winning the Arizona state title for the second year in a row, Corona del Sol's "We the People" team advanced to compete for the national title in Washington, D.C. In preparation for the national event, the Corona team spent months diligently learning about American political institutions, democracy and examining the contemporary relevance of the Constitution and Bill of Rights. As a high school government teacher for 28 years, I am gratified to see students delve deeper and become passionate about government, citizenship and public service.

· Their poise and eloquence in answering the complex questions asked during the national and state competitions demonstrated the team's vast knowledge of constitutional principles and patience.

· I am truly privileged to share in the celebration of such an excellent and driven team. Their commitment and perseverance has paid off and should serve as an inspiration for all. I have no doubt that all members of the team will continue to make Arizona proud in their future endeavors.

· Madam Speaker, I am honored to congratulate Corona del Sol's "We the People" team: Achyut Patil, Ajay Raikhelkar, Alex Austin, Brittany Duong, Cecilia Yocham, Connor Rawls, David Choi, Jentry Lanza, Jessica Lin, Joanna Fritsche, Juliana Park, Kevin Thomas, Kibaek Ryu, Louis Spanias, Marlene Garcia-Neuer, Richa Date, Michael Okada, Nafisah Ahmad, Nikhita Pakki, Rizwan Ahmad, Robert Wiley, Roopa Krishnaswamy, Sagar Patwardhan, Samantha Pfothner, Sean Magruder, Selena Kuo, Sherry Zhao, Tiffany Dayton, Tina Cai and Xandy Peterson.