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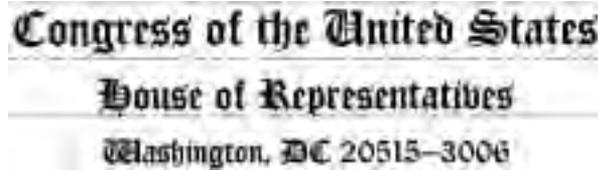
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6TH DISTRICT, NEW JERSEY



October 5, 2004

Lindsay Hemphill
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Dear Ms. Hemphill:

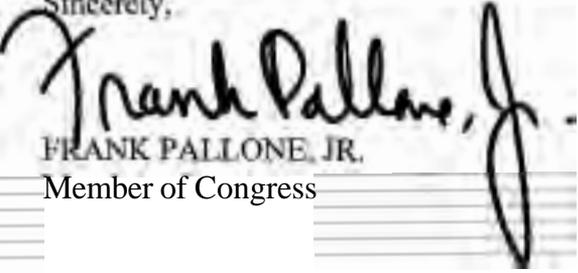
I am extremely pleased to nominate Gloria A. Bachmann, MD for the American Medical Women's Association (AMWA) and the National Library of Medicine Local Legends Award project highlighting the contributions and achievements of women physicians.

Dr. Bachmann is a leading expert in obstetrics and gynecology, and a well-known authority on midlife and older women. She holds numerous professional positions at the University of Medicine and Dentistry-New Jersey and Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in New Brunswick, NJ, including the Director of the Women's Health Institute and Chief of the OBIGYN Service at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital. Dr. Bachmann is currently Vice Chair of District III (New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware) of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) and serves on the editorial board of the journals OBG Management, Maturitas, Journal of Reproductive Medicine, Medical Crossfire and Managing Menopause. Dr. Bachmann is one of the founding members of the International Menopause Society and the North American Menopause Society.

Her excellence in advancing the understanding of obstetrics and gynecology has been recognized by the profession, which has accorded her numerous awards. Honors include the 1988 Issue of the Year Award by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, Best Scientific Paper at the Annual 1990 Meeting of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, Editorial Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology from 1990 to 1994 and numerous awards from UMDNJ, such as Best Teacher Award, Family Medicine in 1989 and the American Medical Women's Association Gender Equity Award in 1994. In 1995, Dr. Bachmann was the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Middlesex County Commission on the Status of Women and in 1996 was selected by the Delaware-Raritan Girl Scout Council to receive "The World of Women" Girl Scout Award. For five consecutive years, (1996-2000) Dr. Bachmann has mentored OB/GYN residents in research trials and these projects have gone on to be awarded national recognition. In 2000, she was honored by RWJUH and the Women's Health & Counseling Center for her advancing the field of Women's Health. Dr. Bachmann was also honored by ACOG in 2002 as the Wyeth-Ayerst Pharmaceuticals President's Community Service Award for District 111.

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In short, Dr. Bachmann is a quintessential "legend" who has made a positive, enduring contribution to the health care our country. She is truly deserving of this honor and I respectfully request your strong consideration of her candidacy for this prestigious recognition.

Sincerely,

FRANK PALLONE, JR.
Member of Congress