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### *Recognizing Lewis University's Aviation Program*

Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Aviation and Transportation Department at Lewis University for receiving the Loening Trophy, an award presented to the top collegiate aviation program in the country.

I am happy to see the program recognized nationally for their efforts. Lewis University, which is located in my district, has seen significant growth in their aviation department over the past few years, and emerged as one of our nation's preeminent programs. On September 26<sup>th</sup>, in a ceremony held on campus in Romeoville, Illinois, members of Lewis' Flight Team along with students and faculty from the Aviation and Transportation Department were on hand to receive the Loening Trophy.

Every year, the National Intercollegiate Flying Association considers aviation programs across the country and selects a recipient for the award based on intense evaluations. Since 1929, the recipient has represented the current benchmark for an overall outstanding aviation program. The hard work and dedication that Lewis University puts into its academics, community involvement, comprehensive safety programs, and a proactive enhancement of the future of aviation earned them the honor this year, setting their program apart as truly top-tier.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Lewis University's Aviation and Transportation Department and congratulating them on the award they received. This honor proves that Lewis continues to be a collegiate aviation leader not only in Illinois, but nationwide. May the students and faculty at Lewis enjoy this prestigious award and continue their work in the field of aviation.