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### **Herger Announces Nominees to U.S Service Academies**

(WASHINGTON, DC) - Congressman Wally Herger today announced that he has nominated ten "Class of 2011" candidates to the U.S. Service Academies. These academies consist of the U.S. Military Academy, U.S. Naval Academy, U.S. Air Force Academy, and U.S. Merchant Marine Academy.

"I am honored to nominate talented and intelligent young men and women to our service academies," Herger said. "Each nominee reflects the tremendous character and love of country that has made our military the best in the world. These future leaders, their families, and their teachers can all feel proud."

Universally recognized as some of the nation's top colleges, each service academy accepts approximately 1,000 students per year and prides itself on developing and inspiring America's future military leaders. Only top students in our nation are accepted. Academy graduates often go on to successful careers in the military or serve our nation in other capacities.

Congressman Herger based his nominations on the recommendations of his Screening Committee, which is responsible for interviewing the applicants, reviewing their files, and recommending a slate of nominees. Having been nominated, the students must now compete with other nominees nationwide for an appointment to the academies. Academy officials will be offering appointments this spring.

*Any student with a strong desire to serve our nation as an officer in the United States Armed Forces is invited to contact Congressman Herger in the spring of their junior year. Write to Congressman Wally Herger at the following address:*

**Congressman Wally Herger  
55 Independence Circle, Suite 104  
Chico, CA 95973**

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Congressman Herger's Class of 2011 nominees are:

**Kristen Ellison**  
**United States Air Force Academy Prep School**  
Nomination for: United States Air Force Academy

**Brian Hull**  
**Foothill High School**  
Nomination for: United States Naval Academy

**John McArthur**  
**Fall River Jr./ Sr. High School**  
Nomination for: United States Air Force Academy, United States Naval Academy, United States Military Academy and the United States Merchant Marines

**Ian Murphy**  
**Mercy High School**  
Nomination for: United States Air Force Academy, United States Naval Academy, United States Military Academy and the United States Merchant Marines

**Andrew Newell**  
**Paradise High School**  
Nomination for: United States Air Force Academy, United States Naval Academy, United States Military Academy and the United States Merchant Marines

**David Rehse**  
**Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University**  
Nomination for: United States Naval Academy, United States Air Force Academy

**Sarena Shaw**  
**Hamilton Union High School**  
Nomination for: United States Naval Academy

**Balvinder Singh**  
**Foothill High School**  
Nomination for: United States Air Force Academy, United States Naval Academy, United States Military Academy and the United States Merchant Marines

**Zachary Taylor**  
**Colusa High School**  
Nomination for: United States Air Force Academy, United States Naval Academy, United States Military Academy and the United States Merchant Marines

**Brance Waggoman**  
**Yuba City High School**  
Nomination for: United States Air Force Academy, United States Naval Academy, United States Military Academy and the United States Merchant Marines

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