Madame Speaker,

Today I rise to congratulate Bayonne Public School number 14. P.S. 14 was recently honored as a National Blue Ribbon School for its innovative Gifted and Talented Program. The school not only prepares students for the technological challenges of the 21st Century, but they also offer an accelerated academic program and provide exposure to the arts.

In addition to national recognition, the New Jersey Department of Education recognized P.S. 14 as a “Star School” because it implements cutting edge policies; allows parents, local business, and the community to get involved; and has not lost focus on student achievement, which is most important.

I want to congratulate Principal Janice Lo Re and the Bayonne School Superintendant, Dr. Patricia McGeehan, for this outstanding recognition.