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SPEECH OF
HON. LEE TERRY
OF NEBRASKA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2012

- Mr. TERRY. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to recognize twelve women who are making a difference in the Second Congressional District and--in fact--all of Nebraska.
- Small businesses are the life blood of our economy. They provide about 55 percent of all jobs in the private sector, and create about two of every three net new jobs in the United States. In 2007, women owned 7.8 million businesses.
- On Friday, I will be honoring the achievements of some of the women business owners throughout the Second Congressional District. Through their hard work and dedication, they have created opportunities and made a difference in our community. As we work to strengthen our economy, women business owners will continue to play an important role in that recovery.
- I also ask all of my colleagues to join me in celebrating the important contributions women continue to make in support of our economy.
- **Lisa Wolford** was recognized as the Women in Business Spotlight for June 2012. She is the founder and current CEO of CSSS.NET which was founded in 1997. CSSS.NET is certified with the SBA as an 8(a) Small Disadvantaged Business, 8(m) Woman Owned Small Business and a Service Disabled Veteran Owned Business. The company specializes in providing high quality IT services and solutions to federal, state, and commercial customers. As CEO, Wolford has played a vital role in improving the overall company by steering the company firmly and fully into the federal marketplace, contracting with U.S. Strategic Command, (USSTRATCOM), Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. CSSS.NET was named 2011 SBA Nebraska Veteran Services Champion of the Year, 2010 Vetrepreneur of the Year (NaVOBA) for exceptional Government service, won the Nunn-Perry Award in 2009 in recognition of CSSS.NET's work in GIS.