



## CONGRESSMAN PATRICK MEEHAN PENNSYLVANIA 7<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT CONGRATULATORY REMARKS TO THE SCHOLARS OF MODER PATSHALA

It is with great pleasure and admiration that I offer my sincerest congratulations to all who are gathered today in celebration of a terrific achievement. To the students of Moder Patshala, you have persevered in times of adversity and hardship due to an unyielding desire to succeed in the United States of America. You are the embodiment of the American Dream in its purest and truest form.

Parents and family members of today's graduates are equally praiseworthy, making daily sacrifices to provide their children with an invaluable foundation of education on which they will be able to build for years to come. Moder Patshala, *Our Little School*, has been an instrumental in serving the educational needs of Bangladeshi American children residing in Philadelphia and Delaware County. The students of Moder Patshala have been able to maintain a strong connection to the unique Bangladeshi culture while becoming contributing members of American society enabling all of you to view our great Nation and the world through a diverse range of perspectives.

Most importantly, I urge you to see this day not as a culmination of your educational accomplishments, but as a reminder that your potential in America is without limit. Today, you have reaped the fruits of you labor; tomorrow, you begin the next phase of your educational journey.

It is my sincerest hope that you believe your quest for knowledge and understanding is a continuous one. As you leave today, remember the words of Rabindranath Tagore, educator and scholar, who said:

"Age considers; youth ventures."

Go forth with the confidence and assuredness that you possess the tools to make an indelible mark in any manner you choose.

Once again, congratulations to the students and parents of Moder Patshala on a tremendous accomplishment.

Regards,

Patrick Meehan Member of Congress

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