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Temple Student Government
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Social for Social Causes Senior Recognition
April 29th, 2023

Thank you all for coming,

I am honored to stand before you today to recognize and celebrate the extraordinary contributions of our seniors who have dedicated their time at Temple to promoting social causes and social justice. They have been at the forefront of creating a better world, fighting for fairness, equality, and justice.

Throughout their time here, these leaders have been champions of progress, often working tirelessly behind the scenes to push for meaningful change. They have dedicated countless hours to building bridges, breaking down barriers, and promoting greater understanding among diverse groups of people. They have fought tirelessly to ensure that every person, regardless of their race, gender, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic status, is treated with the dignity and respect they deserve.

We must also remember the countless challenges and obstacles they faced along the way. From opposition and criticism to setbacks and failures, they never gave up. They persevered in the face of adversity, and their unwavering commitment to social justice has made our university and the city of Philadelphia a better place for us all. With that, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize them by name:

Active Minds:

- Grace Hurley
- Talia Martinez
- Joei Camarote
- Daniel Costello
- Sony Patel
- Lindsay Coia

Student Activists Against Sexual Assault:

- Alena Firestone
- Ben Wilcox



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Students for Trans Awareness and Rights:

- Jackson Forest
- James Burke
- Elijah Wagner
- Jules Gaines

Alpha Phi Omega:

- Gabriella Sabwa
- Kayla Paul-Koch
- Leah Nepa
- Lilly Schickendanz
- Zoe Karukas
- Kolton Nullmeyer

IGNITE at Temple:

- Kiana Magat
- Hannah Seewald

Temple Community Development Club:

- Jacob Gerardi
- David Sims

The Accountability Initiative:

- Andrew Ankamah Jr.
- Sierra Kamara
- DeOvionne Brown

As you prepare to enter a new chapter of your lives, we wish you all the best and know that you will continue to advocate for change and make the world a better place no matter where you go. We are grateful for everything you have done for our university, our community, and the places we call home.

One more round of applause for our graduating seniors!