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It is truly remarkable when one takes note of the expansive list of contributions women have made to our country throughout its history.

From our own state of Iowa, Lilia Abron became the first African-American woman in the nation to obtain a doctoral degree in chemical engineering at the University of Iowa.

Phyllis Propp Fowle, a native of Laurel, Iowa, became the first female Judge Advocate General Officer in the U.S. Army.

Arabella Mansfield became the first female lawyer in the United States after being admitted to practice law in Iowa.

I only hope that these accomplishments inspire other women and men to work hard to achieve the promise this nation was founded on: a place where all people are created equal.