

Congressman Pence today honored Yorktown High School's Kati Vasalakis for [her achievements on the tennis court and courageous battle against cancer](#)

. The Congressman's letter follows:

July 28, 2010

Dear Kati,

It is my honor and privilege to recognize you for your achievement on the tennis court despite severe challenges over the past several years.

I am moved by your upbeat attitude in the face of difficult circumstances. Your calm and steadfast faith while struggling with cancer has been an inspiration to your family, friends, and community. I am encouraged by your drive to overcome challenges and your never give up attitude.

Your optimistic attitude combined with your ambition to succeed is not only an asset to the Yorktown tennis team but to your entire community. You have continually shown that perseverance and determination can bring great success as you did when you helped lead the Tigers in the state tennis tournament.

Best wishes to you as you continue playing tennis with the Yorktown Tigers and sharing your stirring life story with those you encounter. I look forward to hearing of your future success and the lives that you touch.

Sincerely,

Mike Pence
Member of Congress
Sixth District, Indiana