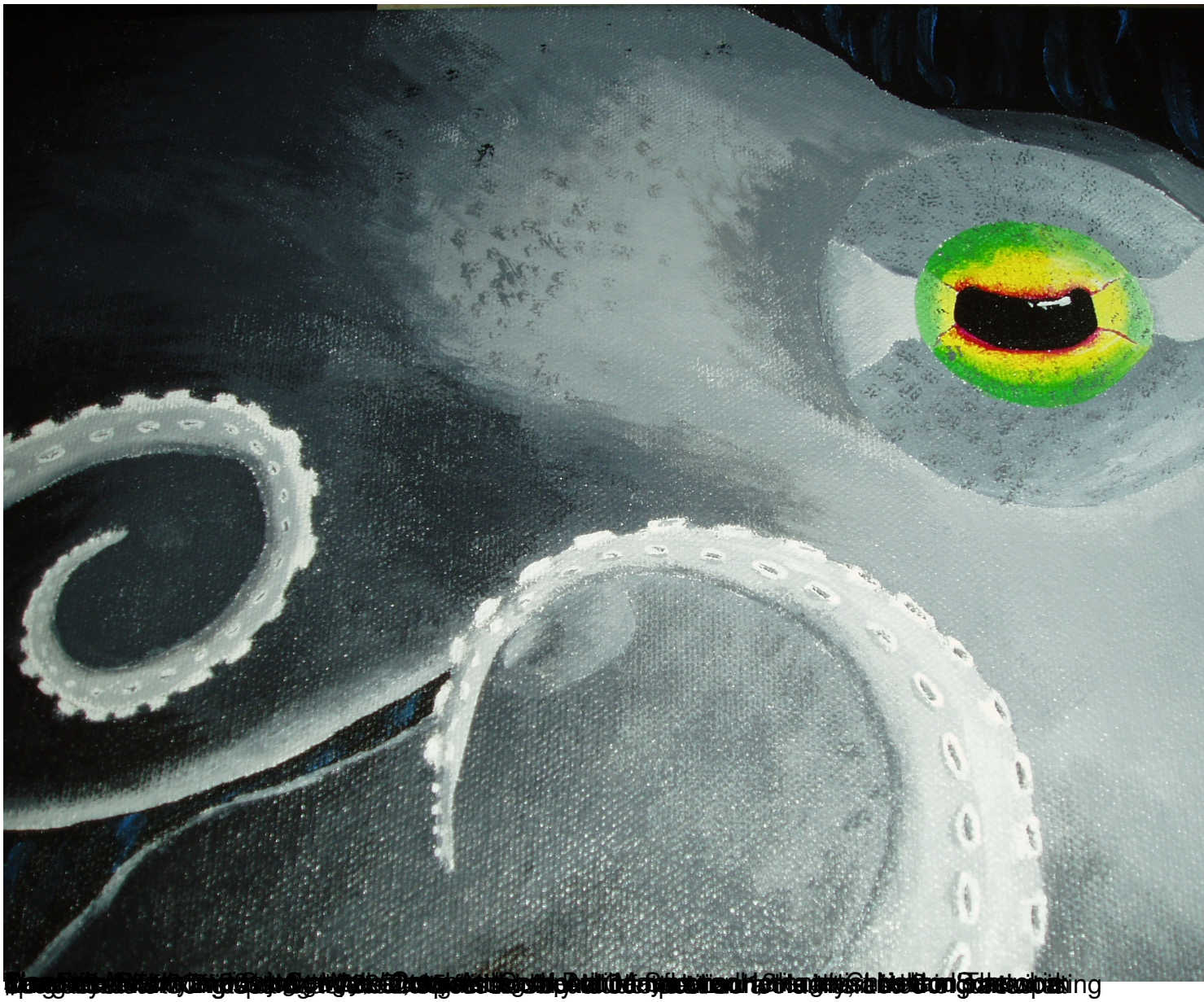
Washington, DC - Congressman Steve King (R-IA) today announced that Hannah Nelson of Shannon City has won the 2011 Congressional Art Competition for the Fifth District of Iowa. Nelson, a senior at East Union Community School, won the competition for her acrylic painting entitled "Octopus." As the Fifth District winner, Nelson's artwork will be displayed for one year in the U.S. Capitol, she and a guest will be flown to Washington, D.C. courtesy of Southwest Airlines to attend a Congressional reception, and she is eligible to receive a $1,500 per year scholarship to the Savannah College of Art and Design.

"I am pleased to offer my congratulations to Hannah Nelson for winning the Fifth District Congressional Art Competition," said King. "As the sponsor of this competition, I am always impressed by the artistic talent and creativity displayed by our high school students. Nelson's work demonstrates that she possesses an exceptional talent, and I look forward to seeing her painting on display in the U.S. Capitol building."