

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PROCLAMATION

#### HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 11, 2012*

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker,

Whereas, in the Fourth Congressional District of Georgia, there are many individuals who are called to contribute to the needs of our community through leadership and service; and

Whereas, Mrs. Melody Poole Ellis has answered that call by giving of herself as an educator at Dunaire Elementary, and as a beloved daughter, mother, wife and friend; and

Whereas, Mrs. Ellis has been chosen as the 2012 Teacher of the Year, representing Dunaire Elementary school; and

Whereas, this phenomenal woman has shared her time and talents for the betterment of our community and our nation through her tireless works, motivational speeches and words of wisdom; and

Whereas, Mrs. Ellis is a virtuous woman, a courageous woman and a fearless leader who has shared her vision, talents and passion to help ensure that our children receive an education that is relevant not only for today, but well into the future, as she truly understands that our children are the future; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize Mrs. Melody Poole Ellis for her leadership and service for our District and in recognition of this singular honor as 2012 Teacher of the Year at Dunaire Elementary School;

Now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr., do hereby proclaim April 25, 2012, as Mrs. Melody Poole Ellis Day in the 4th Congressional District.

Proclaimed, this 25th day of April, 2012.

REGARDING MAY 9, 2012  
"PRESENT" VOTE ON H.R. 4133

#### HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 11, 2012*

Ms. LEE of California. Mr. Speaker, I strongly support Israel, its rights as a nation, and its unequivocal right to defend itself. I fully support the provisions of this resolution aimed at strengthening Israel's defensive military capabilities. Unfortunately, this resolution also contains overly broad provisions that go well beyond support for those defensive capabilities. Specifically, I am concerned about provisions that include the terms "defensive articles" and "defensive services" and "specialized munitions," which security experts understand to include a vast array of offensive weapons, including bunker-buster bombs. The increased militarization of the Middle East could endan-

ger Israel's security and is a source of regional and global instability. While the bill enumerated ways the U.S. can lend military support to Israel, there was not an emphasis on achieving a negotiated peace with its neighbors. No amount of American military assistance will fully compensate for the lack of a productive and effective peace process. This bill was a missed opportunity for Congress to show balanced support for a comprehensive peace plan. The neglected Israeli-Palestinian peace process must be given stronger support by the United States, and this bill reflects the lack of U.S. leadership in achieving a lasting peace. Because of these flawed provisions, I voted present on H.R. 4133.

### HONORS TEMPLE EMANUEL ON THEIR 50TH ANNIVERSARY

#### HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 11, 2012*

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to rise today to join the many who have gathered in celebration of Temple Emanuel's 50th Anniversary. This milestone is a very special occasion, not only for the administration and members, but for the community as well.

Founded in 1962, Temple Emanuel was the vision of a group of families seeking a better quality of Jewish education for their children and an experience different from what they had found in more typical Reform congregations. Chartered by the Union of American Congregations in 1966, Temple Emanuel, under the direction of Rabbi Mark Winer, found its home on what was originally a working farm. While awaiting the construction of its sanctuary, congregants first used the barn for services and the property's home was used for the offices and as a school building.

Working with members knowledgeable in architecture, design, and finance, their Temple Emanuel's current sanctuary was completed in 1991. Rabbi Winer had introduced the concept of "services in the round," so the new sanctuary was built with movable seating to fit any occasion. Services were participatory, with animated discussion and a self published Siddur, the traditional Jewish prayer book. Rabbi Brieger, Temple Emanuel's second rabbi, continued this style of worship. A former song leader with the North American Federation of Temple Youth and codirector of the International Torah Corps, Rabbi Brieger had strong roots in the Reform movement and excellent musical skills. Under his direction, and through song and communal prayer, Temple Emanuel's congregation developed its unique style and strengthened their connection to Judaism. Temple Emanuel is currently led by Rabbi Michael Farbman who came to the congregation following Rabbi Brieger's retirement in 2009. With his dynamic guitar playing services and the creation of the Temple Emanuel

Band, whose members range from middle school to retirement age, Rabbi Farbman continues the strong musical influence of his predecessors while bringing a new joy and energy to the congregation's worship.

In addition to their religious dedication, the congregants of Temple Emanuel are also deeply concerned with their community and their work on behalf of others extends far beyond the walls of their synagogue. Their members collect and donate food to local food pantries several times a year, they have been involved with Sister City projects, and have participated in Abraham's Tent—an effort to address homelessness in which congregations volunteer to provide meals and overnight shelter to twelve homeless men for the duration of their week, alleviating overcrowding in the shelters and demonstrating support for the homeless members of our communities—since its inception. Temple Emanuel's religious school students have regular Tzedakah projects which include making gift baskets for children residing in domestic violence shelters, collecting books and school supplies for area children's programs, and raising money for animal shelters. Through all of these efforts and more, the members of Temple Emanuel have touched the lives of thousands of people in need—setting an example of service to which we should all strive.

Our houses of worship play a vital role in our communities—providing people with a place to turn to for comfort when they are most in need. In its first fifty years, there have been many who have worshiped within its halls and many who have found peace and strength in the outstretched arms of Temple Emanuel. It is with my deepest thanks and appreciation for all of their good work that I stand today to pay tribute to Temple Emanuel as they celebrate their 50th Anniversary. Their contributions have left an indelible mark on our community and a legacy that will live on for generations to come.

### UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PROCLAMATION

#### HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 11, 2012*

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker,

Whereas, Fifty years ago, DeKalb County, Georgia, was blessed with an educational institution that continues today to uplift and assist citizens in gaining knowledge to enhance their lives and the lives of others by investing in dreams; and

Whereas, In 1961, DeKalb Area Vocational School—now Georgia Piedmont Technical College—was founded to promote a student-centered environment for lifelong learning and development, encompassing academic and technical education for employment in a global community here in DeKalb County, Georgia, to service the citizens of DeKalb County and nearby communities; and

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Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.

Whereas, Georgia Piedmont Technical College has grown from one campus to nine campuses in DeKalb, Newton, Rockdale and Morgan counties; and

Whereas, Georgia Piedmont Technical College continues to be a resource for citizens in DeKalb County and throughout the state of Georgia by providing excellent community service, educational opportunities and stellar leadership; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia is officially honoring, recognizing and congratulating Georgia Piedmont Technical College on its 50th anniversary as an anchor in our District;

Now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr., do hereby proclaim April 14, 2012, as Georgia Piedmont Technical College Day in the 4th Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, this 14th day of April, 2012.

IN SUPPORT OF FUNDING FOR  
THE DEBBIE SMITH DNA BACKLOG PROGRAM

**HON. LAURA RICHARDSON**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 11, 2012*

Ms. RICHARDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my appreciation to Chairman WOLF and Ranking Member FATAH for working together to ensure that the Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program is adequately funded in the Commerce, Justice, and Science Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2013.

Given these difficult economic times, difficult choices must be made as to where scarce funds are to be allocated. Given the importance of the DNA Backlog Grant program to law enforcement agencies in my congressional district, I would have liked for the program to have received even more funding. But I am very pleased that the bill provides funding at the amount requested by the Administration, the sponsor of the authorizing legislation and my good friend, Congresswoman MALONEY from New York, and is more than eighty percent of the amount of funding I requested the Committee to provide.

The DNA Backlog Grant program provides funding to help reduce and eliminate the backlog of DNA evidence in state and local labs across the Nation. The "Justice For All Act" (P.L. 108-405) expanded the use of DNA technology to convict the guilty and free the innocent. In 2008, Congress again showed its overwhelming bipartisan support for this initiative by passing "The Debbie Smith Reauthorization Act" which extends this program through FY 2014.

There is an ever-present need to continue robust funding for programs such as the Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program in order to make sure victims do not fall through the cracks of the system.

Women who have been raped have a right to expect police to thoroughly investigate the case and prosecute the offenders; however, many rape kits across the country are never even tested, and the perpetrators never face justice. Nowhere is this problem greater than in Los Angeles County, where there is a backlog of more than 12,000 rape kits sitting untested in storage facilities. Of those kits, 499 are attached to cases past the 10-year statute

of limitations for rape in California, meaning that even if those kits are tested, the offenders cannot be tried for their crimes.

The current fiscal crisis has already hindered efforts to eliminate the backlog, as Los Angeles city officials have been denied the funds necessary for hiring crime laboratory analysts. Continued cuts, however small, will continue a trend of neglecting this pursuit of justice, and thousands of women and their families will be denied their basic security and peace of mind.

DNA evidence is critical in sexual assault cases, and I would like to highlight one recent success story from my district in Long Beach. The alleged crime occurred in August of 2003, when a 17-year-old student was sexually assaulted by a stranger on her high school campus. The DNA collected at the scene went untested for 7 years due to the laboratory's backlog, but in 2011 Redondo Beach police arrested the attacker. The DNA match showed the chance of the DNA belonging to someone else was one in a trillion, providing nearly irrefutable proof of his guilt. I ask for unanimous consent to include in the RECORD copies of newspaper stories that discuss in greater detail the importance of robust funding for the DNA initiative to reduce the backlog in Los Angeles, California.

Mr. Speaker, the DNA Initiative is an invaluable tool for law enforcement today, and it will continue to be a legislative priority of mine. That is why I am pleased that funding for this vitally important program was not reduced as so many other worthwhile programs have been. I commend my colleagues on the Committee for funding the program at the level requested by the President and those of us in this body that strongly support the program.

ZOELLICK LEAVES A LASTING  
LEGACY AT THE WORLD BANK

**HON. BETTY MCCOLLUM**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 11, 2012*

Ms. MCCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, today's global challenges demand global solutions. From poverty and hunger, to climate change and the financial crisis, the complexities of the 21st century require not only American leadership, but also effective global institutions. While the world continues to change at a rapid pace, the World Bank—with its wealth of experts and resources for fighting poverty—is a critical multilateral instrument for addressing these global challenges.

During his 5-year term, outgoing World Bank President Robert Zoellick has helped lead a turnaround at the World Bank and reestablished for the United States a key partner in advancing vital U.S. interests abroad. President Zoellick has placed new focus on pragmatic, common-sense solutions. He recognized that in order to meet the challenges of a changing world, the World Bank had to change along with it. In the last 5 years, the Bank has transitioned from a once rigid top-down approach to development, into a flexible, collaborative, and more democratic institution.

President Zoellick recognized a critical reality: that alleviating poverty is vital to economic recovery. Investments in global health, education, food security, and empowering

women and girls not only lift millions of people out of poverty, but create important sources for economic growth. These investments make the world a safer place to do business. Even as it responded to the global financial crisis, the World Bank under President Zoellick raised \$90 billion for the International Development Association, the Bank's fund for the world's poorest. The World Bank worked with developing countries to strengthen their social safety nets and build resilience to crisis, and invested in critical infrastructure to remove investment barriers.

At the World Bank, President Zoellick leaves behind a real, tangible legacy. His push to institute a "Freedom of Information Act" unleashes public innovation by allowing free, open access to the World Bank's trove of economic data. This unprecedented step has ushered in a new era of accountability and transparency. President Zoellick created the Climate Investment Funds, which have already leveraged nearly \$50 billion for practical investments in energy efficiency, technology development, and combating deforestation. These remarkable contributions will continue long after President Zoellick leaves the World Bank next month.

As co-chair of the bipartisan Caucus for Congressional-World Bank Dialogue, I look forward to working with the World Bank to continue the progress achieved during President Zoellick's tenure.

Dr. Jim Yong Kim, the World Bank's next president, should give Congress—a major investor in the World Bank—confidence that an American with a proven track record of success will be advancing this shared vision for global development. Dr. Kim's significant contributions to global health, his commitment to partnerships on the ground in developing countries, and his proven management skills will make him an effective leader of this vital multilateral institution.

Together, we can build on the innovation, accountability, and effectiveness that President Zoellick has brought to the World Bank during his successful 5-year term.

UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
PROCLAMATION

**HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 11, 2012*

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, Whereas, we are saddened by the death of Mr. Robert Lee Smith because our lives have been touched by the life of this one man; and Whereas, Mr. Robert Lee Smith's work is present in our community and his church, Hillcrest Church of Christ; being a deacon, Bible School instructor, bus driver and singer; and

Whereas, this highly effective motivator utilized his skills to aid in the growth and development of his church; and

Whereas, he gave of himself, his time and talent as he served his family, friends and community, and

Whereas, Mr. Robert Lee Smith was a husband, a son, a father, a friend and a man of great integrity who remained true to the uplifting of our community; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this

day to bestow a special recognition on Mr. Robert Lee Smith for his leadership, friendship and service to all as a citizen of great worth and so noted distinction;

Now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr., do hereby attest to the 112th Congress of the United States that Mr. Robert Lee Smith of Decatur, DeKalb County, Georgia is deemed worthy and deserving of this "Congressional Recognition" by declaring Mr. Robert Lee Smith U.S. Citizen of Distinction in the 4th Congressional District.

Proclaimed, this 15th day of April, 2012.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE,  
AND RELATED AGENCIES APPRO-  
PRIATIONS ACT, 2013

SPEECH OF

**HON. TOM LATHAM**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, May 10, 2012*

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 5326) making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes:

Mr. LATHAM. Mr. Chair, because of limited funding resources, the Subcommittee was not able to provide funding, as requested by the Office of Juvenile Justice, for a needed evidence-based competitive juvenile justice demonstration grant program. This type of a program would allow for new, innovative practices that may well lead to comprehensive change which, in turn, would likely produce better outcomes in treating at-risk juveniles.

A number of Members requested that the Subcommittee consider amending the Administration request to provide, within existing levels of funding in this bill, competitive grant program funding for qualified non-profit, private youth and family service organizations that can provide an Integrated Continuum of treatment services and programs for at-risk youth and their families.

We believe this approach is still important because it is estimated that 70 percent of youth in the juvenile justice system suffer from mental health issues, substance abuse, and/or learning disabilities. Most of these juveniles require an integrated, comprehensive treatment in order to allow them to succeed within their peer groups and families, in school, on jobs, or in their communities. Just as important, the families of most at-risk juveniles also require services and treatment programs to ensure that a juvenile's home environment is addressed.

There is a wide range of existing national, regional and state-wide, nonprofit qualified youth and family serving organizations that can provide evidenced-based, integrated continuum treatment services and programs for at-risk juveniles and their families. However most, if not all, of the existing program funding opportunities only provide funding for limited services and treatments for at-risk juveniles. They do not allow, where necessary, services and treatment programs for the families of juveniles.

Using an integrated continuum is critical to providing programs and services (including

mental health and drug treatment), for both juveniles and their families, that will result in juveniles being permanently returned to improved home environments and becoming productive citizens. Early evidence suggests that an integrated approach is preferable to isolated and limited programs, because the integrated approach shows more promising potential for keeping youth out of the juvenile justice system and avoiding further arrest and recidivism.

Mr. Chair, I hope we can work with you, through the process, as your bill moves forward, to see if we can find a way to dedicate some resources to this integrated continuum of comprehensive services and treatment programs for both at-risk juveniles and their families.

UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REP-  
RESENTATIVES PROCLAMATION

**HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 11, 2012*

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker,

Whereas, White's Chapel United Methodist Church has been and continues to be a beacon of light to our county for the past one hundred forty-two years; and

Whereas, Pastor Harold Cobb and the members of the White's Chapel United Methodist Church family today continues to uplift and inspire those in our county; and

Whereas, the White's Chapel United Methodist Church family has been and continues to be a place where citizens are touched spiritually, mentally and physically through outreach ministries and community partnership to aid in building up our District; and

Whereas, this remarkable and tenacious Church of God has given hope to the hopeless, fed the needy and empowered our community for the past one hundred forty two (142) years, being organized in 1870 after Captain White donated two acres of land to a small group of former slaves in order for them to continue to worship together as a congregation; and

Whereas, White's Chapel has produced many spiritual warriors, people of compassion, people of great courage, fearless leaders and servants to all, but most of all visionaries who have shared not only with their Church, but with Rockdale County their passion to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize the White's Chapel United Methodist Church family for their leadership and service to our District on this the 142nd Anniversary of their founding;

Now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr., do hereby proclaim March 25, 2012 as White's Chapel United Methodist Church Day in the 4th Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, this 25th day of March, 2012.

NEW HOPE: IN HONOR OF AN  
AMERICAN HERO, CORPORAL  
MARK LITYNSKI, 3-5 LIMA COM-  
PANY, MARINE CORPS

**HON. TIMOTHY J. WALZ**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 11, 2012*

Mr. WALZ of Minnesota. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following for the RECORD:

NEW HOPE

From out of that darkness of most evil war!  
From out of that pain and such heartache  
that one must endure!

From out of that death and destruction,  
and oh such suffering of all the more!  
As from out of this most dreadful of gores!  
Come, all of those and their loved ones . . .  
whose daily lives are but filled with such an-  
guish for sure!

And from out of all of this,  
must now all somehow, somehow so endure!  
To find the strength and the courage, to re-  
build with not much more!

Then Hope to insure!  
As comes their most swollen of tears so for  
sure!

That which their Mothers and Fathers,  
their so Sisters and Brothers,  
and their Husbands and Wives,  
and all of their most precious of all Children  
whose eyes must now pour!

And just when all so seems lost!  
All out of this darkness of war, with its most  
tragic of all costs!

With but nothing so left,  
but to so cling to Hope to so bless!  
To so give us the strength to take just one  
more most courageous of steps!

But, comes only our very best of the best!  
Our most brightest of all lights, as are you  
Mark so yes!

So shining above all of the rest!  
Such brilliance, to all of our souls to caress!  
That with all of your courage Mark,  
our Nation you have so blessed!  
Bringing Hope, from out of your most mag-  
nificent heart's breath!

So splendid and pure, so very special for  
sure!

Giving us Hope!  
With something which so reaches so deep  
down inside all of our souls!

To have and to hold, which so helped you to  
so somehow endure!

While, against all the odds Mark . . . your  
victory it now so insured!

With that kind of Hope, that which so let's  
one so march off to war!

And come back home from a battlefields of  
honor so injured,  
and still somehow to give more!

With Such New Hope!  
All In Your Profiles In Courage!  
All in what you so bore!

Teaching us all, what Heaven is for!  
And Heather, your most magnificent wife!  
all in her devotion and love, and so selfless  
sacrifice!

Standing by her Man!  
Bringing tears to even our Lord eyes!  
Yes Mark, with all of your Hope and fine  
faith . . .

You have, to all of us so shown us the way!  
Because, no matter the cost . . .  
your fine heart would never so wave!

As we've so watched you Mark,  
so heroically moving onward day after day!  
To So Teach Us!

To So Reach Us!  
To So Beseech Us!  
All in what your fine heart has all to say!

All in your Most Splendid Shades of Green  
. . .

Ooo . . . Rah, Jar Head!  
 For you are but a Marine's Marine!  
 Because, all in you . . .  
 There Is New Hope for all human beings!  
 And you and your family,  
 are some of the best things that this county  
 has ever seen!  
 Coming back without an arm and both of  
 your legs . . .  
 Teaching us all about,  
 what the word selfless sacrifice all so con-  
 veys!  
 As on that morning when you so awoke . . .  
 All there in that darkness,  
 as it was there somehow that you so found  
 such Hope!  
 That so gave you the strength,  
 all in what your fine heart so meant . . .  
 but to so help your fine soul to somehow to  
 cope!  
 Showing us all,  
 the very meaning of the word Hope!  
 And as we look into your eyes,  
 it's the tears we now find . . .  
 As so easily you could of so given up,  
 or so given in and so died!  
 And yet instead,  
 you so chose all in your most gallant heart  
 to so keep Hope alive!  
 Because, just in a few short month's my son  
 . . .  
 Marine . . . already, look what you've done!  
 And look at all of what you've so begun!  
 As you've climbed mountains!  
 Took beaches!  
 Won major battles, to so beseech us!  
 So Fearless! So Brave!  
 For Mark, you are one of America's greatest  
 of all son's!  
 And you and your fine wife,  
 shining there ever so bright . . .  
 have so shone us all how so to behave!  
 As you've come so far and so fast,

all from that grave of a past!  
 Shining like a Star,  
 to so carry our heart's far!  
 Yea Mark . . . That's who you are, A Shining  
 Star!  
 A Star of Hope!  
 And as long as one finds, so very deep down  
 inside . . .  
 That kind of courage and strength!  
 From all of that Hope and what it so meant!  
 Then, so surely, there is no mountain that  
 we can not so climb!  
 With New Hope we will find!

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PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. ANNA G. ESHOO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 11, 2012*

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker. On May 8, 2012, I inadvertently voted "yes" on rollcall vote number 210 (Grimm amendment to H.R. 5326) when I meant to vote "no."

I would like to correct for the record that I wanted to vote "no" on rollcall vote 210.

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UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PROCLAMATION

**HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, May 11, 2012*

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, Whereas, in the Fourth Congressional District of Georgia, there are many individuals

who are called to contribute to the needs of our community through leadership and service; and

Whereas, Ms. Shundra Y. Nephew has answered that call by giving of herself as an educator at Edward L. Bouie, Sr., Elementary Traditional Theme School, and as a beloved daughter, granddaughter and friend; and

Whereas, Ms. Nephew has been chosen as the 2012 Teacher of the Year, representing Edward L. Bouie, Sr., Elementary Traditional Theme School; and

Whereas, this phenomenal woman has shared her time and talents for the betterment of our community and our nation through her tireless works, motivational speeches and words of wisdom; and

Whereas, Ms. Nephew is a virtuous woman, a courageous woman and a fearless leader who has shared her vision, talents and passion to help ensure that our children, receive an education that is relevant not only for today, but well into the future, as she truly understands that our children are the future; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize Ms. Shundra Y. Nephew for her leadership and service for our District and in recognition of this singular honor as 2012 Teacher of the Year at Edward L. Bouie, Sr., Traditional Theme Elementary School;

Now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr. do hereby proclaim March 30, 2012, as Ms. Shundra Y. Nephew Day in the 4th Congressional District.

Proclaimed, this 30th day of March, 2012.