

I extend my deepest congratulations to The Lariat Loop for this well deserved recognition from the Greater Golden Chamber of Commerce. I am proud to have this historic byway in my community.

TRIBUTE TO MRS. DANNIE G.  
HOLLIS

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

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 12, 2013*

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following Proclamation.

Whereas, Ninety years ago a virtuous woman of God was born in rural Georgia on October 24, 1922; and

Whereas, Mrs. Dannie G. Hollis was born to inspire and motivate, she was educated in the local school system in Georgia, obtained secondary educational degrees from West Georgia College, Georgia State University, Piedmont Hospital/Emory University and the University of Georgia; and

Whereas, this Phenomenal Proverbs 31 woman has shared her time and talents as a Wife, Mother, Grandmother and Medical Technologist, giving the citizens of Georgia a person of great worth, a fearless leader and a servant to all who wants to advance the lives of others; and

Whereas, Mrs. Hollis has been blessed with a long, happy life, devoted to helping others through her service in her community and profession; and

Whereas, Mrs. Hollis along with her family and friends are celebrating this day a remarkable milestone, her 90th Birthday, we pause to acknowledge a woman who is a cornerstone in our community in DeKalb County, Georgia; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize Mrs. Hollis on her birthday and to wish her well and recognize her for an exemplary life which is an inspiration to all;

Now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR. do hereby proclaim October 24th, 2012 as Mrs. Dannie G. Hollis Day in the 4th Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, this 24th day of October, 2012.

ERA, A WATERS COMPANY

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 12, 2013*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor ERA, A Waters Company, for receiving the Greater Golden Chamber of Commerce Chairman's Award.

ERA moved into their new facilities in Golden from another metro community in December of 2011, but it didn't take ERA long to get involved in Golden. In addition to contributing a great deal to the overall economic vitality of the Greater Golden Area, ERA has a real passion to help others, and Soles4Souls became a project Carl Craig, ERA President, stepped forward to assist. He offered Soles4Souls, a

charity that collects and distributes shoes to people in need, room in their warehouse at ERA to store shoes. Well, 110,000 pairs of shoes later, the offer still stands with great gratitude.

I extend my deepest congratulations to ERA, A Waters Company, for their well deserved recognition from the Greater Golden Chamber of Commerce. I have no doubt they will exhibit the same integrity and dedication in all future accomplishments.

TRIBUTE TO TONI CHILDRESS

**HON. PAUL C. BROWN**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 12, 2013*

Mr. BROWN of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Ms. Toni Childress, a compassionate advocate for children and families in northeast Georgia. For seven years, Ms. Childress has served as executive director for Family Connection and Communities In Schools of Stephens County, Incorporated. The mission of the organization is simple—to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life.

Under her leadership, Family Connection and Community In Schools, FCCIS, has encouraged children to accomplish more than they ever thought possible through effective literacy and tutoring programs, as well as a powerful mentoring program. Of the latter, one student shared, "My mentor has helped me to follow my dreams and keep my goals high." This sincere expression of one student is reason enough to honor Ms. Childress. However, she is one who goes above and beyond the required assignment.

Where Ms. Childress sees a need, she will rise to the occasion to find a solution. When a social worker approached her about the lack of warm winter clothing for several students, Ms. Childress organized a successful coat drive. Now, in its fourth year, FCCIS distributes more than seven hundred coats to children and adults throughout Stephens County. Similarly, when Ms. Childress learned that there is an alarming rate of child abuse and neglect in her community, she quickly organized monthly workshops with the acknowledgment that change begins with awareness.

For this reason, it is my honor to acknowledge Ms. Toni Childress for the significant contributions she has made to her community. Whether it is providing gift certificates for student vision exams or welcome bags for newborn babies, Ms. Childress is passionate about making a difference. On behalf of the United States Congress, I applaud her great work and wish continued success for Family Connection and Communities In Schools of Stephens County, Incorporated.

CHRIS QUOYESER

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 12, 2013*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Chris Quoyeser

for receiving the Greater Golden Chamber of Commerce Ambassador of the Year Award.

This award is given each year to an individual who is a member of the Chamber Ambassadors. This individual has been very active in promoting the Chamber in several ways such as attending ribbon cuttings, grand openings, ground breakings, mentoring new Chamber members, attending Chamber functions, helping at the Chamber Back Yard BBQ, and the list goes on. Chris has been a Chamber Ambassador for several years and accepts all challenges with a positive attitude and a can do spirit.

In addition to running a very successful business, Chris is always available when called upon. His dedication to the Golden makes him a real asset to the community.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Chris Quoyeser for his well deserved recognition from the Greater Golden Chamber of Commerce. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all his future accomplishments.

IN MEMORY OF OUR MOTHER:  
MRS. BARBARA JEAN LEVETT

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

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, February 12, 2013*

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I submit the following.

One of God's greatest gifts is to know your mother

For she loves you, guides you and molds you like no other

Her wisdom that she bestows on you is that from Heaven above

The serenity you have by being in her presence is that of a dove

Our mother has that joy that touches everyone she meets

Her kindness is so precious and her love is oh so sweet

To hear her voice in a time of need seems to make everything alright

It's nice to know that she has your best interest by sending up prayers at night

Being a mother, grandmother and a great grandmother

Our family was blessed to receive a love like no other

A Proverbs 31 woman best describes our mother to us

Always so giving, always cheerful and never making a fuss

The quality times that she shared with us are priceless moments in time

She will always be in our hearts, near us in spirit and in our thoughts when we reminisce in our mind

The bond that she has with her family is that like no other

We pray for God to comfort us in understanding and peace during the home going of our dear Mother

For the Family of Mrs. Barbara Jean Levett.

For Mrs. Barbara Jean Levett.

Sunrise: January 1, 1933—Sunset: November 3, 2012.

Penned November 4, 2012 by Eric Charles.