

TRIBUTE TO DONNIE A. BRYANT

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

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 13, 2011*

Mr. JOHNSON, of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, Whereas, Twenty two years ago a tenacious man of God accepted his calling to serve in the corporate world of South Central Bell, BellSouth and AT&T; and

Whereas, Mr. Donnie A. Bryant began his career in 1981 serving in various positions with the company and serving in various cities in the United States, cities such as Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Lafayette, Louisiana, New Orleans, Louisiana, Birmingham, Alabama, Conyers, Georgia and Atlanta, Georgia; and

Whereas, Mr. Bryant has shared his time and talents, giving the citizens of our District a friend to help those in need, a community leader and a servant to all who wants to insure that the system works for everyone; and

Whereas, Mr. Donnie A. Bryant is a cornerstone in our community that has enhanced the lives of thousands for the betterment of our District and Nation; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize Mr. Donnie A. Bryant on his retirement from AT&T and to wish him well in his new endeavors;

Now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR. do hereby proclaim June 5, 2011 as Mr. Donnie A. Bryant Day in the 4th Congressional District. Proclaimed, this 5th day of June, 2011.

RECOGNIZING DR. MARION J. BROOKS AND THE NAMING OF THE DR. MARION J. BROOKS BUILDING

**HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 13, 2011*

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the contributions of Dr. Marion Jackson Brooks, an individual fondly known as "Dr. Jack," a name not only synonymous with medical care among Fort Worth's African-American community, but also the community at large. As a lifelong resident of the City of Fort Worth, he was a devoted family man, a generous and caring physician, a tireless advocate for social justice and a steadfast friend. His legacy of community service has been immortalized in Fort Worth through the naming of the Tarrant County Health Building in his honor.

Jack Brooks was the third of four boys born to Roy and Eula Brooks, graduating from I.M. Terrell High School in 1936. A born leader, he became commander of the ROTC while attending Prairie View A & M College, a service that presaged his role in World War II as an army First Lieutenant.

On Christmas Day, 1945, Jack married the former Marie Louise Norris and shortly thereafter moved to Washington D.C. where he received an honorable discharge and enrolled in Medical School at Howard University. He graduated 5th in the medical school class in 1951 and returned to Fort Worth with his wife

and four children to begin practicing medicine in Fort Worth's black business district.

From this vantage point, he recognized the broad needs of his community beyond the delivery and access to quality health care and encouraged and helped politically organize the African-American community through dissemination of information, programs, voter registration and organization.

Dr. Brooks worked toward expanding access and equality for his community. Initiatives he worked and advocated for included integration of Fort Worth's hospitals and public school district, serving as co-founder and the first president of the Sickle Cell Anemia Association of Texas, and service on boards and commissions devoted to his alma mater, Prairie View. Additionally he worked to expand economic opportunities as head of the local Urban League chapter and toward expanding political empowerment as a founding organizer of the Tarrant County Precinct Workers Council.

He expanded his medical practice with his brother Donald through the establishment of the Brooks Clinic in Fort Worth's Morningside Community, a full-service medical facility in the heart of the African-American community. In this neighborhood he and his wife established a home for what had now expanded to a family of five children and organized the Morningside United Methodist Church in their living room in 1962. From this foundation he served over 30 years as Sunday school teacher.

Dr. Brooks also contributed to the McDonald Branch Y.M.C.A., Free and Accepted Masons-Prince Hall, Ft. Worth Chamber of Commerce, the Ft. Worth Symphony Orchestra and served as the first African-American member of the Parks and Recreation Board of the City of Ft. Worth. He was also a professional affiliate of the Tarrant county Medical Society, American Association of Family Practice Physicians, and the National Medical Association. He was also a member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, NAACP and SNCC.

Through his medical practice and his life, Dr. Brooks remained committed to the underrepresented and underprivileged. He accepted his role of service as a physician within the African-American community and broadened the responsibility to speak out for the rights of its citizens as an elder statesman, impacting the lives before closing his story of service to God, family and community on March 3, 2003.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize Dr. Brooks contributions to the City of Fort Worth and to celebrate the naming of the Dr. Marion J. Brooks Building. He has enriched the city, county and state which I am honored to represent.

HONORING SUKANYA ROY

**HON. TOM MARINO**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 13, 2011*

Mr. MARINO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of my constituent, Miss Sukanya Roy, to celebrate her victory in the Scripps National Spelling Bee. Sue, as she is more commonly known, is currently an eighth grader at Abington Heights Middle School. She lives in South Abington Township with her father Abhi Roy,

a professor at Scranton University, and her mother Mousumi Roy, a professor at the Pennsylvania State University.

Sue is an avid member of her school's Ecology Club and plays the violin in the school orchestra. Outside of academia, Sue enjoys indoor rock climbing, ice skating, and playing the piano. She is also fluent in Bengali and keeps in touch with her heritage by traveling to India every summer.

This was the third consecutive year that Sue participated in the National Spelling Bee, having finished in the top twenty in previous years. This year Sue said she knew every word and did not guess once. Sue was crowned this year's champion after correctly spelling "CYMOTRICHOUS," a word of Greek origin relating to having wavy hair.

Although she is just about to enter high school, Sue wants to pursue a career in International Relations and hopes to bring an end to world poverty and hunger.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Sukanya Roy and ask my colleagues to join me in praising her achievement as the 84th Scripps National Spelling Bee Champion.

IN HONOR OF JENNEFER LLOYD SANTEE WINEMAN

**HON. SAM FARR**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 13, 2011*

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Jennefer Lloyd Santee Wineman. Jennefer was a gracious, loving and strikingly beautiful woman who generously gave her time and talents in an effort to better the lives of those around her whom she loved. She passed away on November 26, 2010.

Jennefer was born on May 15, 1931 in Montreal Canada, but soon moved to Carmel, California where she later became a proud U.S. citizen. In the beautiful backdrop of cypress trees and glowing sunsets, Jennefer flourished and graduated from Carmel High School in 1949 earning the "Gold C" award, which was given to an outstanding scholastic female student. It was during my years at Carmel High School that I really became close with Jennefer, through her younger sister Cindy. Following Carmel High, Jennefer attended Stanford University where she met Nathaniel Baylis and they soon were married. Jennefer and "Nat" were blessed with two wonderful sons, Owen and Lloyd. Those closest to her have said that her most natural and intuitive gift was that of being a wonderful, caring mother.

In addition to being a loving wife and mother, Jennefer helped pioneer a revolutionary form of education. She became a teacher at the Charles Armstrong School for the dyslexic, a school which specifically caters to the needs of children who require a different method of teaching. Education became Jennefer's passion and led her to play a pivotal role in the establishment of Chartwell School in Carmel. Through her dedication to improving the lives of her students and their families, Jennefer molded Chartwell school into one of the premier special education institutions. After completing her long held dream of providing Chartwell with its own independent campus, families from across America began to relocate to the Central Coast just to have their