was the third female graduate of the Medical College of Georgia in 1928; the only woman in her class. After her marriage to Mr. Denmark she moved to Atlanta to work at Grady Hospital. When Egleston Childrens Hospital opened, she became its first intern. Dr. Denmark conducted research on whooping cough in the early 1930s, which led to the modern-day DPT vaccination.

While Dr. Denmark appears extremely fragile, she opens her office five days a week from 8 a.m. till late, with no receptionist, nurse or appointment book; just a sign-in sheet on a table. If one of her patients calls, no matter if it is two in the morning or on the weekend, she will meet them in her office.

Dr. Denmark had planned to retire when she was 87, but because of her dedication and love of medicine, she decided only to semi-retire. She is now seeing 15 to 25 patients a day, does all of her filing and testing, answers her own phone, and charges all of $8.00 per visit. If you can't afford even that, there will be no charge.

Dr. Leila Denmark has been honored throughout Georgia for her accomplishments (including the Atlanta Gaslight Award), has appeared on many local and national television shows, such as “Good Morning America,” and in national magazines such as “Ladies Home Journal” and “Family Circle.” She has also written a book entitled “Every Child Deserves A Chance.” She is a shining example of a great American and a Great Georgian, and I am proud to salute her.

TRIBUTE TO ADELANTE EAGLE AWARD RECIPIENT IRENE TOVAR

HON. JOE BACA
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, June 7, 2001

Mr. BACA. Mr. Speaker, I rise to salute Irene Tovar, a recipient of the 2001 Adelante Eagle Award.

Adelante and the California Migrant Leader­ship Council is dedicated to empowering the Latino community in California by developing opportunities in education, economic development and the political process.

The Adelante Eagle Award is presented annually to individuals who have made a commitment to California and have made positive contributions to the betterment of our community.

Past Eagle Award recipients include Congress­man Joe Baca, Congresswoman Grace Napolitano, Educators Mario Muñiz, Carolyn and Jim Bartleson, Jim White, Business persons Mary Lou Gomez and Maria Dolores Andrade, just to name a few.

Ms. Tovar is Executive Director of the Latin­o American Civic Association, an organization she co-founded in 1960. Since then Ms. Tovar has dedicated herself to empowering a strong Latino community. Her efforts have led to the establishment of various programs and services, which have provided a strong foundation for the advancement of Latinos not just in the San Fernando Valley but also throughout the State of California.

Her commitment to community issues has resulted in the founding of the San Fernando Valley Neighborhood Legal Services and serving on various boards, task force and commissions.

Ms. Tovar’s accomplishments have been recognized by various state and city agencies as well as community organizations. She has been the recipient of many honors and awards including the City of Los Angeles City Council Pioneering Woman Award, California State University, Northridge Distinguished Alumni Award, Comision Femení’s Woman of the Year, Los Angeles County Commission on the Status of Woman “Woman of the Year” Award, KLVE Feria de la Muier Outstanding Latina of the Year, L.A. Times “Newsmaker for 1999”, Cal-State Northridge La Raza Alumni Association Outstanding Alumni Award, USC El Centro Chicano Cuauhtemoc Award, MALDEF Employment Award, U.S. Congress­ional Commendation, and the Los Angeles City Employees Chicano Association Recognition Award, just to name a few.

For all she has done on behalf of the Latino community, we salute Irene Tovar.

TRIBUTE TO EVANSTON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL CHESS TEAM

HON. JANICE D. SCHAKOWSKY
OF ILLINOIS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, June 7, 2001

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to extend congratulations and best wishes to the Evanston Township High School Chess Team for winning its 3rd state championship in four years.

This year’s state meet was held on March 23–24 and the Wildcats team scored 396.5 out of a possible 475 points. Juniors Yahshua Hosch (6–0–1) and Ben Yamnoff earned first-place individual records, freshman Joseph Pekovic placed third, sophomores Daniel Summerhayes and Mark Aburano-Meister both took fourth place, and senior David Summerhayes placed eighth. Other members of the championship team include junior Gershon Bieler, senior Aaron Walsman, sophomore Tyler Drendel and freshman Amelia Townsend.

Mr. Speaker, James Tillmon has devoted his life to helping others. As such, he is more than worthy of receiving our recognition today. I hope that all my colleagues will join me in honoring this truly remarkable man.