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Bill honoring "Granny D" is signed into law

Prime sponsor Sen. Molly Kelly on hand to help honor a woman of distinction

(Concord) With an enthusiastic stroke of his pen, Governor John Lynch signed SB 173 into law today making January 24, 2012, "Granny D Day" in New Hampshire. Prime sponsor Sen. Molly Kelly, D-Keene, stood by Lynch's side for the ceremony and received the pen that made the bill law. Kelly delivered the following remarks:

"Today, by this signing of SB 173, we honor the outstanding life of Doris Haddock, known to all world-wide as "Granny D."

"It is only appropriate that we observe this January 24, 2012 as Granny D. Day in order to remember and remind ourselves of this very special woman who felt so passionate about democracy that she walked across the United States at the age of 90 to draw attention and speak about how important it is that every citizen have the opportunity to run for a political election, whether they are rich or poor.

"Granny D. is known for her unending work and her impact on our election process, not only here in New Hampshire, but also across our entire nation. She has been honored and recognized in our U.S. Government, working with United States Senators in a bi-partisan manner for fair elections and equal representation. Granny D. believed that we all as citizens of this great country have a voice, and a voice that deserved to be heard.

"Granny D. passed away at age 100 and never quit believing that one individual could make a difference and she has showed us how to do just that.

"Because of her remarkable legacy, outstanding leadership and her significant impact on her county and her state, it is only deserving this January 24, 2012 be proclaimed to honor Granny D. in New Hampshire."

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