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A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. McKEON. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 2535.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

CARLOS J. MOORHEAD POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. MCHUGH. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 681) to designate the U.S. Post Office building located at 313 East Broadway in Glendale, CA, as the "Carlos J. Moorhead Post Office Building."

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 681

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. DESIGNATION.

The United States Post Office building located at 313 East Broadway in Glendale, California, shall be known and designated as the "Carlos J. Moorhead Post Office Building".

SEC. 2. REFERENCES.

Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the building referred to in section 1 shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Carlos J. Moorhead Post Office Building".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New York [Mr. MCHUGH] and the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. FATTAH] each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York [Mr. MCHUGH].

Mr. MCHUGH. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, H.R. 681 was introduced by the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. HYDE]. As has been noted, the legislation designates the U.S. Post Office building located at 313 East Broadway in Glendale, CA, as the Carlos J. Moorhead Post Office Building and honors a colleague with whom many of us in this body were very familiar.

Madam Speaker, though the sponsor of the bill, Mr. HYDE, is from Illinois, the measure did receive, as required by the committee rules, the support of the entire House delegation from the State of California, where the office is located, and many other friends and colleagues of Mr. Moorhead.

Madam Speaker, Mr. Moorhead, as we all know, represented and served in this body with distinction from 1972 until he retired in 1997. Mr. Moorhead was a member of the Committee on the Judiciary and then became chairman of

the Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property. He is a native Californian, having been born in Long Beach and attending public school in Glendale, receiving a B.A. from UCLA and a J.D. from the University of Southern California School of Law in Los Angeles. Former Representative Moorhead is a veteran of World War II and a retired judge advocate lieutenant colonel.

Madam Speaker, I have a longer statement that I will submit for the RECORD. I will end my comments at this time by saying I am very pleased that the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. HYDE] has acted to honor a dear friend and a very distinguished colleague, Congressman Moorhead. Those of us who had the opportunity and the privilege of serving with him knew him as a hard-working legislator, an honorable man and a good friend. I think this is the kind of tribute that this House makes that is so appropriate and so fitting.

Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. FATTAH. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume. Let me join with the gentleman from New York in support of this measure. I think it is appropriate and fitting that this House take notice of the fine work of our colleague in this manner. I want to congratulate the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. HYDE], the chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary, for offering this legislation.

Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. MCHUGH. Madam Speaker, let me first acknowledge and express my appreciation to the ranking member, the gentleman from Pennsylvania, as always for his leadership and his assistance in this and all matters involving the subcommittee. I deeply appreciate his support and his hard work.

Madam Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from North Carolina [Mr. COBLE] for some comments about a friend and colleague.

Mr. COBLE. Madam Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding me this time. I also express my appreciation to the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. HYDE] of the Committee on the Judiciary for having introduced this bill and the committee of jurisdiction for having expeditiously handled it.

During my time in the Congress, a little over a decade now, I served with Carlos Moorhead and with the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. HYDE], the chairman, on the Committee on the Judiciary and served with Carlos Moorhead during the years that he was the ranking Republican and during the term when he served as chairman of the Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property. Oftentimes, Madam Speaker, when one refers to a man, a male, a boy, or a man, as being gentle, sometimes that is perceived as being soft or being vulnerable. Carlos Moorhead was neither soft nor vulnerable, but he was, indeed, gentle. He was a

gentle man. He loved this House, and he loved the Committee on the Judiciary, and for that matter the Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property.

I think it is very fitting, I say to those who have handled the bill and I say to my friend the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. HYDE], I think it is very fitting that this bill be introduced and enacted and that that Post Office in Glendale, I have never been to Glendale, CA, one day I may ride by there and look with pride as it, is identified as the Carlos J. Moorhead Building.

Mr. FATTAH. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. TRAFICANT].

Mr. TRAFICANT. Madam Speaker, being here on the floor, I would just like to rise and pay tribute to the distinguished past chairman and also pay tribute to the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. HYDE], the current chairman, for having brought this legislation. Mr. Moorhead was a great member, a good friend. He helped a lot of people like myself and others. I just want to rise and associate myself with the remarks of the previous speaker and add my little 2 cents in commending Mr. Moorhead and congratulating him on this.

Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, I yield 5 minutes to the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. HYDE], the primary sponsor of this legislation, the distinguished chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary.

(Mr. HYDE asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HYDE. I thank the gentleman for yielding me this time. Madam Speaker, I have a prepared statement here which I will try to get through, but I just want to say this. I, in a long life have never met a nicer person than Carlos Moorhead. He was a gentleman. He had a sense of patriotism. He loved this country, he loved the law, he loved the Committee on the Judiciary, and we loved him back.

Today I rise to pay tribute to a man who dedicated his professional life to the service of this country and to the people of California. Most Members are familiar with Congressman Moorhead who served this body with distinction until his retirement at the conclusion of the 104th Congress. He was born in Long Beach, CA. He was a veteran of World War II, a retired judge advocate lieutenant colonel. Carlos was first elected to Congress in 1972 to represent the 27th District of California, which includes his hometown of Glendale where this post office is located, along with Pasadena, Burbank, La Crescenta, and San Marino.

As a member of the Committee on the Judiciary and later chairman of the Subcommittee on the Courts and Intellectual Property, Carlos led some of the most controversial and important legislative debates that we have ever had in Congress. Throughout his 24 years of service to the people of California, Carlos typified the very best of what the House has to offer, vigorous

debate by a gentleman statesman. He worked hard and was highly respected by Members on both sides of the aisle, as evidenced by the fact that all 52 members of the California delegation are cosponsors of this legislation. He proved himself to be one of the most versatile and adaptable legislators this body has seen. He consistently had the most conservative voting record of any Member of Congress, and that did not stop him from being an effective legislator during his 22-year tenure in the minority.

Always a loyal statesman, Carlos was also skilled in the art of the possible. He had a special ability to get past politics and negotiate legislation that achieved the best result possible under the circumstances. Nevertheless, after 22 years in the minority, Carlos wasted no time adapting to the majority.

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He proved to be one of the most efficient and effective subcommittee chairmen of the 104th Congress. In just 2 years, he managed to favorably report several of the most important and controversial elements of the Contract With America. He went on to break decades-old log jams of legislation in the area of patents, copyrights, trademarks, and the Federal courts.

In his short tenure as chairman of the Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, Carlos was responsible for the enactment of 14 public laws, both qualitatively and quantitatively. That was the best record of any subcommittee chairman.

I join with pride the California delegation in saluting this man of service, a great patriot, and wish him and his wife, Valerie, and his five children and grandchildren the very best.

Mr. FATTAH. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, let me again join with the chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary. I did take note while some of us were on break, he kept the home fires burning here in Washington and the committee was working.

Madam Speaker, I want to again say that in terms of this bill, that we join on this side of the aisle in recognizing the achievements of our colleague, and want to see this post office in California named after him. I am happy he was able to serve for more than two decades in the House. As a newer Member of the Congress, I look forward to one day of having that type of lengthy service.

I think it is very important to see that the experience a Member gains over those years comes to be admired by both sides of the aisle and comes to be appreciated, hopefully, throughout the country.

Madam Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. MCHUGH. Madam Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from California [Mr. ROGAN], Mr. Moorhead's successor in this Congress.

Mr. ROGAN. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding me time. I especially want to thank the distinguished chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary for bringing this very well-deserved bill to the floor.

As Carlos Moorhead's successor, I have both a benefit and a burden. It is a benefit, because I have enjoyed him not just as a friend, but as a mentor in my private and public career. It is also a burden, because he sets a very high standard of respect and accomplishment for those who follow in his footsteps.

As we walk through the Capitol, we see there is a propensity to build statues to heroes. Yet not all of our heroes are represented in statue. Although he deserves a statue, naming a post office for Carlos Moorhead is a modest way of thanking him for a job well done. In 32 years of public service, Carlos served his community and country with a sense of quiet dignity and resolve. And he did so without there ever being a hint of scandal or of impropriety. He is a man who has faithfully served his country for 24 years in this House, and in doing so he has left a lasting mark.

As I meet both veteran and new Members of Congress, I have found that if I want to ingratiate myself, I simply tell them that I took Carlos Moorhead's place. Invariably this introduction brings a smile and a nod of appreciation for both Carlos as a friend, and for Carlos as a colleague.

Mr. Speaker, it is a great honor to join with so many distinguished Members of this House in paying tribute to a great Congressman, a great public servant, a great friend, and most of all, a great American. This bill is a fitting tribute to a well-deserving public servant, the Honorable Carlos J. Moorhead of California.

Mr. MCHUGH. Madam Speaker, I am honored to yield two minutes to the gentleman from California [Mr. MCKEON].

Mr. MCKEON. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank the gentleman from Illinois, Chairman HYDE, of the Committee on the Judiciary for bringing forth this bill, the gentleman from New York, Chairman MCHUGH, and the ranking member, the gentleman from Pennsylvania, Mr. FATTAH, for their expeditious handling of the bill to bring it to the floor in this timely manner.

Madam Speaker, I just was thinking while people were talking. I was thinking about Carlos Moorhead. He was the first Congressman I had the pleasure of meeting in my lifetime. I was the mayor of our city and he was our Congressman.

I was at work one day and received a phone call from our receptionist who said, "There is a Congressman out front that would like to meet you." I did not know how to act or how to react to that, but I invited him to come into the office. Those of you who are colleagues who know Carlos know how quiet and unassuming he was. He came in, introduced himself, and we

had a nice chat. That began a strong friendship.

To me, Carlos represents all that is great about the House of Representatives. As has been mentioned, he had an unimpeachable character. He served this House and his countrymen for many years with great dignity. He practiced his Christian principles that he believed in. He was a humble, unassuming man. As was said earlier by the gentleman from North Carolina [Mr. COBLE], he was a true gentleman.

The greatest praise my dad could give to someone was that he was a real gentleman. I cannot think of anything greater to say about Carlos.

He was great to work with. He helped me very much in assuming my role here. He was my Congressman. I replaced part of his district when we had the reapportionment in 1992.

Madam Speaker, I am happy to see this done. I have been to Glendale many times. I am happy this Post Office will be named after him. I know the people of that district will love to see this named after him, and they appreciate all the things he did for them.

Mr. MCHUGH. Madam Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and, with a final urging to my colleagues to support this very worthwhile legislation for a very distinguished colleague, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. COBLE). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New York [Mr. MCHUGH] that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 681.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on the bill just passed, H.R. 681.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

OSCAR GARCIA RIVERA POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 282) to designate the U.S. Post Office building located at 153 East 110th Street, New York, NY, as the "Oscar Garcia Rivera Post Office Building".

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 282

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. DESIGNATION.

The United States Post Office building located at 153 East 110th Street, New York, New York, shall be known and designated as