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COLTSVILLE STUDY ACT OF 2003

Mr. RENZI. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill (S. 233) to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of Coltsville in the State of Connecticut for potential inclusion in the National Park System.

The Clerk read as follows:

S. 233

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Coltsville Study Act of 2003".

SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds that—

(1) Hartford, Connecticut, home to Colt Manufacturing Company (referred to in this Act as "Colt"), played a major role in the Industrial Revolution;

(2) Samuel Colt, founder of Colt, and his wife, Elizabeth Colt, inspired Coltsville, a community in the State of Connecticut that flourished during the Industrial Revolution and included Victorian mansions, an open green area, botanical gardens, and a deer park;

(3) the residence of Samuel and Elizabeth Colt in Hartford, Connecticut, known as "Armsmear", is a national historic landmark, and the distinctive Colt factory is a prominent feature of the Hartford, Connecticut, skyline;

(4) the Colt legacy is not only about firearms, but also about industrial innovation and the development of technology that would change the way of life in the United States, including—

(A) the development of telegraph technology; and

(B) advancements in jet engine technology by Francis Pratt and Amos Whitney, who served as apprentices at Colt;

(5) Coltsville—

(A) set the standard for excellence during the Industrial Revolution; and

(B) continues to prove significant—

(i) as a place in which people of the United States can learn about that important period in history; and

(ii) by reason of the close proximity of Coltsville to the Mark Twain House, Trinity College, Old North Cemetery, and many historic homesteads and architecturally renowned buildings;

(6) in 1998, the National Park Service conducted a special resource reconnaissance study of the Connecticut River Valley to evaluate the significance of precision manufacturing sites; and

(7) the report on the study stated that—

(A) no other region of the United States contains an equal concentration of resources relating to the precision manufacturing theme that began with firearms production;

(B) properties relating to precision manufacturing encompass more than merely factories; and

(C) further study, which should be undertaken, may recommend inclusion of churches and other social institutions.

SEC. 3. STUDY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years after the date on which funds are made available to carry out this Act, the Secretary of the Interior (referred to in this Act as the "Secretary") shall complete a study of the site in the State of Connecticut commonly known as "Coltsville" to evaluate—

(1) the national significance of the site and surrounding area;

(2) the suitability and feasibility of designating the site and surrounding area as a unit of the National Park System; and

(3) the importance of the site to the history of precision manufacturing.

(b) APPLICABLE LAW.—The study required under subsection (a) shall be conducted in accordance with Public Law 91-383 (16 U.S.C. 1a-1 et seq.).

SEC. 4. REPORT.

Not later than 30 days after the date on which the study under section 3(a) is completed, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate a report that describes—

(1) the findings of the study; and

(2) any conclusions and recommendations of the Secretary.

SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this Act.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. RENZI) and the gentlewoman from the Virgin Islands (Mrs. CHRISTENSEN) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. RENZI).

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

Mr. Speaker, S. 233, introduced by Senator DODD of Connecticut and passed by the Senate earlier this year, would authorize the Secretary of Interior to conduct a suitability and feasibility study of the Coltsville site, an area within the city of Hartford, Connecticut, for the potential inclusion in the National Park System.

The Coltsville site, founded by Samuel Colt, flourished during the industrial revolution, spurring innovation in not only the production of firearms, but also with the development of technology. S. 233 is supported by the ad-

ministration, as well as the majority and minority of the subcommittee. I urge my colleagues to support S. 233.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mrs. CHRISTENSEN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, S. 233 is a Senate companion legislation to a bill, H.R. 437, introduced by the gentleman from Connecticut (Mr. LARSON), which would authorize a study of the Coltsville historic district in Connecticut. This district is located in the city of Hartford. The site, which is associated with the historically significant Colt Manufacturing Company, contains a notable number of historic resources that provide an important glimpse into the history of American industry and precision manufacturing.

At the April 8 subcommittee hearing on the House bill, the National Park Service and public witnesses testified in favor of the study. The legislation also has the support of the entire Connecticut delegation.

Mr. Speaker, I want to commend the work of the House sponsor, the gentleman from Connecticut (Mr. LARSON), on this measure. He has been a strong and effective advocate of the Coltsville community and the city of Hartford. It is our hope and intention that the study will provide Congress and the community with information on how to appropriately preserve and interpret the historic resources of the Coltsville community.

Mr. Speaker, I support the legislation and urge its adoption.

Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Connecticut (Mr. LARSON), the sponsor of this legislation.

Mr. LARSON of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentlewoman from the Virgin Islands (Mrs. CHRISTENSEN) for her kind words. I would also like to thank the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. RENZI) for his remarks. I thank as well the gentleman from California (Chairman POMBO) and the ranking member, the gentleman from West Virginia (Mr. RAHALL), for their consideration of this legislation, and the gentleman from California (Mr. RADANOVICH) for his help in assisting bringing this important legislation to the floor.

I would be remiss not to mention, as the gentlewoman did, the involvement of the entire Connecticut delegation, with special thanks to United States Senators DODD and LIEBERMAN, the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO), the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Mrs. JOHNSON), the gentleman from Connecticut (Mr. SHAYS), and the gentleman from Connecticut (Mr. SIMMONS) for their tireless efforts as well.

A hearing was conducted on this back in April with the National Park Service testifying in favor of this study going forward. We have also, as was noted by the gentlewoman, received

numerous support from State and local public officials, the State's oldest continuous published newspaper, and many civic groups, neighborhood groups, the Connecticut Historical Society and others who support this wholeheartedly.

The historical significance is paramount. This actually was the seat of the industrial revolution. Connecticut has long been known as being an arsenal for democracy dating back to our Revolution, and Samuel Colt is known most famously for the Colt 45 and the gun that won the West. What is not known in history is the effort of Elizabeth Colt.

Samuel Colt died at a very young age, and it was Elizabeth Colt who for 42 years managed this business and made it the most successful precision manufacturing business in the world at the time. It was the business to which Henry Ford came to study. It was the business in which both Pratt and Whitney were interns, and later were the pioneers of manufacturing Pratt & Whitney aircraft engines. It was here that people came to look at precision manufacturing; but Elizabeth Colt, who would have been among the Fortune top 10 at the time, did not even have the right to vote.

The gentlewoman from California (Ms. PELOSI) has talked frequently about how she was able to break through the glass ceiling and become the first to make history. Well not only did Elizabeth Colt make history, she also made a difference, as I know our leader will as well. In doing so, Elizabeth Colt was able to focus on housing concerns in the region, she was able to focus on the need to bring in assurances to help out workers in the workplace, and so she became a study not only in terms of precision manufacturing, but how to build a community around an industrial base.

It is for this reason and at the dawn of our industrial revolution, and the fact that this was the first American overseas factory, that this community enterprise of State government and the private sector is worthy of this study and, as indicated, was unanimously passed by both the Senate and by the respective committee and subcommittee in this body. I urge its support today, and thank all of those for their kind words and help in bringing this to fruition. It is an outstanding achievement for the city of Hartford and the citizens of Coltsville, and a great step forward for America in recognizing the genius of Samuel Colt and the long-overdue recognition of Elizabeth Colt.

Mrs. CHRISTENSEN. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

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

I thank the gentleman from Connecticut (Mr. LARSON) for the rich history and the articulation he shared with us today. It is truly a fitting tribute to the Colt family.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. RENZI) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 233.

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

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. RENZI. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on the nine bills just considered.

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

There was no objection.

ROBERTO CLEMENTE WALKER POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. MURPHY. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2826) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1000 Avenida Sanchez Osorio in Carolina, Puerto Rico, as the "Roberto Clemente Walker Post Office Building".

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 2826

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

SECTION 1. ROBERTO CLEMENTE WALKER POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1000 Avenida Sanchez Osorio in Carolina, Puerto Rico, shall be known and designated as the "Roberto Clemente Walker Post Office Building".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the facility referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the Roberto Clemente Walker Post Office Building.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. MURPHY) and the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. DAVIS) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. MURPHY).

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. MURPHY. 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 under consideration.

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

There was no objection.

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

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 2826, introduced by the gentleman from Puerto Rico (Mr. ACEVEDO-VILÁ) designates the U.S. Postal Service facility in Carolina, Puerto Rico, as the Roberto Clemente Walker Post Office Building. Roberto

Clemente was one of baseball's greatest heroes, both when he commanded the right fields of baseball stadiums across America, and when he was so giving of his time, energy and resources off the field. Naming this post office in Carolina, his hometown, is a wonderful tribute to a man all of us ought to never forget.

This legislation is particularly relevant to my constituents and myself because of Roberto Clemente's great years with the Pittsburgh Pirates. He played all of his 18 major league seasons in Pittsburgh, slugging 240 home runs and exactly 3,000 hits. Clemente remains the Pirates' all-time leader in at-bats and hits. Along with his hitting prowess, Pittsburghers and Pirate fans everywhere remember his cannon of an arm. Number 21 finished his career with 266 assists from the outfield, and won 12 Gold Gloves.

And at a time when we may confuse the meaning of hero, he truly fits the definition, showing sacrifice and courage and giving of himself to help others. Beyond the baseball field, Roberto Clemente took seriously his role as a community leader. He was known for his work to bring better lives to disadvantaged children all over the world. And tragically, it was his charitable conduct that led to his death. After relief supplies had failed to be sent to Nicaragua immediately following a devastating earthquake in December 1972, Clemente wanted to see to it himself that essential provisions were delivered. Roberto loaded 16,000 pounds of supplies into a DC-7 aircraft and set off for Nicaragua. The plane, apparently overloaded, crashed just off the coast of his native Puerto Rico on New Year's Eve.

Major league baseball honored Roberto Clemente the very next summer by inducting him into Baseball's Hall of Fame. He was the first player ever from Latin America to become a Hall of Famer; and today, Major League Baseball's annual Man of the Year Award is named in Roberto Clemente's honor.

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After Clemente's death, his eldest son, Roberto, Jr., sought to continue his father's benevolent legacy; and in 1993 he established the Roberto Clemente Foundation, which provides educational and recreational programs for disadvantaged youth in the Pittsburgh area. I want to commend all those involved in the work of the Roberto Clemente Foundation today.

Roberto Clemente once said, "I want to be remembered as a ball player who gave all he had to give." Off the field, perhaps more than on, today we remember Roberto Clemente as just that, a man who gave all he had to give.

Therefore, Mr. Speaker, I urge all Members to support the passage of H.R. 2826 that will name this post office after Roberto Clemente, number 21. I thank the gentleman from Puerto Rico for his work on this fitting honor for a