

will be a daily reminder to the community of his great sacrifice to his country.

I might also add that, at all the parades on Memorial Day and Veterans' Day, the community has made it very clear that this is so important to everyone concerned, so important that we do the right thing, that I really must say I am touched and grateful to my colleagues for the promptness by which this bill has passed out of committee and has come to the floor. So I want to thank everyone on both sides of the aisle who has been involved with this.

We can never bring Heinz Ahlmeyer, Jr., back, but we do always remember him personally, because he was such an exemplary young man and for what he stood for.

When I check and see, he was only 3 years older than I am right now, but, unfortunately, cut down as a very, very young man. Three years older, if he had lived, he would now be entering his late fifties or early sixties.

So we remember him. We show that we are a caring community, that we are a caring country, and this Congress is doing right by Heinz Ahlmeyer, Jr.

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I would simply commend again the gentleman from New York for introducing this legislation.

I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. GUTKNECHT. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank the gentleman from New York for bringing this bill forward. This clearly is a fitting tribute to an American hero, and I would urge all Members to support passage of H.R. 3548.

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 Minnesota (Mr. GUTKNECHT) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3548.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds of those present have voted in the affirmative.

Mr. GUTKNECHT. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

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LILLIAN MCKAY POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. GUTKNECHT. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2413) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1202 1st Street in Humble, Texas, as the "Lillian McKay Post Office Building".

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 2413

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

SECTION 1. LILLIAN MCKAY POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1202 1st Street in Humble, Texas, shall be known and designated as the "Lillian McKay 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 "Lillian McKay Post Office Building".

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

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. GUTKNECHT).

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GUTKNECHT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the bill under consideration.

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

There was no objection.

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

I rise in support of H.R. 2413, offered by the distinguished gentleman from Texas (Mr. POE). This bill would designate the post office in Humble, Texas, as the Lillian McKay Post Office Building.

As the First Lady of Humble, Texas, a small town located just northeast of Houston, Lillian McKay made an impact on the community that will be remembered forever. Officially, she became Humble's First Lady in 1971 when her husband, Dr. Haden McKay, became the mayor of that small town. Dr. McKay served the city of Humble for more than 38 years, as mayor as well as a member of the city council. One thing was for sure: Lillian McKay was always there by his side.

Her philanthropic nature has earned her several prestigious community awards, such as the Humble Area Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year, the Yellow Rose of Texas award, Family Time Women of Achievement Community Leader award and, finally, the Northeast Medical Center Hospital Foundation Gala Honoree. Lillian McKay is also closely involved with the Humble Museum as acting curator. She has been an advocate for the museum since its inception in 1976.

This lifelong Texan has given back much more to her community than can ever be documented. Long after the death of her husband, Lillian McKay is still considered the First Lady of Humble, Texas, and will always be remembered as such.

I urge all Members to join me in honoring the lifetime community achievements of this very special and generous woman.

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

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, as a member of the House Government Reform Committee, I am pleased to join with my colleague from Minnesota in consideration of H.R. 2413, legislation naming the postal facility in Humble, Texas, after Lillian McKay. This measure, which was introduced by Representative TED POE on May 17, 2005, and unanimously reported by our committee on September 15, 2005, enjoys the support and cosponsorship of the entire Texas delegation.

Lillian McKay, a native Texan, was born in Ammannsville, Texas, and grew up in Fairchilds, Texas. She married and moved with her husband to Humble, Texas.

Known as the First Lady of Humble while her husband served as mayor of Humble, Mrs. McKay has been an active member of the community and has been honored for her contributions. She has received the Humble Area Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year award and the Yellow Rose of Texas award, to name a few. She is the curator of the Humble Museum and has remained involved in the museum since its inception.

Mr. Speaker, I commend my colleague for seeking to honor Mrs. McKay in this manner and urge swift passage of this bill.

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

Mr. GUTKNECHT. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to my distinguished colleague from the State of Texas (Mr. POE).

Mr. POE. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Minnesota for yielding me this time, and I thank the gentleman from Illinois for his support of this bill.

Lillian McKay by trade was a nurse; and she met her husband, Dr. Haden McKay, a doctor in Humble, Texas, and there they have spent most of their life supporting people. She is the First Lady of Humble, Texas. She has been for a number of years, and she will always be.

The reason she is the First Lady is because she is always involved in the lives of people, young people, elderly people, all people. She does what she can every day to help someone else. She is the neighbor of the entire community.

Both she and her husband made Humble their home in 1941. In fact, she still lives in that same limestone house that he built for her in 1941. Humble, Texas, is a small, rural town north of Houston, about 27 miles. It started out as an oil field town. Oil was struck there; and one of the landmark roads of Humble, Texas, is Moonshine Hill Road. After oil was struck there, a little oil

company started called Humble Oil and Refining Company. Later they changed their name to Exxon. Humble, Texas, never chose to change their name to Exxon, Texas, however.

But Lillian McKay is a great believer in people; and she was always seen going door to door, helping out neighbors, collecting for worthy causes.

Humble, Texas, the small town that it is, is like most small towns. It is very political. But you would never know whether Miss Lillian was a Republican or a Democrat, because she always supported people that she thought would help the community and help the city of Humble, Texas. She is still involved to some extent in helping people who want to run for office and support them no matter what their party affiliation happens to be.

Miss Lillian is a great believer in history. She loves history. She loves Texas history. So she started a museum in Humble, Texas, to preserve the oil-rich heritage of the city. Back in the days when Humble was an oil boom town, she started the museum; and she has selected numerous items to preserve history, Texas history. She has been honored by every group in the State of Texas that promotes such honors for ladies like this.

So, Miss Lillian, we appreciate your service to the people of Texas, your lifelong commitment to helping others, your lifelong commitment to the community and to Humble, Texas, and to the people of Humble.

I thank both Members for their help in the sponsorship of this bill.

Mr. GUTKNECHT. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for bringing this bill to the House. Clearly, this is a woman who is richly deserving of this honor. I urge all of my colleagues to join me in support of the passage of this bill.

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 Minnesota (Mr. GUTKNECHT) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2413.

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.

ALBERT HAROLD QUIE POST OFFICE

Mr. GUTKNECHT. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3989) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 37598 Goodhue Avenue in Dennison, Minnesota, as the "Albert Harold Quie Post Office," as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 3989

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

SECTION 1. ALBERT H. QUIE POST OFFICE.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 37598

Goodhue Avenue in Dennison, Minnesota, shall be known and designated as the "Albert H. Quie Post Office".

(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 "Albert H. Quie Post Office".

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

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. GUTKNECHT).

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GUTKNECHT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the bill under consideration.

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

There was no objection.

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

I rise in support of H.R. 3989, as amended. I offer this bill together with my colleague from Minnesota (Mr. KLINE). This bill would designate the post office in Dennison, Minnesota, as the Albert H. Quie Post Office Building.

Let me tell you a little bit about Al Quie. I am privileged to know Al and have known him for a very long time. Al Quie was born on a farm in Wheeling Township in Rice County near Dennison, Minnesota, on September 8, 1923. He attended the grade schools in Nerstrand and high school in Northfield. He graduated from St. Olaf College in 1950.

Mr. Quie served as a pilot in the United States Navy from 1943 to 1945. He later became the owner and operator of a dairy farm there in Rice County. He was the clerk of the District 43 School Board from 1949 to 1952 and a supervisor for the Rice County Soil Conservation District from 1950 until 1954.

Al Quie was elected to the Minnesota State Senate in 1955, and he was elected as a Republican to the 85th Congress by a special election to fill the vacancy caused by the death of United States Representative August Andresen. He was reelected to the succeeding Congresses for 10 consecutive terms. In 1978, he left the Congress to run for Governor of Minnesota where he served from 1979 until 1983.

You cannot talk about Al Quie without talking about his wife, Gretchen, a very special woman, a loving and tender woman; and I remember her so well as the First Lady of the State of Minnesota.

But Al Quie is so many things. He was a true patriot, a very committed Christian, a loving father and husband. He was a principled public servant; and in many respects, he embodied all of the qualities that we in this House

should emulate. I think naming a post office after him in his hometown of Dennison, Minnesota, is a very, very small tribute.

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

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, as a member of the House Government Reform Committee, I am pleased to join my colleague in consideration of H.R. 3989, legislation naming the postal facility in Dennison, Minnesota, after Albert Harold Quie. This measure, which was introduced by Representative JOHN KLINE on October 6, 2005, and unanimously reported by our committee on October 20, 2005, enjoys the support and cosponsorship of the entire Minnesota delegation.

Harold Quie, a native of Minnesota, was born on a farm, educated in the State, and served in the U.S. Navy for 2 years. He served in the Minnesota State Senate from 1955 to 1958, before serving in the U.S. House of Representatives in 1958. Representative Quie was reelected and served until 1979 when he was elected Governor of Minnesota. He served as Governor until 1983.

After 25 years in government as a public servant, Representative Quie continued to be a man of the people. He became a lecturer, teacher, and director, and vice president of Prison Fellowship, both in Minnesota and North Dakota. Representative Quie is currently retired, living in Minnesota.

Mr. Speaker, I commend my colleague for seeking to honor the contributions of former Representative and Governor Quie, and I urge swift passage of this bill.

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

Mr. GUTKNECHT. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to yield such time as he may consume to my colleague from Minnesota (Mr. KLINE).

Mr. KLINE. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding me this time and for his leadership on this bill. I think it was Mr. GUTKNECHT's original idea, and I am very pleased that he had it.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 3989, this resolution which pays tribute to an outstanding Minnesotan through the designation of the Albert H. Quie Post Office. I express my appreciation to my colleague from Minnesota, as I said, for his leadership, for his initiative in this bill, and for helping us pull the entire Minnesota delegation together. We have unanimous bipartisan support for this resolution.

Mr. Speaker, Al Quie is a lifelong Minnesotan who is guided by a strong faith and the principle of selfless service. Residents of Minnesota's Second Congressional District can be proud of this native son who was born on a farm in Rice County, was educated in Nerstrand and Northfield, and graduated from St. Olaf College in 1950, all institutions in the Second District of Minnesota.