

School football and golf teams throughout his 4 years of high school. He was a member of Twin Hickory Golf Club and also Hornell Golf Club. He enjoyed watching sporting events and especially liked to root for the New York Giants, the New York Yankees, and the Syracuse Orangemen. He was also a member of Our Lady of the Valley Parish and a communicant of St. Ann's Church. Those who knew him say he was a genuine, humorous, and outgoing young man who enthusiastically embraced life. He always cared more for others than he did for himself and would go out of his way to help anyone who needed his help.

The world would be a better place if it had more young men like Zach. His service to his country is an example we all should follow, and we owe him a debt of gratitude for his service and his sacrifice. Please join me in honoring Zach's memory by supporting this bill. The people of Hornell will be reminded of Zach's courage and valor every day as they pass by the post office building named in his honor.

H.R. 5051 was introduced by the gentleman from New York, Representative JOSEPH CROWLEY, on April 15, 2010. The measure was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, which ordered it reported by unanimous consent on May 6, 2010. The measure enjoys the support of the entire New York State delegation. I thank the gentleman for introducing this bill, and I'm sure that it means a great deal to Lance Corporal Smith's family and his friends. I also thank the gentleman from California, Congressman ISSA, and all the members of the committee, especially, that worked to make this a reality and, of course, Mr. ISSA for his support in bringing this measure to the floor today as well.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to vote for this measure honoring a fallen soldier who gave his life for his country.

I reserve the balance of my time.

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

I rise today in support of H.R. 5051, designating the United States Postal Service building located at 23 Genesee Street in Hornell, New York, as the Zachary Smith Post Office Building. Funny. Dedicated. Hardworking. These are but a few of the words of praise that arise when friends and family speak of the memory of Lance Corporal Zachary Smith.

Zachary Smith, a native of Hornell, New York, was born on April 2, 1990. A graduate of Hornell High School, he loved sports and played on the football and golf teams. After graduation, Zach followed his lifelong dream of serving our country and enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. He was assigned to the 2nd Platoon, C Company, 1st Battalion, 6th Marines, and deployed to Afghanistan on December 17, 2009. Tragically, after only serving in Afghanistan for 1 month, he gave the ultimate sacrifice for our country in

combat on January 24, in the Helmand province. Zach was only 19 years old.

Described by his childhood friend as someone who always lifted everyone's spirits, Zach served his family, community, and country with selfless devotion. He leaves behind his wife, Anne Smith; parents, Chris and Kim Smith; brother, Nate; and sister, Grace. I rise today in honor not only of a tremendous patriot but an outstanding citizen.

I urge my colleagues to support this resolution in honor of a valiant life that should not, and will not, soon be forgotten by a grateful Nation.

I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, on that note, I would say to my colleagues that I think this is a very honorable thing to do, and I think we all should applaud Mr. Smith and the Smith family for his outstanding service.

Mr. CROWLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 5051, a measure to designate the post office at 23 Genesee Street in Hornell, New York. The new name of the post office will be the "Zachary Smith Post Office Building". I would like to thank my colleagues from New York—who en masse sponsored this initiative.

Zachary Smith was a selfless and brave young man who gave his life for his country at the age of 19. He made the ultimate sacrifice on behalf of the American people while serving in Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan, and the U.S. House of Representatives honors both Zachary and his family through this resolution. For those who knew Zachary, January 24, 2010 will be forever remembered as a day of sadness, but also a day of pride—pride in a courageous young man who exhibited the Marine Corps motto: *Semper Fidelis*.

Zachary was not only a soldier—he was an athlete, a brother, a son and a husband. By all accounts, he was an admired member of the Hornell community, setting a strong example for members of his school and his family. He was responsible at home and kind to others where he attended Hornell High School, graduating in 2008. He loved football, golf and spending time with his family.

Zachary's life, and the profound, genuine loss felt by those who loved him, cannot be repaired by designating this post office. However, by supporting this resolution, we can help ensure that future generations will learn of Zachary's integrity and courage. Zachary made his home a better place. Zachary made Hornell a better place. Zachary made America a better place. He can never be replaced, but we can do our part to honor his memory and the ideals he stood for by passing this resolution today and honoring Zachary Smith, a real hometown hero.

Mr. TOWNS. I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New York (Mr. TOWNS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 5051.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SUPPORTING DESIGNATION OF NATIONAL EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL DAY

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 1294) expressing support for designation of the first Saturday in May as National Explosive Ordnance Disposal Day to honor those who are serving and have served in the noble and self-sacrificing profession of Explosive Ordnance Disposal in the United States Armed Forces.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. RES. 1294

Whereas the bomb and mine disposal profession was created in April 1941;

Whereas members of Explosive Ordnance Disposal organizations perform a dangerous and selfless task often without recognition, risking their lives on behalf of the United States;

Whereas the United States will forever be in debt to personnel in the profession of explosive ordnance disposal for their bravery and sacrifice in times of peace and war;

Whereas people in the United States should express their recognition and gratitude for members of the Explosive Ordnance Disposal profession; and

Whereas the first Saturday in May would be an appropriate date to observe as National Explosive Ordnance Disposal Day: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives supports the designation of National Explosive Ordnance Disposal Day to honor those who are serving and have served in the noble and self-sacrificing profession of Explosive Ordnance Disposal in the United States Armed Forces.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New York (Mr. TOWNS) and the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. MCCOTTER) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and to extend their remarks.

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

There was no objection.

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

I rise in support of H. Res. 1294, a resolution supporting the designation of a National Explosive Ordnance Disposal Day in honor of the selfless service and sacrifice of the men and women of the United States armed services who risk their lives every day as explosive ordnance disposal experts. Explosive ordnance removal has always been a profession fraught with exceptional danger and emotional stress. My colleague, the gentleman from California (Mr. ISSA), knows this firsthand from his time as a bomb disposal technician in the United States Army.

Now, as the United States Military is engaged in two unconventional wars, our explosive ordnance disposal teams

are under pressure as never before. They must respond on a daily basis to roadside bombs and land mines that threaten our troops. It is their nerves of steel and high level of technical expertise that keep their comrades safe during ongoing operations in Iraq and Afghanistan. These brave men and women deserve a day of honor and remembrance for the difficult tasks we ask them to carry out in the service of their country. Wherever they may be—patrolling the ring road of Afghanistan or disarming an IED in the streets of Baghdad—they are in our thoughts and in our prayers.

This resolution was introduced by our colleague, the gentlewoman from Florida, Representative GINNY BROWN-WAITE, on April 22, 2010. It was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, which reported the measure by unanimous consent on May 6, 2010. This measure enjoys the support of 60 Members of the House. I thank the gentlewoman for introducing this bill, and I thank the ranking member of the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Mr. ISSA, of course, and his staff, for their help in bringing this bill to the floor today.

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

Mr. MCCOTTER. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as she may consume to my distinguished colleague from the State of Florida (Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE).

Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of House Resolution 1294, expressing support for designation of the first Saturday in May as National Explosive Ordnance Disposal Day, to honor those who are serving and those who have served in the noble and self-sacrificing profession of explosive ordnance disposal in the United States Armed Forces. Although clearly a work of Hollywood drama meant for entertainment purposes, the Academy Award-winning film, "The Hurt Locker," has brought new attention to our Nation's EOD technicians. While the action shown in this film is intense and very gripping, there is no question that when it comes to explosive ordnance disposal, truth is even more compelling than fiction. For this reason, I, along with my colleague from Oklahoma, Representative BOREN, introduced House Resolution 1294, to recognize the real contributions that explosive ordnance disposal technicians have made to our Nation's military since the United States first began its bomb disposal program over 69 years ago.

On average, there are over 4,000 brave men and women serving as explosive ordnance disposal technicians within the four services.

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EOD techs are responsible for the location, identification, neutralization, and disposal of hazardous explosive items and devices. They are on the front lines in the global war on terrorism, protecting their fellow troops

from conventional explosives, nuclear weapons, and improvised explosive devices. As my constituent and the executive director of the EOD Memorial Foundation explains, EOD technicians "are people who voluntarily take that long walk into uncertainty" every time they go to dispose of a bomb.

This resolution also supports observing the first Saturday in May as National Explosive Ordnance Disposal Day. This date was selected to coincide with the annual EOD Memorial Ball. This year's ball, which happens to have been the 42nd annual one, was held in Fort Walton Beach, Florida, on May 1, and I understand that it was a wonderful success, selling out all of the tickets that were available. Because the EOD Memorial Foundation is headquartered in my district in Webster, Florida, I have had the great honor to meet many of these warriors. I have learned that the ties that bind the EOD community together extend far beyond the battlefield. The EOD community is a family, and when even one part of that family is lost, the rest of them come together to support and assist those left behind.

In 2009, 16 EOD technicians lost their lives serving our Nation in battle. Another EOD warrior was killed taking apart an IED just within the last week. This resolution honors those men and women who courageously, selflessly, and graciously face the real dangers posed by traditional and improvised explosives.

With that, I urge my colleagues to join myself and Mr. BOREN in honoring those American warriors and supporting House Resolution 1294.

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to honor the brave men and women working as explosive ordnance disposal technicians by supporting this resolution.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. MCCOTTER. Mr. Speaker, I wholeheartedly associate myself with the remarks of my distinguished colleagues, Ms. BROWN-WAITE and Mr. TOWNS. I urge all Members to support the passage of H.R. 1294.

I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, again, I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this measure, and of course, on that note, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New York (Mr. TOWNS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the resolution, H. Res. 1294.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the yeas have it.

Mr. TOWNS. 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 motion will be postponed.

NATIONAL WOMEN'S HEALTH WEEK

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 268) supporting the goals and ideals of National Women's Health Week, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. CON. RES. 268

Whereas women of all backgrounds should be encouraged to greatly reduce their risk of common diseases through preventative measures, such as engaging in regular physical activity, eating a nutritious diet, and visiting a healthcare provider to receive regular check-ups and preventative screenings;

Whereas significant disparities exist in the prevalence of disease among women of different backgrounds, including women with disabilities, African-American women, Asian/Pacific Islander women, Latinas, and American Indian/Alaskan Native women;

Whereas healthy habits should begin at a young age;

Whereas preventative care saves Federal dollars designated for health care;

Whereas it is imperative to educate women and girls about key female health issues;

Whereas it is recognized that offices of women's health within the Department of Health and Human Services, the Food and Drug Administration, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Health Resources and Services Administration, the National Institutes of Health, and the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality are vital in providing critical services that support women's health research, education, and other necessary services that benefit women of all ages, races, and ethnicities;

Whereas the annual National Women's Health Week begins on Mother's Day and celebrates the efforts of national and community organizations working with partners and volunteers to improve awareness of key women's health issues; and

Whereas in 2010, the week of May 9 through May 15 is designated National Women's Health Week: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That Congress—

(1) supports the goals and ideals of National Women's Health Week; and

(2) requests that the President of the United States issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States and interested groups to observe National Women's Health Week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New York (Mr. TOWNS) and the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. MCCOTTER) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days in which to revise and to extend their remarks.

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

There was no objection.

Mr. TOWNS. I now yield myself as much time as I might consume.

I rise in support of H. Con. Res. 268, recognizing National Women's Health