

As a self-described citizen politician in 1966, he was elected as the 33rd Governor of California by over a million votes. He was then reelected Governor in 1970. His many successes while Governor in California made him into a national political figure as he became a standard bearer within the Republican Party.

After a failed attempt to receive the Republican nomination in 1976, he was selected by his party and was elected by the American people to President in 1980. Shortly after taking office as President of the United States in 1981, he was shot and wounded by a would-be assassin but soon recovered and returned to work showing his trademark of grace under fire.

During Ronald Reagan's Presidential terms from 1981 to 1988, he dealt successfully with a number of momentous economic, political, and foreign affairs challenges. Even as he was faced with matters involving the global interests of the United States in various areas of the world, he did not neglect serious problems in the Western Hemisphere. His style of seeking peace through strength while in office proved to be a tactic that was highly successful and very popular with the American people.

Ronald Reagan remains one of our most popular and beloved Presidents. His two terms as President were marked with many achievements, none greater than being a catalyst for the end of the Cold War. One of Ronald Reagan's most memorable sayings, "Trust, but verify," remains appropriate for us today.

His life was a truly unique American story as he rose from humble beginnings, persevered through hardships, and enjoyed the bounty of dedication and hard work, which was indeed a movie script story that became reality.

Madam Speaker, Ronald Reagan embodied the American spirit, the American Dream. And as he said in his farewell address to the Nation in January of 1989, he spoke of the determination to rediscover our values and our common sense. Ronald Reagan trusted and believed in "We, the people," and I believe he was one of America's greatest Presidents.

And today his statue, which was placed in the Capitol dome, includes pieces of the Berlin Wall which he called to be torn down, ending the grip of communism in Europe.

I ask all Members to support this bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

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Ms. CHU. Madam Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the author of this resolution, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. FOSTER).

Mr. FOSTER. Madam Speaker, 6 years ago today, President Ronald Reagan lay in State in the Capitol Rotunda, a high and fitting honor for this consequential President and native son of my congressional district. Today, I bring to the floor a far more modest

tribute, a bill that would designate the post office in his boyhood hometown of Dixon, Illinois, the President Ronald W. Reagan Post Office Building.

Born in Tampico, Illinois, in 1911 and raised in Dixon, President Reagan spent his life upholding the strong values of small-town America, but it is easy to overlook the humble Midwestern origins of a man whose career took him from Hollywood to the White House. In his autobiography, President Reagan said of Dixon, "It was a small universe where I learned the standards and values that would guide me the rest of my life."

While living in Dixon, President Reagan attended grade school and high school. Decades before standing at the Brandenburg Gate, he stood guard at the beach in Lowell Park where, according to local lore, he saved the lives of 77 swimmers on the Rock River.

For the centennial of President Reagan's birth next year, the communities of Tampico and Dixon are planning numerous commemorative activities to honor this local hero and American icon. There will be a gala event in Tampico in February, followed later that month by the premiere of the "Reagan Suite," an arrangement commissioned by the Dixon Municipal Band and Reagan Centennial Commission. Later in the year, Dixon will host an Alzheimer's Walk and education workshop in honor of the late President.

With the help of my colleagues in the House, we can contribute in a small way to the outstanding efforts of many committed local officials who will make Dixon and Tampico true focal points of the Reagan centennial in 2011.

This is a truly bipartisan bill, with 41 Democratic and Republican cosponsors representing congressional districts from across the country. I urge my colleagues to support it.

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

Ms. CHU. Madam Speaker, I again urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this measure, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. MCCOLLUM). The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from California (Ms. CHU) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 5278.

The question was taken.

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

Ms. CHU. Madam Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

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.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

STAFF SERGEANT FRANK T. CARVILL AND LANCE CORPORAL MICHAEL A. SCHWARZ POST OFFICE BUILDING

Ms. CHU. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 5133) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 331 1st Street in Carlstadt, New Jersey, as the "Staff Sergeant Frank T. Carvill and Lance Corporal Michael A. Schwarz Post Office Building".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 5133

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

SECTION 1. STAFF SERGEANT FRANK T. CARVILL AND LANCE CORPORAL MICHAEL A. SCHWARZ POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 331 1st Street in Carlstadt, New Jersey, shall be known and designated as the "Staff Sergeant Frank T. Carvill and Lance Corporal Michael A. Schwarz 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 "Staff Sergeant Frank T. Carvill and Lance Corporal Michael A. Schwarz Post Office Building".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from California (Ms. CHU) and the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. TURNER) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from California.

GENERAL LEAVE

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

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

There was no objection.

Ms. CHU. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, it is my honor to rise in support of H.R. 5133. This measure designates the United States Postal Building located at 331 1st Street in Carlstadt, New Jersey, as the Staff Sergeant Frank T. Carvill and Lance Corporal Michael A. Schwarz Post Office Building.

Staff Sergeant Frank T. Carvill of Carlstadt, New Jersey, was killed on June 4, 2004, when his convoy was attacked by improvised explosive devices and rocket-propelled grenades in Baghdad. At 51, Carvill, an Army sergeant with the New Jersey National Guard, was among the oldest soldiers to die in Iraq. He was killed when his Humvee was ambushed in the Sadr City district of Baghdad in an attack that also claimed the lives of four other Guard members.

Carvill had escaped both terrorist attacks at the World Trade Center where he worked as a paralegal. In 1993, he

helped a co-worker down 54 floors to safety. On September 11, 2001, he left the north tower moments before one of the hijacked planes plowed into the building.

Carvill was a voracious reader who loved politics, an outdoorsman who enjoyed kayaking, and a trusted friend who had the same buddies for 30 years.

Marine Lance Corporal Michael A. Schwarz was killed in action on November 27, 2006, from wounds suffered while conducting combat operations in al Anbar Province in Iraq. The son and brother of auto mechanics, Schwarz graduated from Becton Regional High School in 2004. Along with his brother, Frank, Michael Schwarz served in the local volunteer fire department. Their father, Kenneth, headed the department for years.

Friends and relatives remembered Michael Schwarz as fun-loving and outgoing. Friends recalled off-road outings in Schwarz's customized Jeep. Most of all, there was Schwarz's love of the military and his desire to enlist in the Marines, a wish he expressed even when he was a young child.

H.R. 5133 was introduced by our colleague, the gentleman from New Jersey, Representative ROTHMAN, on April 22, 2010. The measure was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, which ordered it reported favorably by unanimous consent on May 6, 2010. The measure has the support of the entire New Jersey delegation.

I thank the gentleman from New Jersey for introducing this measure, and I would also like to thank Chairman TOWNS and Ranking Member ISSA for their support for the bill.

Madam Speaker, the lives of Staff Sergeant Frank T. Carvill and Lance Corporal Michael A. Schwarz stand as a testament to the courage and dedication of all our brave servicemen and -women who have made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our Nation. Let us pay tribute to their lives through the passage of this legislation, H.R. 5133, to designate the Carlstadt, New Jersey, postal facility in their honor.

I urge all of my colleagues to join us in supporting H.R. 5133.

I reserve the balance of my time.

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

I rise today to express my support of H.R. 5133, designating the post office located at 331 First Street in Carlstadt, New Jersey, as the Staff Sergeant Frank T. Carvill and Lance Corporal Michael A. Schwarz Post Office Building.

Carlstadt, New Jersey, is home to 6,000 residents and is barely 5 blocks long. Losing two of their own in the line of duty truly affected everyone in the close-knit environment.

Staff Sergeant Frank T. Carvill and Lance Corporal Michael A. Schwarz had very different careers; however, the unfortunate similarity of the two was their fate. Both were killed in ac-

tion while bravely serving the United States in the war on terror.

Lance Corporal Michael A. Schwarz is described by friends as an all-American and fun-loving guy, knowing what was at stake when he joined the Marines right out of Henry P. Becton Regional High School in 2004. Schwarz was passionate about the Marines. It was his dream. His father recalls, "Since he was maybe 10 years old he didn't like regular clothes; it was always Army clothes. Even when he graduated high school, under his cap and gown he had his camos on."

He was said to have understood the danger of being in the Marines and was ready to face it head-on. He loved his country, the idea of being a soldier and preserving freedom. He willingly sacrificed his life to better the people of Iraq and to protect the United States. On November 27, 2006, at the age of 20, Lance Corporal Michael A. Schwarz was killed while conducting combat operations in the Iraqi province of Anbar. He was part of the Marine Expeditionary Force of the 1st Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division.

Army National Guard Sergeant Frank Carvill, a paralegal, left his office at the World Trade Center minutes before the first jetliner hit the towers on September 11, 2001, and was not injured in the terrorist attack. Years before, he had helped assist others in the 1993 bombings of the north tower office. He was an American patriot, assisting others and making personal sacrifices to help those in need while a civilian and as well as being in the military.

Having been enlisted for 20 years in the National Guard, Carvill was 51 when his unit was deployed to Iraq. Carvill was a member of the National Guard's task force in Baghdad to protect convoys and set up traffic control points.

Always willing to help, the day he was to head home on leave, Carvill gave up his seat on the plane to another soldier who had a family emergency. Sadly, on June 4, 2004, the same day he gave his seat to a fellow soldier, Sergeant Frank Carvill was killed when his Humvee was ambushed in a suburb of Baghdad.

The families express that both men made a personal choice to go to Iraq because they believed that what they were doing was right. These men were true American patriots.

I urge my colleagues to support this bill honoring these brave and courageous men who gave their lives to protect and preserve our great Nation. They sacrificed their lives in defense of freedom, and they should forever be remembered.

With that, Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. CHU. Madam Speaker, I yield 5 minutes to the author of this resolution, the gentleman from New Jersey, Representative ROTHMAN.

Mr. ROTHMAN of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, I thank the gentle-

ship on this matter and for the very kind words you said about these two heroes, and I'd like to associate myself with your words, as well as the gentleman from Ohio's words which were equally eloquent and true. These were great American heroes who lost their lives defending our country and our country's interests in Iraq.

I wanted to take a few moments, Madam Speaker, to share with you a bit of the pain that the people of Carlstadt still feel in their hearts when they think about the loss of these two citizens. This matter was brought to my attention by a friend, indicating to me that the families would be sympathetic and would be honored if this post office was renamed in honor of Frank T. Carvill and Lance Corporal Michael A. Schwarz. When I called the mayor of the town and I said, Is this true, I don't want to intrude on anyone's privacy, and he assured me that this was, in fact, the case.

As was said before, the town of Carlstadt, New Jersey, is only a few miles from what were the twin towers, and my district in northeastern New Jersey suffered a number of lost lives on that terrible day on 9/11, and then, again, we suffered the loss of these two individuals.

Memorial Day just passed, and I remember saying to all of our veterans and all of our young people gathered at these ceremonies, why is Memorial Day important, and in a sense, why would it be important to rename this local post office after these two individuals. It is not just so that we have a daily reminder in Carlstadt, New Jersey, of the heroism and sacrifice of these two brave individuals—and certainly, we hope and expect that the renaming of this post office will have that effect—but also, Madam Speaker, it will be to remind everyone, whether they knew these two fine heroes or not, of the price of liberty for all of us here in America, paid not only by these two outstanding men but by every man and woman who has paid the ultimate price to defend our country.

So I am indeed honored and proud to have the opportunity to express the sentiment of the people of Carlstadt, New Jersey, who want the families to know, who want their fellow Americans to know, and who want the world to know how proud they are of these two men and that we still live in a country with brave men and women like Army Staff Sergeant Frank T. Carvill and Marine Lance Corporal Michael A. Schwarz, people willing to defend our Nation and protect the greatest Nation on the face of the earth.

Mr. TURNER. I yield back the balance of our time.

Ms. CHU. Madam Speaker, I again urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this measure, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from California (Ms. CHU) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 5133.

The question was taken.

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

Ms. CHU. Madam Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

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.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

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CONGRATULATING CLINTON COUNTY, OHIO

Ms. CHU. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 1121) congratulating Clinton County and the county seat of Wilmington, Ohio, on the occasion of their bicentennial anniversaries.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. RES. 1121

Whereas Clinton County, originally known as the Virginia Military District because it had been set aside to reward the soldiers of the Revolutionary War, was established on February 19, 1810, 7 years after Ohio was admitted into the Union as the 17th State;

Whereas Clinton County was named after George Clinton, one of the Founding Fathers, and the fourth Vice President of the United States;

Whereas Clinton County was a station on the Underground Railroad prior to the Civil War, and a destination for thousands of persons escaping slavery and seeking freedom;

Whereas the county seat of Clinton County is located in Wilmington, a community founded in 1810 and settled by the Dutch, German, English, and Scotch-Irish pioneer stock, as well as by the Society of Friends (Quakers) who migrated to southwest Ohio from Virginia and North Carolina because of their opposition to slavery;

Whereas Clinton County is home to 2 outstanding institutions of higher learning that have prepared generations of students, past and present, for a successful future;

Whereas Southern State Community College is a 2-year institution serving a 5-county rural area where students seeking specific career training acquire the skills and knowledge they need to succeed in the workforce;

Whereas Wilmington College is a 4-year career-oriented liberal arts institution, founded by the Quakers in 1870, that is dedicated to the intellectual, emotional, physical, and spiritual development of its students;

Whereas Clinton County is home to Clinton Memorial Hospital, a community-based rural health facility that has been a leading provider of compassionate, accessible, quality health care to individuals and families in Clinton County and the surrounding region for almost 60 years;

Whereas Clinton County is home to the Murphy Theatre, a local historic treasure and community center that is located in the heart of downtown Wilmington;

Whereas the Murphy Theater was built in 1918 by Charles Webb Murphy, the owner of the Chicago Cubs, and it continues to host a wide range of events;

Whereas Clinton County is home to Cowan Lake State Park, a popular recreational

haven that was once a stronghold of the Miami and Shawnee Indians;

Whereas the park offers families an opportunity to enjoy a variety of outdoor activities that include sailing, swimming, hiking, fishing, hunting, and camping;

Whereas Clinton County holds the distinction of being the birthplace of one of the Nation's favorite desserts, the banana split;

Whereas the banana split was invented at Hazard's Drug Store in Wilmington, in 1907;

Whereas each summer, the city of Wilmington hosts the annual Banana Split Festival, a 2-day weekend event celebrated on the second full weekend of June; and

Whereas Clinton County today is home to approximately 43,200 residents in an area that is known to be one of the best places in the United States to live and raise a family: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) recognizes the significant history of Clinton County and the county seat of Wilmington, Ohio;

(2) congratulates the citizens of Clinton County and Wilmington, Ohio, on the occasion of their bicentennial anniversaries; and

(3) directs the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make available enrolled copies of this resolution to Clinton County and the county seat of Wilmington, Ohio, for appropriate display.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from California (Ms. CHU) and the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. TURNER) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from California.

GENERAL LEAVE

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

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

There was no objection.

Ms. CHU. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, I rise in support of House Resolution 1121, a measure congratulating Clinton County, Ohio, and its county seat of Wilmington on their bicentennial.

House Resolution 1121 was introduced by our colleague, the gentleman from Ohio, Representative MICHAEL TURNER, on February 25, 2010. It was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, which ordered it reported favorably by unanimous consent on May 20, 2010. The measure enjoys the support of 50 Members of the House.

Madam Speaker, the history of Clinton County plays a strong part in the history of our country. It was originally known as the Virginia Military District because it had been set aside to reward the soldiers of the Revolutionary War. The county was established on February 19, 1810, 7 years after Ohio was admitted into the Union as the 17th State.

It takes its name, Clinton County, from George Clinton, the fourth Vice President of the United States and one of our Founding Fathers. Before the Civil War later that century, Clinton

County would be a station of the Underground Railroad, providing refuge to thousands of people seeking to escape the horrors of slavery.

Today, Clinton County is home to about 43,200 residents. And let us acknowledge them today as we celebrate the bicentennial of their historic home.

In closing, I urge my colleagues to support this measure.

Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

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

Madam Speaker, I rise in strong support of House Resolution 1121, congratulating Clinton County and the county seat of Wilmington, Ohio, on the occasion of their bicentennial anniversaries.

For 200 years now, Clinton County, Ohio, which is in my congressional district, has been an interesting part of American history. What is now Clinton County was initially called the Virginia Military District because the government had reserved the land to give veterans of the Revolutionary War as a reward for their service.

Clinton County was established in 1810 and was named Clinton County in honor of George Clinton. Clinton was one of America's Founding Fathers and served as Vice President under both Thomas Jefferson and James Madison.

Clinton County was a very important part of the anti-slavery movement before the Civil War because it had a station that was part of the Underground Railroad, helping thousands of slaves escape.

Also, a less serious aspect of Clinton County's history is that it is the place where the first banana split was created. And every year Wilmington has its annual Banana Split Festival.

Madam Speaker, I want to thank my Ohio colleagues, all of whom are original cosponsors of this resolution, and thank Chairman TOWNS and Ranking Member ISSA for their support in moving this bill through the committee process.

I urge all of my colleagues to vote in favor of this resolution and congratulate the more than 43,000 residents of Clinton County on the bicentennial anniversary of their county.

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

Ms. CHU. Madam Speaker, I also urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this measure.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from California (Ms. CHU) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1121.

The question was taken.

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

Ms. CHU. Madam Speaker, I object to the vote on the grounds that a quorum