

did for the city of La Mirada, the State of California, and the United States of America. He was a genuinely sincere person with great integrity. He believed in treating everyone with respect."

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring the service and memory of this dedicated civic leader.

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, it is now my honor to yield such time as he may consume to a friend and colleague who would like to speak on Mr. Grisham's behalf, the gentleman from California (Mr. LEWIS).

Mr. LEWIS of California. I want to first say I very much appreciate my colleagues' recognizing the service of our dear friend Wayne Grisham.

In my early days in the Congress, Arlene and I spent a good deal of time with Wayne and Millie. We traveled together and talked often of other trips we could take with one another. Our favorite place in the West, for example, is Catalina Island, and we had planned to spend at least one weekend—if not many—there together. It is with great regret that I rise today in recognition of his passing in January.

Mr. CLAY. Mr. Speaker, having no additional speakers, I urge my colleagues to support H.R. 2158, which renames the La Miranda, California, post office after Mr. Wayne Grisham, and I yield back the balance of my time.

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

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I arise to honor the life of my friend and colleague Wayne Grisham. During our early years in Congress, Wayne and his wife Millie became our dear friends. We traveled together and often talked of a weekend at our mutual favorite place in the west—Catalina Island. We miss them both in our lives.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. ISSA) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2158.

The question was taken.

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

Mr. ISSA. 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, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

WILLIAM T. TRANT POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2767) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8 West Silver Street in Westfield, Massachusetts, as the "William T. Trant Post Office Building".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 2767

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

SECTION 1. WILLIAM T. TRANT POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8 West Silver Street in Westfield, Massachusetts, shall be known and designated as the "William T. Trant 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 "William T. Trant Post Office Building".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from California (Mr. ISSA) and the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. CLAY) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California.

GENERAL LEAVE

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

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

There was no objection.

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

H.R. 2767, introduced by the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. OLVER), would designate the facility of the United States Post Office located at 8 West Silver Street in Westfield, Massachusetts, as the "William T. Trant Post Office Building." This bill is cosponsored by the entire Massachusetts delegation and was favorably reported unanimously from our committee in November.

Mr. Speaker, William Trant was a man truly dedicated to serving both his country and his community.

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In 1943 he enlisted in the Army and saw combat in Europe, suffering wounds at both Normandy and Rhineland. For his service, he was awarded the Purple Heart, as well as numerous other service medals.

After returning from war, Mr. Trant began his career working for the United States Post Office there in Westfield. Following a short stint with the New York Giants minor league baseball team, Mr. Trant returned to his career at the postal service—as we know in government, it's always good to have a backup job if you're going to pitch—where he would continue to serve for 32 years.

Mr. Trant rose to the rank of the postmaster of that post office that he served in up through the process. He also, though, did many community works, including serving on the Westfield City Council for near 20 years and, in 1962, also served as acting mayor. It is fitting that we name the Westfield Post Office after its postmaster.

In 1967 he served as procurement officer in the Springfield Post Office, as well as the procurement director of services in the northeast postal district in Hartford, Connecticut.

Sadly, Mr. Speaker, in 2002 Mr. Trant passed away. He is remembered by many in Westfield as both an exemplary citizen and a person of character.

I urge all Members to join in support of this legislation to honor a true public servant, and I reserve the balance of my time.

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

I am pleased to rise in support of H.R. 2767, this bill to designate the facility of the U.S. Postal Service located at 8 West Silver Street in Westfield, Massachusetts, as the William T. Trant Post Office Building.

The measure was first introduced by my colleague, Representative JOHN OLVER of Massachusetts, on August 1, 2011. The entire Massachusetts delegation supports the bill. Having met all of the Oversight and Government Reform Committee's requirements, H.R. 2767 was reported favorably by the committee on November 3, 2011.

Mr. Speaker, at this time I yield such time as he may consume to my friend from Massachusetts (Mr. OLVER).

Mr. OLVER. I thank the gentleman from Missouri for yielding me time.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to support H.R. 2767, a bill that would designate the United States Post Office at 8 West Silver Street in Westfield, Massachusetts, as the William T. Trant Post Office Building.

William Trant was an exemplary citizen, a soldier, a father, a public servant, and a pillar of his community.

Born and raised in Westfield, he enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1943, and participated in five of the great campaigns of World War II, including the invasion of Normandy. He was decorated with several military honors, including the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with five Bronze Stars, the Good Conduct Medal, and the Purple Heart with an oak leaf cluster for wounds sustained at Normandy and at Rhineland.

After being honorably discharged at the end of the war, Mr. Trant returned home and worked for the U.S. Post Office in Westfield, leaving briefly to pitch for a minor league baseball team affiliated with the New York Giants.

He served on Westfield's City Council for nearly 20 years, served as acting mayor in 1962 following the death of Westfield's incumbent mayor. Through his service, he became friends with many Massachusetts political figures from both parties, including President John Kennedy, Senator Edward Kennedy, Congressman Silvio Conte, and House Speaker Tip O'Neill.

In 1967, Mr. Trant was appointed postmaster at the Westfield Post Office, a title which he proudly held while serving for many years.

Mr. Trant was actively involved in sports programs for the young people of Westfield, including the Westfield Little League, Westfield Babe Ruth and Westfield American Legion Baseball.

He and his wife, Mary, were devoted parents to nine children.

He passed away in 2002, having lived a life that is an example and an inspiration for all who knew him.

Mr. Speaker, I urge the passage of H.R. 2767 and ask my colleagues to join me in honoring William Trant's service to his country and his community.

Mr. CLAY. Mr. Speaker, I have no further speakers.

I ask that we recognize the long life and heroic service of William T. Trant and pass the underlying bill without reservation.

I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I join with my colleague and move that we support unanimously the William Trant Post Office naming, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. ISSA) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2767.

The question was taken.

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

Mr. ISSA. Mr. 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, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

BRIAN A. TERRY MEMORIAL ACT

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2668) to designate the station of the United States Border Patrol located at 2136 South Naco Highway in Bisbee, Arizona, as the "Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 2668

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 "Brian A. Terry Memorial Act".

SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

The Congress finds the following:

(1) A native of Flat Rock, Michigan, Agent Brian A. Terry served his country proudly with the United States Marine Corps and continued his service as a police officer with the cities of Ecorse and Lincoln Park, Michigan, prior to joining the United States Border Patrol.

(2) Agent Terry was a member of the 699th Session of the Border Patrol Academy assigned to the Naco Border Patrol Station within the Tucson Sector.

(3) On December 14, 2010, Border Patrol Agent Brian A. Terry was conducting a Border Patrol Tactical unit (BORTAC) operation in the area of "Peck Wells".

(4) At 11:15 p.m., near Rio Rico, Arizona, and about 15 miles north of Nogales, Arizona, Agent Terry and his team spotted a group of individuals approaching their position.

(5) Shortly thereafter, an encounter ensued and gunfire was exchanged that left Agent Terry mortally wounded.

(6) Agent Terry succumbed to his injuries on December 15, 2010.

(7) Agent Terry is survived by his mother, father, stepmother, stepfather, brother, and two sisters.

SEC. 3. DESIGNATION.

The station of the United States Border Patrol located at 2136 South Naco Highway in Bisbee, Arizona, shall be known and designated as the "Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station".

SEC. 4. REFERENCES.

Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the station referred to in section 1 shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station".

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. ROGERS of Alabama). Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from California (Mr. DENHAM) and the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. CUMMINGS) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.R. 2668.

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

There was no objection.

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

H.R. 2668 would designate the station of the United States Border Patrol located at 2136 South Naco Highway in Bisbee, Arizona, as the Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station. I am pleased to coauthor H.R. 2668, and I want to thank the gentleman from California (Mr. ISSA) for introducing this bipartisan legislation.

The Brian A. Terry Memorial Act would honor Border Patrol Agent Brian A. Terry by designating the station of the United States Border Patrol located at 2136 South Naco Highway in Bisbee, Arizona, as the Brian A. Terry Border Patrol Station.

Born in Flat Rock, Michigan, Agent Terry proudly served his country with the United States Marine Corps and continued his service as a police officer in Michigan prior to joining the United States Border Patrol. Agent Terry became a member of the 699th Session of the Border Patrol Academy, assigned to the Naco Border Patrol Station within the Tucson, Arizona, sector.

On December 14, 2010, Border Patrol Agent Brian A. Terry was conducting a Border Patrol Tactical Unit operation in the area of Peck Well. At 11:15, near Rio Rico, Arizona, and about 15 miles north of Nogales, Arizona, Agent Terry and his team spotted a group of individuals approaching their position.

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Investigators later found that the suspects were preying on illegal immigrants with the intent to rob them. Shortly thereafter, an encounter ensued and gunfire was exchanged that left Agent Terry mortally wounded by

a bullet fired by a suspect's AK-47. Agent Terry passed away the following day.

This legislation honors the ultimate sacrifice of Agent Terry while he bravely protected our Nation's borders. I support passage of this legislation and urge my colleagues to do the same.

I reserve the balance of my time.

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

I rise in strong support of H.R. 2668, the Brian A. Terry Memorial Act, which honors the life and sacrifice of U.S. Border Patrol Agent Brian Terry. I'm pleased to be an original cosponsor of this measure, and I applaud Mr. ISSA for his leadership on this.

One year ago this Wednesday, on December 14, 2010, as on so many previous nights, Agent Terry and his team were out patrolling the border areas of Arizona and defending this country. Tragically, that night he died in the line of duty from injuries sustained in a gun fight. He died in the line of duty upholding his oath to defend our country. He was only 40 years old and was days away from taking a trip back home to Michigan for the Christmas holiday.

Even before he joined the United States Customs and Border Protection as a Border Patrol agent, Agent Terry displayed an exemplary record of public service. He joined the United States Marine Corps upon his graduation from high school and served a tour of duty in Iraq. He was honorably discharged in 1994.

Upon completing his military service, he returned home to Michigan and completed a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice. He then served as a police officer in Ecorse and Lincoln Park, Michigan. In 2007, he joined the United States Customs and Border Protection and became a member of its elite Border Patrol Tactical Unit. This unit responds to some of the most dangerous threats against our Nation's homeland, which perfectly suited Agent Terry's courage, patriotism, and dedication to his country. Agent Terry was stationed at the Nogales Border Patrol Station near Tucson, Arizona, which is the largest border patrol station in the entire country.

Agent Terry took great pride in serving and defending his country. He worked tirelessly day after day confronting imminent and immediate danger on the southwest border.

Despite the dangerous nature of his work, those who knew him described him as "a strong, competitive, handsome, courageous, funny, and incredibly patriotic American." He was also proud to serve as a Federal law enforcement agent.

I have met Agent Terry's family, and I support the ongoing efforts to seek answers for them. Others at the FBI and the U.S. Attorney's Office are working to bring his killers to justice.

I join with the chairman of the Oversight Committee, Chairman ISSA, in urging that the House adopt H.R. 2668, the Brian A. Terry Memorial Act,