

debate and effort, Congress authorized the National Liberty Memorial.

The National Liberty Memorial will serve as an important remembrance. I am very pleased that we are able to consider this bill today. When Congress authorizes the establishment of a memorial in Washington, D.C., it then takes years of planning to select a design and location. Fortunately, for the Liberty Memorial, a site has been selected. One of the last hurdles is approval from Congress, and with the adoption of H.J. Res. 120, that is why and what we are here to do today.

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Getting this far would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of the bill's sponsor, Representative BUTTERFIELD from North Carolina. I would like to thank him and congratulate him for his work and look forward to soon visiting the new National Liberty Memorial.

We support this legislation and thank the majority for bringing it up for consideration. With that, I reserve the balance of my time.

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

Mr. LOWENTHAL. Mr. Speaker, I yield as much time as he may consume to the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. BUTTERFIELD), the sponsor of the legislation.

Mr. BUTTERFIELD. First, I want to thank you, Mr. LOWENTHAL, for those kind words and thank you for your leadership. Thank you for yielding time today and for working very hard to bring this important resolution to the House floor. I also appreciate the work of the Natural Resources Committee chairman, DOC HASTINGS, and Ranking Member PETE DEFAZIO, and you, Mr. YOUNG, for considering this resolution expeditiously and for seeing that it was favorably reported by the committee.

Also, let me thank Senator CHRIS MURPHY from Connecticut, who used to serve in this body and now serves in the United States Senate, for introducing a companion bill in the Senate. His support is critical, and I thank him for his commitment to this important issue. I hope that the Senate will act as expeditiously and in as bipartisan a fashion as has the House of Representatives.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of House Joint Resolution 120, a bill that I introduced that will formally approve the location that was selected by the Administrator of the General Services Administration of a memorial that will recognize the thousands of slaves and free persons of color, or as historians sometimes refer to, free Negroes, who fought for independence during the American Revolution.

Federal law requires, Mr. Speaker, that the location for the memorial identified by the Administrator of GSA be formally approved by Congress within 150 days of receiving the recommendation by the GSA Administrator.

The memorial that will eventually be constructed to honor tens of thousands of slaves and free people of color who helped to secure American independence during the Revolution will be a fitting tribute to their heroic actions that helped shape the very foundation of our Nation.

For generations, historians estimated that at least 5,000 African Americans—both slave and free—fought for American independence. Revised estimates now show more than 10,000 brave men joined the fight. At least 252 of these patriots came from North Carolina, and at least 109 of those came from my congressional district, the counties of Bertie, Chowan, Craven, Edgecombe, Franklin, Granville, Halifax, Hertford, Northampton, Pasquotank, and Perquimans.

The president general of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution wrote of the brave souls who fought for freedom when they themselves were not free that “they deserve special recognition in order to help better educate our country.”

In 2008, the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution published landmark research containing the names and communities of these African American patriots. The research is continuously updated with the discovery of new heroes. Scores of African American men and women have been accepted by heritage societies that had not been previously open to their membership.

The desire to honor these brave men and their descendants in a permanent and meaningful way had long been championed by a distinguished Member of this body who has since passed away, Congressman Donald Payne, Sr. Congressman Payne introduced authorizing language as far back as 2005. After Congressman Payne's death, I have worked to get this effort to the finish line, guided by his words that “this memorial is an important chapter in the reclamation of African American history.”

There are over 2 million descendants of these Revolutionary War patriots nationwide. This eventual memorial will show the Nation, and it will show the world, Mr. Speaker, that the sacrifices and heroic efforts of African Americans—both slave and free—who took up arms to secure America's independence are not forgotten. It will permanently affirm what we know to be true: these patriots and their service to our then-infant Nation will forever be of preeminent historical and lasting significance to our country that they fought to create.

Again, I thank you for the time, Mr. LOWENTHAL.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, I have no further speakers, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. LOWENTHAL. Mr. Speaker, again, I want to thank Representative BUTTERFIELD from North Carolina for helping us get this across the finish line.

We are really going to honor these brave Americans, both slaves and free blacks, who fought for American independence, and I think this is a wonderful 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 Alaska (Mr. YOUNG) that the House suspend the rules and pass the joint resolution, H.J. Res. 120.

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

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 6 o'clock and 5 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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## AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HOLDING) at 6 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

H.R. 5089, by the yeas and nays;

H.R. 5019, by the yeas and nays;

H.R. 4283, by the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

## SERGEANT FIRST CLASS DANIEL M. FERGUSON POST OFFICE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 5089) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2000 Mulford Road in Mulberry, Florida, as the “Sergeant First Class Daniel M. Ferguson Post Office”, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. COLLINS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 401, nays 0, not voting 30, as follows:

[Roll No. 481]

## YEAS—401

Aderholt Duncan (SC) Kingston  
 Amash Duncan (TN) Kinzinger (IL)  
 Amodei Edwards Kirkpatrick  
 Bachus Ellison Kline  
 Barber Ellmers Kuster  
 Barletta Engel Labrador  
 Barr Enyart LaMalfa  
 Barrow (GA) Eshoo Lamborn  
 Barton Esty Lance  
 Bass Farenthold Farnethold  
 Beatty Farr  
 Becerra Fattah  
 Benishek Fincher  
 Bentivolio Fitzpatrick  
 Bera (CA) Fleischmann  
 Bilirakis Fleming  
 Bishop (NY) Flores  
 Black Forbes  
 Blackburn Fortenberry  
 Blumenauer Foster  
 Bonamici Foxx  
 Boustany Frankel (FL)  
 Brady (PA) Franks (AZ)  
 Brady (TX) Frelinghuysen  
 Braley (IA) Fudge  
 Bridenstine Gabbard  
 Brooks (AL) Gallego  
 Brooks (IN) Garamendi  
 Broun (GA) Garcia  
 Brown (FL) Gardner  
 Brownley (CA) Garrett  
 Buchanan Gerlach  
 Bucshon Gibbs  
 Burgess Gibson  
 Bustos Gingrey (GA)  
 Butterfield Gohmert  
 Byrne Goodlatte  
 Calvert Gosar  
 Camp Gowdy  
 Campbell Granger  
 Capito Graves (GA)  
 Capps Graves (MO)  
 Capuano Grayson  
 Cardenas Green, Al  
 Carney Green, Gene  
 Carson (IN) Griffin (AR)  
 Carter Griffith (VA)  
 Cartwright Grimm  
 Castor (FL) Guthrie  
 Castro (TX) Hahn  
 Chabot Hall  
 Chaffetz Hanabusa  
 Chu Hanna  
 Cicilline Harper  
 Clawson (FL) Hartzler  
 Clay Hastings (FL)  
 Cleaver Hastings (WA)  
 Clyburn Heck (NV)  
 Coble Heck (WA)  
 Coffman Herrera Beutler  
 Cohen Higgins  
 Cole Himes  
 Collins (GA) Hinojosa  
 Collins (NY) Holding  
 Conaway Holt  
 Connolly Honda  
 Conyers Horsford  
 Cooper Hoyer  
 Costa Hudson  
 Cotton Huelskamp  
 Courtney Huffman  
 Cramer Huizenga (MI)  
 Crawford Hultgren  
 Crenshaw Hunter  
 Crowley Hurt  
 Cuellar Israel  
 Culberson Issa  
 Cummings Jackson Lee  
 Daines Jeffries  
 Davis (CA) Jenkins  
 Davis, Danny Johnson (GA)  
 Davis, Rodney Johnson (OH)  
 DeFazio Johnson, E. B.  
 DeGette Johnson, Sam  
 Delaney Jolly  
 DeLauro Jones  
 DelBene Jordan  
 Denham Joyce  
 Dent Kaptur  
 DeSantis Keating  
 Deutch Kelly (PA)  
 Diaz-Balart Kennedy  
 Doggett Kildee  
 Doyle Kilmer  
 Duckworth Kind  
 Duffy King (NY)

Polis Pompeio  
 Posey Price (GA)  
 Price (NC)  
 Quigley Kirkpatrick  
 Rahall Kline  
 Rangel Kuster  
 Reed Labrador  
 Reichert LaMalfa  
 Renacci Lamborn  
 Ribble Lance  
 Rice (SC) Langevin  
 Sessions Lankford  
 Shear-Porter Sherman  
 Rigell Sherman  
 Roby Shimkus  
 Roe (TN) Shuster  
 Rogers (AL) Simpson  
 Rogers (KY) Sinema  
 Rogers (MI) Sires  
 Rohrabacher Slaughter  
 Rokita Smith (MO)  
 Rooney Smith (NE)  
 Ros-Lehtinen Smith (NJ)  
 Roskam Smith (TX)  
 Ross Smith (WA)  
 Rothfus Southland  
 Roybal-Allard Speier  
 Royce Stewart  
 Runyan Stivers  
 Ruppersberger Stockman  
 Ryan (OH) Stutzman  
 Ryan (WI) Swailwell (CA)  
 Salmon Takano  
 Sanchez, Linda Terry  
 T. Thompson (CA)  
 Sanchez, Loretta Thompson (MS)  
 Sanford Thompson (PA)  
 Sarbanes Thornberry  
 Scalise Tiberi

## NOT VOTING—30

Bachmann Gutierrez  
 Bishop (GA) Nadler  
 Bishop (UT) Neal  
 Cassidy Hensarling  
 Clark (MA) Kelly (IL)  
 Clarke (NY) King (IA)  
 Cook Larson (CT)  
 DesJarlais Lee (CA)  
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 Miller, Gary  
 Grijalva Moran

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Mr. PAYNE changed his vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## SPECIALIST THEODORE MATTHEW GLENDE POST OFFICE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 5019) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1335 Jefferson Road in Rochester, New York, as the “Specialist Theodore Matthew Glende Post Office”, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. COLLINS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 399, nays 0, not voting 32, as follows:

[Roll No. 482]

## YEAS—399

Aderholt Duncan (TN) Kirkpatrick  
 Amash Edwards Kline  
 Amodei Ellison Kuster  
 Bachus Labradior  
 Barletta Engel LaMalfa  
 Barr Enyart Lamborn  
 Barrow (GA) Eshoo Lance  
 Barton Esty Langevin  
 Bass Farenthold Lankford  
 Beatty Farr  
 Becerra Fattah  
 Benishek Fincher  
 Bentivolio Fitzpatrick  
 Bera (CA) Fleischmann  
 Bilirakis Fleming  
 Bishop (NY) Flores  
 Black Forbes  
 Blackburn Fortenberry  
 Blumenauer Foster  
 Bonamici Foxx  
 Boustany Frankel (FL)  
 Brady (PA) Franks (AZ)  
 Brady (TX) Frelinghuysen  
 Braley (IA) Fudge  
 Bridenstine Gabbard  
 Brooks (AL) Gallego  
 Brooks (IN) Garamendi  
 Broun (GA) Gardner  
 Brown (FL) Garrett  
 Brownley (CA) Gerlach  
 Buchanan Gibbs  
 Bucshon Gibson  
 Burgess Gingrey (GA)  
 Bustos Gohmert  
 Butterfield Goodlatte  
 Byrne Gosar  
 Calvert Gowdy  
 Camp Granger  
 Campbell Graves (GA)  
 Capito Graves (MO)  
 Capps Grayson  
 Capuano Green, Al  
 Cardenas Green, Gene  
 Carney Griffin (AR)  
 Carson (IN) Griffith (VA)  
 Carter Grimm  
 Cartwright Guthrie  
 Castor (FL) Hahn  
 Castro (TX) Hall  
 Chabot Hanabusa  
 Chaffetz Hanna  
 Chu Harper  
 Cicilline Hartzler  
 Clawson (FL) Hastings (FL)  
 Clay Hastings (WA)  
 Cleaver Heck (NV)  
 Clyburn Heck (WA)  
 Coble Herrera Beutler  
 Coffman Higgins  
 Cohen Himes  
 Cole Hinojosa  
 Collins (GA) Holding  
 Collins (NY) Holt  
 Conaway Honda  
 Connolly Horsford  
 Conyers Hoyer  
 Cooper Hudson  
 Costa Huelskamp  
 Cotton Huffman  
 Courtney Huizenga (MI)  
 Cramer Hultgren  
 Crawford Hunter  
 Crenshaw Hurt  
 Crowley Israel  
 Cuellar Issa  
 Culberson Jackson Lee  
 Cummings Jeffries  
 Daines Jenkins  
 Davis (CA) Johnson (GA)  
 Davis, Danny Johnson (OH)  
 Davis, Rodney Johnson, E. B.  
 DeFazio Johnson, Sam  
 DeGette Jolly  
 Delaney Jones  
 DeLauro Jordan  
 DelBene Joyce  
 Denham Keating  
 Dent Kelly (PA)  
 DeSantis Kennedy  
 Deutch Kildee  
 Diaz-Balart Kilmer  
 Doggett Pitts  
 Doyle Kind  
 Duckworth King (NY)  
 Duffy Kingston  
 Duncan (SC) Kinzinger (IL)