

(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 “Captain Miguel Justin Nava Post Office”.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New York (Mr. LANGWORTHY) and the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. LANGWORTHY. 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 this measure.

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

There was no objection.

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

I rise in support of this bill, which would rename a post office in Michigan for Captain Miguel Justin Nava.

After graduating from Comstock Park High School in 2013, Nava attended the United States Naval Academy. He was commissioned into the Marine Corps to become a pilot and later promoted to the rank of captain in November of 2021.

I urge my colleagues to support this bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 9285.

I yield 2 minutes to the gentlewoman from Michigan (Ms. SCHOLTEN) for any remarks she may have.

Ms. SCHOLTEN. Mr. Speaker, I am so pleased that my bill to rename the Comstock Park, Michigan, post office after Captain Miguel Justin Nava is being brought up for consideration today.

Captain Nava is an American hero. He represented the best of west Michigan. It is only right that his legacy is remembered in the community that helped raise him.

A true son of west Michigan, Captain Nava was widely admired and respected throughout the community. After graduating from Comstock Park High School, Captain Nava was nominated by former Congressman Justin Amash, who previously represented my district. He attended the United States Naval Academy. He was then commissioned to the Marine Corps to become a pilot, earning his wings in July of 2020. He was promoted to the rank of captain in 2021.

Captain Nava earned several decorations for his service, including the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal and the National Defense Service Medal and the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon.

He was tragically killed while serving his country in a helicopter training exercise in February of this year. He is survived by a loving family whom he cherished, including the love of his life, his wife Ryann Isabelle Andres; his young son, Luca; his parents, Lisa and Javier; his brother, Nikolas, along with his grandparents and in-laws and many other family members who keep his legacy alive.

Getting to know Captain Nava's family and learning about his incredible legacy has been one of the true privileges of my service and representation of this district. I was proud to lead a moment of silence earlier this year honoring Captain Nava and his three fellow marines who were killed in the training exercise and later to welcome his body home to Grand Rapids at the Gerald R. Ford International Airport.

The groundswell of support for this bill that we have received both from the Comstock Park community and Captain Nava's fellow marines has been nothing short of inspiring. Passing this bill is the least we can do for a man who lived his life with honor and integrity in service to our Nation.

Mr. Speaker, I urge the passage of this bill.

Mr. LANGWORTHY. Mr. Speaker, I have no further speakers, and I am prepared to close. I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Mr. Speaker, I urge the passage of H.R. 9285, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. LANGWORTHY. Mr. Speaker, I strongly encourage my House colleagues to support this bill honoring Captain Miguel Justin Nava, an American hero. 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. LANGWORTHY) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 9285.

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.

#### JUDGE JAMES R. WILLIAMS POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. LANGWORTHY. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 9322) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 675 Wolf Ledges Parkway in Akron, Ohio, as the “Judge James R. Williams Post Office Building”.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 9322

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

#### SECTION 1. JUDGE JAMES R. WILLIAMS POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 675 Wolf Ledges Parkway in Akron, Ohio, shall

be known and designated as the “Judge James R. Williams 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 “Judge James R. Williams Post Office Building”.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New York (Mr. LANGWORTHY) and the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. LANGWORTHY. 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 this measure.

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

There was no objection.

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

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of this bill, which would rename a post office in Ohio for Judge James R. Williams.

President Jimmy Carter appointed Judge Williams as the U.S. attorney for the Northern District of Ohio. Judge Williams made history as the first African-American judge on the Summit County Common Pleas Court, appointed in 1989 and was reelected in 1990, 1992, and 1998.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 9322.

I yield 3 minutes to the gentlewoman from Ohio (Mrs. SYKES) for any remarks she may have.

Mrs. SYKES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to urge my colleagues to support H.R. 9322 to designate the United States Post Office located at 675 Wolf Ledges Parkway in Akron, Ohio, as the Judge James R. Williams Post Office Building.

This bill has earned unanimous bipartisan support from every member of the Ohio delegation, and I thank my colleagues from the Ohio delegation for lending their names to this bill.

Judge James R. Williams lived an impressive and meaningful life that continues to impact Ohio's 13th Congressional District through his life's work as a civil rights leader, city councilman, civic leader, judge, scholar, and veteran.

Born in Columbus, Mississippi, Judge Williams moved to Ohio following Active-Duty service in the United States Army. He attended the University of Akron and was one of the first Black students to graduate from the university's school of law, blazing a trail for a more inclusive and diverse legal field.

After law school, Mr. Williams went into private practice until 1978, when he was appointed as the United States attorney for the Northern District of Ohio by President Jimmy Carter. Six years later, he was appointed as judge for the Akron Municipal Court and elected to that court in 1985 and 1987.

Judge Williams became the first Black judge to serve on the Summit County Court of Common Pleas when he was appointed to the bench in 1989. He was elected three more times, serving the people of Summit County, including presiding over several high-profile cases of national importance.

Mr. Speaker, if I may, I had the opportunity to work with Judge Williams when I was a summer law clerk at the Akron Municipal Court, and he was a tough but fair jurist. He reminded me that coming to the court, you will see people who are experiencing perhaps the worst day of their life, and you have to remember that your job is to provide justice and kindness to those before you.

Judge Williams' distinguished service continued in his private life as a civil rights activist and leader for many civic organizations, including as secretary of the Akron NAACP and vice-president of the Ohio NAACP.

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Mr. Speaker, on a special note, Judge Williams was elected as the 25th general president of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated, the oldest intercollegiate fraternity for Black men, where he was the principal founder of the Alpha Phi Alpha Homes, Incorporated, a visionary nonprofit responsible for building 1,600 housing units in northeast Ohio, including low-income and senior housing units in 10 northeast Ohio communities.

Today is Alpha Phi Alpha's 118th celebration. I can't think of a more fitting way to recognize the fraternity and its 25th general president than with the naming of this post office.

Judge Williams was a legal luminary whose unwavering dedication to justice paved the way for future generations of leaders in Akron and across the country. I am proud to lead the effort to rename the Wolf Ledges Post Office in Akron to honor his memory and to serve as a reminder of the ongoing impact of his legacy on our community.

Sadly, Judge Williams passed away in 2020. Upon his passing, his wife, Jewell, offered these words from an old hymn that summed up his character which said: May the work I have done speak for me. May the service I give speak for me.

Mr. Speaker, I hope you and all of my colleagues will join me in honoring Judge James Williams' lifetime of accomplishments and legacy of service by voting in favor of this bill.

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Mr. Speaker, I urge passage of this legislation, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. LANGWORTHY. Mr. Speaker, I have no further speakers. I am pre-

pared to close, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Mr. Speaker, I have no further speakers. I urge the passage of H.R. 9322, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. LANGWORTHY. Mr. Speaker, I encourage my House colleagues to support this bill to acknowledge the great life of Judge Williams and all of the service that he gave his community.

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 New York (Mr. LANGWORTHY) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 9322.

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.

#### MAYOR ROB GORDON POST OFFICE

Mr. LANGWORTHY. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 9421) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 108 North Main Street in Bucoda, Washington, as the "Mayor Rob Gordon Post Office".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 9421

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

#### SECTION 1. MAYOR ROB GORDON POST OFFICE.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 108 North Main Street in Bucoda, Washington, shall be known and designated as the "Mayor Rob Gordon 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 "Mayor Rob Gordon Post Office".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New York (Mr. LANGWORTHY) and the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. LANGWORTHY. 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 this measure.

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

There was no objection.

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

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of this bill which honors Mayor Rob Gordon by naming a post office in his memory.

Mayor Gordon was a lifelong resident of southwest Washington. He was elect-

ed mayor of Bucoda, a town of approximately 580 residents, in May 2021, and served until his passing.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 9421.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentlewoman from Washington (Ms. PEREZ) for any remarks she may have.

Ms. PEREZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mayor Rob Gordon of Bucoda, who passed away this June after a 7-month battle with stomach cancer. Rob Gordon was born in Centralia, Washington, and remained a lifelong, loyal resident of southwest Washington. He was elected mayor of Bucoda, a town of about 580 people, in May of 2021, and served as its mayor until his passing.

Before and during his tenure as mayor, Rob was the assistant chief of the Bucoda Fire Department where he had been serving as a firefighter since he was 16 years old.

In addition to his decades of public service, Mayor Gordon also worked for his family's company, which he co-owned with his brother, driving dump trucks and log trucks. Outside of work, he enjoyed raising cattle on his family farm, collecting old International Tractors, and he passed down his love of fixing stuff to his children, Jakob and Anna.

It is fitting to rename this post office after Rob, a place where rural neighbors convene and routine and profound work is done quietly, diligently, and honorably. Honor, diligence, and community were all qualities that Rob exemplified.

On behalf of Rob's family, his fellow firefighters, and friends across Bucoda and southwest Washington, and with the support of the Bucoda Town Council and Thurston County Board of Commissioners, it is my privilege to lead this bill to honor Rob's life of service.

Mr. Speaker, I look forward to its being signed into law. I encourage all of my colleagues to support this bill.

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Mr. Speaker, I urge the passage of H.R. 9421, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. LANGWORTHY. Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to honor Mayor Gordon, a man deeply committed to his community, by supporting this postal naming.

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 New York (Mr. LANGWORTHY) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 9421.

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.