

lead infantry and sniper units and later held leadership positions, including Deputy Commanding General for the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force.

He earned numerous honors, including the Navy Distinguished Service Medal and Bronze Star with a Combat V, marking a distinguished military career.

In addition to his military achievements, Brigadier General Lopez worked in aerospace and defense, served on national security boards, and remained actively engaged in veterans' advocacy activities.

Mr. Speaker, I commend my colleague, Congressman CARBAJAL, for advocating on behalf of his constituents and bringing this bill to the floor. I encourage my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Brigadier General Lopez by naming a post office in Santa Barbara, California, after him.

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

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

Ms. RANDALL. Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from California (Mr. CARBAJAL).

Mr. CARBAJAL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to encourage every Member of this Chamber to support this legislation honoring one of Santa Barbara County's own, Brigadier General Frederick R. Lopez.

My bill would name the South Patterson Avenue post office in recognition of General Lopez's distinguished legacy of service and his dedication to our country, serving in the United States Marine Corps for over 30 years, both in Active Duty and the Reserves.

General Lopez was born in Santa Barbara as the oldest of six siblings and spent his childhood between the communities of Santa Barbara and Lompoc, and later in Goleta.

After graduating from Lompoc High School, he attended Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, where he earned a degree in mathematics.

Upon graduation, General Lopez joined the United States Marine Corps in 1967. Soon after, he was deployed overseas for the Vietnam war, serving as an infantry rifle platoon commander and a regimental sniper platoon commander, as well. His service earned him both a Bronze Star and a Combat Action Ribbon, as well as the respect of the marines he served with.

Over his 30 years of service, General Lopez served in a number of critical leadership roles, including as a company commander of the Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company, commanding general for the 4th Marine Division, and deputy commanding general of the 1st Expeditionary Force.

He is a distinguished graduate of the NATO Joint Warfare Officers Course, the Naval War College Strategy and Policy Course, the Armed Forces Work Colleges National Security Course, the Senior Reserve Components Officers

Course at the U.S. Army War College, and five other professional military schools.

Outside of his military service, General Lopez has been an active member of his community, serving on the board of directors of many organizations, including the Pierre Claeysens Veterans Foundation in Santa Barbara. He has also been a member of the Military Order of the World Wars for over 20 years. He was elected the 90th National Commander-in-Chief for the MOWW in 2020 and serves as the local Colonel George C. Woolsey Chapter commander.

General Lopez's service is beyond worthy of recognition by Congress. He represents the best of our servicemembers, and his leadership will inspire others to continue in his footsteps for years and decades to come, serving our Nation and the military families of the central coast.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing and thanking General Lopez for his exemplary service to our country by passing my bill to name the South Patterson Avenue post office in his honor.

Ms. RANDALL. Mr. Speaker, I have no further speakers, and I urge the passage of H.R. 2175. I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. GILL of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time.

Mr. Speaker, I encourage my House colleagues to support this bill, naming the post office for Brigadier General Frederick Lopez, a highly decorated U.S. Marine Corps veteran.

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 Texas (Mr. GILL) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2175.

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.

#### REVEREND HAROLD MIDDLEBROOK POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. GILL of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1372) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 300 Macedonia Lane in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the "Reverend Harold Middlebrook Post Office Building".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 1372

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

#### SECTION 1. REVEREND HAROLD MIDDLEBROOK POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 300 Macedonia Lane in Knoxville, Tennessee, shall be known and designated as the "Reverend Harold Middlebrook 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 "Reverend Harold Middlebrook Post Office Building".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GILL) and the gentlewoman from Washington (Ms. RANDALL) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Texas.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GILL of Texas. 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 Texas?

There was no objection.

Mr. GILL of Texas. 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 Knoxville, Tennessee, for Reverend Harold Middlebrook.

Reverend Middlebrook played a crucial role in the civil rights movement during the sanitation workers strike in Memphis and later founded the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Commission in Knoxville.

Reverend Middlebrook was president of the Bolivar Human Development Corporation, an adviser to the Hardeman County Bi-Racial Commission, coordinator of the Hardeman County Political Action Commission, and an advisory board member of the Tennessee Public Service Commission.

Reverend Middlebrook was a loving father to his three children, two of whom followed his footsteps to work in public service.

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

Ms. RANDALL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 1372.

I offer that I think many members of the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform were very interested to ensure that this bill made it in the package today, so I am glad to see it here.

Reverend Harold Middlebrook was born in Memphis on July 4, 1942. He was a civil rights activist, ordained minister, and leader in the community. Through his active involvement with the civil rights movement, he became friends and marched with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., on more than one occasion.

Reverend Middlebrook secured the appearance of Dr. King for multiple strikes and also participated in multiple sit-ins in Atlanta while a minister at Ebenezer Baptist Church, where Dr. King held a pastorate.

I encourage my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Reverend Middlebrook by naming a post office in Knoxville, Tennessee, after him.

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

Mr. GILL of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I yield 5 minutes to the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. BURCHETT).

Mr. BURCHETT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of my dear friend and fellow east Tennessean, Reverend Harold Middlebrook.

Reverend Middlebrook moved to east Tennessee, my district, actually, in 1977. Of course, I was in the seventh grade then. I don't know if technically it would be called my district, but he was the pastor of the Canaan Baptist Church of Christ.

Before moving to Knoxville, Reverend Middlebrook played a crucial role in the civil rights movement. He was a close friend of Dr. King. He joined the Memphis sanitation workers strike, and that was a labor and civil rights movement where sanitation workers protested unsafe working conditions and low wages. He was at the Lorraine Motel when Dr. King was assassinated.

In 1986, he founded the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration Commission in Knoxville. I will say, for the record, every time they do the parade, it is the coldest day of the year, just for the record.

He was also president of the Bolivar Human Development Corporation and adviser to the Hardeman County Bi-Racial Commission. He was a co-coordinator of the Hardeman County Political Action Commission, and he was an advisory member to the Tennessee Public Service Commission.

Beyond his leadership, Reverend Middlebrook is a loving father to three children, as was stated earlier, two of whom followed in his footsteps to work in public service.

Reverend Middlebrook spent his life befriending and mentoring folks in our community. Many friends of mine and I have sought his counsel. Just for the record, Mr. Speaker, he has never voted for me. He is not a member of my political party, but we are still very good friends. I think that is something that is missing in this country.

When I was mayor of Knox County, I would always invite a bunch of young people from the office to go down to Calhoun's, and we would all eat a bunch of barbecue. I would want those young people to understand that the civil rights movement was not something in black and white on the History Channel. It was real life. People got their heads cracked, and people lost their lives. Dr. Middlebrook, I think, got arrested over 40 times during all of that. He is an inspiration to me.

One other story: We were at an NAACP dinner one night, and they were asking everybody to sit at the head table. I was mayor at the time, and they asked me to sit at that head table. I noted that Dr. Middlebrook and his bride were not sitting at that head table, and I said: No, my wife and I will sit over here off to the side. I like to

run with the ones that brought me to the table, and Dr. Middlebrook is one of those guys. He believed in dignity for all, and he is a testament to his faith in Jesus.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to support this.

Ms. RANDALL. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time.

Mr. Speaker, I urge strong support from all of our colleagues for H.R. 1372.

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

Mr. GILL of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time.

Mr. Speaker, I encourage my House colleagues to support this bill naming a post office for an honored community member, Reverend Harold Middlebrook.

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 Texas (Mr. GILL) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1372.

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.

#### 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 5 o'clock and 49 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. HARIDOPOLOS) at 6 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed. Votes will be taken in the following order:

S. 356; and  
H.R. 1676.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XX, the remaining electronic vote will be conducted as a 5-minute vote.

#### SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2025

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (S. 356) to extend the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, 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 California (Mr. LAMALFA) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 399, nays 5, not voting 28, as follows:

[Roll No. 315]

YEAS—399

Adams	DeSaulnier	Hoyle (OR)
Aderholt	DesJarlais	Huffman
Aguilar	Dexter	Huizenga
Alford	Diaz-Balart	Hunt
Allen	Dingell	Hurd (CO)
Amo	Doggett	Issa
Amodei (NV)	Donalds	Ivey
Ansari	Downing	Jack
Auchincloss	Dunn (FL)	Jackson (IL)
Babin	Edwards	Jackson (TX)
Bacon	Elfreth	Jacobs
Balderson	Ellzey	Jayapal
Balint	Emmer	Jeffries
Barragán	Escobar	Johnson (GA)
Barrett	Espallat	Johnson (SD)
Baumgartner	Estes	Johnson (TX)
Bean (FL)	Evans (CO)	Jordan
Beatty	Evans (PA)	Joyce (OH)
Begich	Ezell	Joyce (PA)
Bell	Fallon	Kamlager-Dove
Bentz	Fedorchak	Kaptur
Bera	Feenstra	Kean
Bergman	Fields	Keating
Beyer	Figures	Kelly (IL)
Bice	Fine	Kelly (MS)
Biggs (AZ)	Finstad	Kelly (PA)
Biggs (SC)	Fischbach	Kennedy (NY)
Bilirakis	Fitzgerald	Kennedy (UT)
Bishop	Fitzpatrick	Khanna
Boebert	Fleischmann	Kiggans (VA)
Bonamici	Fletcher	Kiley (CA)
Bost	Flood	Kim
Boyle (PA)	Fong	Knott
Brecheen	Foster	Krishnamoorthi
Brown	Foushee	Kustoff
Brownley	Fox	LaHood
Buchanan	Frankel, Lois	LaLota
Budzinski	Franklin, Scott	LaMalfa
Bynum	Friedman	Landsman
Calvert	Frost	Langworthy
Cammack	Fry	Larsen (WA)
Carbajal	Fulcher	Larson (CT)
Carey	Garamendi	Latimer
Carson	Garbarino	Latta
Carter (GA)	Garcia (CA)	Lawler
Carter (LA)	Garcia (IL)	Lee (FL)
Carter (TX)	Garcia (TX)	Lee (NV)
Case	Gill (TX)	Lee (PA)
Casten	Gillen	Leger Fernandez
Castor (FL)	Golden (ME)	Letlow
Castro (TX)	Goldman (NY)	Levin
Cherfilus-	Goldman (TX)	Liccardo
McCormick	Gomez	Lieu
Chu	Gonzales, Tony	Lofgren
Cisneros	Gonzalez, V.	Loudermilk
Clark (MA)	Gooden	Lucas
Clarke (NY)	Goodlander	Luna
Cleaver	Gosar	Luttrell
Cline	Gottheimer	Lynch
Cloud	Graves	Mace
Clyburn	Gray	Magaziner
Clyde	Green, Al (TX)	Malliotakis
Cohen	Greene (GA)	Maloy
Cole	Griffith	Mann
Comer	Grijalva	Mannion
Conaway	Grothman	Mast
Correa	Guest	Matsui
Costa	Guthrie	McBath
Courtney	Hageman	McBride
Craig	Hamadeh (AZ)	McClain
Crane	Harder (CA)	McClain Delaney
Crank	Haridopolos	McClellan
Crawford	Harrigan	McClintock
Crenshaw	Harris (MD)	McCollum
Crockett	Harris (NC)	McCormick
Crow	Harshbarger	McDonald Rivet
Cuellar	Hayes	McDowell
Davids (KS)	Hern (OK)	McGarvey
Davidson	Higgins (LA)	McGovern
Davis (NC)	Hill (AR)	McIver
De La Cruz	Himes	Meeks
Dean (PA)	Hinson	Menendez
DeGette	Horsford	Meng
DeLauro	Houchin	Messmer
DelBene	Houlihan	Miller (IL)
Deluzio	Hoyer	Miller (OH)