

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. 6020.

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.

PATRICIA PAIGE POST OFFICE

Mr. GILL of Texas. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 6317) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 12109 New Kent Highway in New Kent, Virginia, as the "Patricia Paige Post Office".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 6317

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

SECTION 1. PATRICIA PAIGE POST OFFICE.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 12109 New Kent Highway in New Kent, Virginia, shall be known and designated as the "Patricia Paige 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 "Patricia Paige Post Office".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GILL) and the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. SUBRAMANYAM) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Texas.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GILL of Texas. Madam 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. Madam Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. WITTMAN).

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of this piece of legislation to designate the New Kent Post Office in honor of a remarkable public servant, Patricia Paige.

Patricia was the very definition of a community leader, and her impact will be felt for generations.

I knew Patricia. She was an incredible lady, one who served both her country, her Commonwealth, and her community through those years.

After graduating from New Kent High School, she served our Nation honorably in the United States Army Reserve for 21 years, embodying the very best of service and sacrifice.

Patricia's commitment didn't end with her military service. Patricia con-

tinued to give back at home. She stepped forward in 2015 to serve on the New Kent County Board of Supervisors. Relected by her community multiple times, she earned the trust and respect of those whom she represented through her tireless dedication and steady leadership.

When Patricia saw an issue, saw a problem, or saw a challenge, she ran to that opportunity to make sure that she worked for her community. She was fearless, and she was selfless.

During her time on the New Kent County Board of Supervisors, Ms. Paige worked tirelessly to bring people together across generations. She created new opportunities for young people by ensuring student voices were included in local government, appointing high school students to county committees for the very first time. At the same time, she championed efforts to protect seniors by helping establish the Chickahominy Triad to educate older residents about fraud and technological threats.

Patricia was a fighter in every sense of the word. As a cancer survivor, Patricia courageously battled the disease multiple times, while supporting others who were facing similar struggles. She was so brave in the face of this devastating disease that you would never have known that she was facing countless challenges in her own private life and her own personal health as you saw her out in the community serving others.

Whether Patricia was organizing events like the Relay for Life or standing beside fellow survivors, she brought strength, compassion, and dignity to every effort that she pursued.

Beyond her many accomplishments, Patricia Paige will be remembered for her character, a leader with an infectious smile, a steadfast advocate, and somebody who never ever walked away from a challenge in the community.

Patricia never saw a stranger anywhere she went. She worked across the region to accomplish big things, like the extension and expansion of Interstate 64 through New Kent County, which was a passion of hers, and she made sure that that got done.

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I can tell you that when members of the legislature and members of the Regional Transportation Authority saw Patricia Paige, they knew what she was going to come and talk to them about and to make sure that her constituents had that modernized transportation system through the county—one that kept travelers safe, but also made sure that there was an economic opportunity in New Kent County based upon that main thoroughfare of Interstate 64.

Madam Speaker, I am honored to speak on behalf of this legislation today to rename the post office in New Kent County so that Patricia Paige's life and her legacy will continue to be recognized for generations to come.

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

Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 6317 as well to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service at 12109 New Kent Highway in New Kent, Virginia, as the Patricia Paige Post Office.

Patricia Paige was a veteran of the U.S. Army Reserves and a longtime member of the New Kent County Board of Supervisors. She served her community for decades.

I am proud to be a cosponsor of this bill, and I encourage my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Patricia Paige by naming the post office in New Kent after her.

Madam Speaker, I urge passage of 6317, and I yield back the balance of my time.

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

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to vote in favor of the bill to honor Patricia Paige, and 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. 6317.

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.

PHARMACIST'S MATE FIRST CLASS JOHN HARLAN WILLIS POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. GILL of Texas. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 6808) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 417 West 7th Street in Columbia, Tennessee, as the "Pharmacist's Mate First Class John Harlan Willis Post Office Building".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 6808

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

SECTION 1. PHARMACIST'S MATE FIRST CLASS JOHN HARLAN WILLIS POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 417 West 7th Street in Columbia, Tennessee, shall be known and designated as the "Pharmacist's Mate First Class John Harlan Willis 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 "Pharmacist's Mate First Class John Harlan Willis Post Office Building".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GILL) and the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. SUBRAMANYAM) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Virginia.

GENERAL LEAVE

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

Mr. OGLES. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a son of Tennessee whose courage still echoes across generations, a man who represents the very best of Middle Tennessee and the very best of this country, John Harlan Willis.

Born in Columbia, Tennessee, John Harlan Willis was one of those young men who didn't wait for history to call his name. At 19, before the United States had entered World War II, he stepped forward and enlisted in the United States Navy. He became a pharmacist's mate, a corpsman attached to the Marine infantry where his duty was clear and unforgiving. When others hit the ground, he got up, and he moved forward and went straight into the fire to keep his fellow Americans alive.

On the black sands of the Battle of Iwo Jima, one of the most brutal battles in American history, Willis stood shoulder to shoulder with Marines under relentless enemy fire. He moved forward when others were forced down, crossing open ground under artillery and mortar fire to reach the wounded. Even after he himself was struck by shrapnel, he refused evacuation. He did not step back. He went forward again.

Then came the moment that defines him. As enemy grenades began landing among his fellow Marines, Willis did something almost impossible to comprehend. He picked them up, one after another, and threw them back toward the enemy, not once, not twice, but eight times. He chose the lives of others over his own. Eight times he placed himself between death and his fellow Americans. On the ninth grenade, there was no time left. It detonated in his hand. He was 23 years old.

In that instant, John Harlan Willis gave everything he had so others might live, not because anyone ordered him to, not because anyone was watching, but because that is who he was.

He left behind a widow, Winfrey Willis, and a young son, John Harlan Willis, Jr., a family that carried forward his name and his legacy. Today, that legacy belongs not just to Columbia, not just to Tennessee, but the entire Nation.

We live in a time when words like "courage" and "sacrifice" are often used lightly. If we want to understand what those words truly mean, we should look to the men like John Harlan Willis. He reminds us that great-

ness is not found in titles or positions but in decisive moments when a person chooses others over themselves.

Naming the United States Post Office in Columbia in his honor is more than a symbolic act. It is a statement about who we choose to remember. It is a commitment that future generations walking into that building will see his name and ask who he was. When they learn, they will understand what the country expects of its sons and daughters.

John Harlan Willis is not just a hero of the past, he is a standard for the future.

Madam Speaker, before I close, I would ask this body for a brief moment of silence for Pharmacist's Mate First Class John Harlan Willis; for his widow, Winfrey Willis; and for his son, John Harlan Willis, Jr., a man who had to grow up without his father; and for all of those who gave everything so that we may stand here today free.

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

Madam Speaker, I rise today also in support of H.R. 6808. I encourage my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Pharmacist's Mate First Class Willis by naming the post office in Columbia, Tennessee, after him.

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

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

Madam Speaker, I encourage my colleagues to support this bill naming the post office for Pharmacist's Mate First Class John Harlan Willis.

Madam 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. 6808.

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.

JEREMY MALONE POST OFFICE

Mr. GILL of Texas. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 6995) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 825 Highway 198 in Beaumont, Mississippi, as the "Jeremy Malone Post Office".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 6995

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

SECTION 1. JEREMY MALONE POST OFFICE.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 825 Highway 198 in Beaumont, Mississippi, shall be known and designated as the "Jeremy Malone 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 "Jeremy Malone Post Office".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GILL) and the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. SUBRAMANYAM) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Texas.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GILL of Texas. Madam 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. Madam Speaker, I yield 5 minutes to the gentleman from Mississippi (Mr. EZELL).

Mr. EZELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of my legislation to designate the United States Postal Service facility located at 825 Highway 198 in Beaumont, Mississippi, as the Jeremy Malone Post Office.

Deputy Jeremy Malone was a dedicated law enforcement officer for over 21 years of service to the people of South Mississippi. On January 4, 2024, he was tragically killed in the line of duty during a traffic stop in George County, Mississippi.

As a former law enforcement officer myself, I know the sacrifices that come from wearing a badge. Deputy Malone understood that calling, and he lived every single day serving others, protecting the community, and putting others before himself.

Jeremy Malone was more than a deputy. He was a husband, a father, and a man deeply committed to his community. He volunteered his time to help families and children in need, and he made a lasting impact on the lives of those around him.

He is survived by his wife, Hilary, and their three daughters, and our prayers remain with them.

This designation is a small but meaningful way to ensure that his service, his sacrifice, and his legacy are never forgotten. It will stand as a daily reminder of the bravery of those who serve and the price that is sometimes paid.

Deputy Malone represented the very best of law enforcement in South Mississippi.

I urge my colleagues to support this legislation and join me in honoring the life of a true American hero.

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

Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 6995 as well. I encourage my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Jeremy Malone by naming the Post Office in Beaumont after him, and I yield back the balance of my time.