

SECTION 1. LOGAN S. PALMER POST OFFICE.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1355 North Meridian Road in Harristown, Illinois, shall be known and designated as the “Logan S. Palmer 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 “Logan S. Palmer Post Office”.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SERGEANT DONALD BURGETT
POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. RUSSELL. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform be discharged from further consideration of the bill (H.R. 6020) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 325 South Michigan Avenue in Howell, Michigan, as the “Sergeant Donald Burgett Post Office Building”, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

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

There was no objection.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 6020

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

SECTION 1. SERGEANT DONALD BURGETT POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 325 South Michigan Avenue in Howell, Michigan, shall be known and designated as the “Sergeant Donald Burgett 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 “Sergeant Donald Burgett Post Office Building”.

Mr. BISHOP of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, today I rise in support of my legislation, H R. 6020, a bill to rename the Howell Post Office after a local, and really a national, hero: Sergeant Donald Burgett.

Mr. Donald Burgett was born in Detroit, Michigan on April 25, 1925. On his 18th birthday he followed in his brother's footsteps and joined the Army. He joined the newly formed paratroop company and became a member of the famous 101st Airborne. Assigned to A Company, he fought in battles throughout the European Theatre.

His story is quite simply amazing. He dropped over 12 miles away from his drop zone at just after one in the morning. He fought in the battle at Ravenoville in a little village along the coast of Normandy, where he was among the group of Americans that liberated the first village in Europe—and this was all before sunrise that day. From there, he fought in battles all down the coastline, being attacked by the Germans at every turn and even being attacked by Russian cavalry at one point on his way to Carentan where he was wounded twice in action.

After surviving Normandy, Mr. Burgett went on to fight in Operation Market-Graden in Holland and survive the bitterly cold siege of Bastogne during the Battle of the Bulge. Sergeant Burgett returned to the States on January 1, 1946—at the age of just 20 years old. After the war, Sergeant Burgett picked up flying, became a pilot and visited all the states in his own plane. He married his wife in 1953, and they had 5 children which they raised in Howell, MI.

He was a very active member of his community, including extensive service with the VFW, American Legion, and Disabled American Veterans. He authored four books which gave firsthand accounts of the paratroopers' experience in WWII. The first of that series was “Curraheel: A Screaming Eagle at Normandy”, which was endorsed by President Dwight D. Eisenhower. He also wrote “The Road to Arnhem: A Screaming Eagle in Holland”, “Seven Roads to Hell: A Screaming Eagle at Bastogne”, and “Beyond the Rhine: A Screaming Eagle in Germany”.

Mr. Burgett passed away on March 23, 2017, at the age of 91. As a lifelong Michigander, Mr. Burgett was truly a member of the “Greatest Generation” and he spent a great deal of time making sure the efforts of his comrades would be known and remembered. I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring his life and his service to the country by making sure his name and legacy lives on in his community.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

COLONEL ALFRED ASCH POST
OFFICE

Mr. RUSSELL. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform be discharged from further consideration of the bill (H.R. 6116) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 362 North Ross Street in Beaverton, Michigan, as the “Colonel Alfred Asch Post Office”, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

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

There was no objection.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 6116

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

SECTION 1. COLONEL ALFRED ASCH POST OFFICE.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 362 North Ross Street in Beaverton, Michigan, shall be known and designated as the “Colonel Alfred Asch 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 “Colonel Alfred Asch Post Office”.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

JUDGE RUSSELL B. SUGARMON
POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. RUSSELL. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform be discharged from further consideration of the bill (H.R. 5349) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1320 Autumn Avenue in Memphis, Tennessee, as the “Judge Russell B. Sugarmon Post Office Building”, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

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

There was no objection.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 5349

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

SECTION 1. JUDGE RUSSELL B. SUGARMON POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1320 Autumn Avenue in Memphis, Tennessee, shall be known and designated as the “Judge Russell B. Sugarmon 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 Russell B. Sugarmon Post Office Building”.

AMENDMENT OFFERED BY MR. RUSSELL

Mr. RUSSELL. Mr. Speaker, I have an amendment at the desk.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the amendment.

The Clerk read as follows:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

SECTION 1. JUDGE RUSSELL B. SUGARMON POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1325 Autumn Avenue in Memphis, Tennessee, shall be known and designated as the “Judge Russell B. Sugarmon 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 Russell B. Sugarmon Post Office Building”.

Mr. RUSSELL (during the reading). Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to dispense with the reading.

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

There was no objection.

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of this body's action to pass HR. 5439, a bill I introduced to designate the U.S. Postal Office at 1320 Autumn Ave. Memphis, Tennessee as the “Judge Russell B. Sugarmon Post Office.”

I want to thank my colleagues from the Tennessee House delegation, Representatives ROE, DUNCAN, FLEISCHMANN, DESJARLAIS, COOPER, BLACK, BLACKBURN, and KUSTOFF, all of whom cosponsored this legislation honoring a great American. I also want to thank Chairman GOWDY and Ranking Member CUMMINGS for reporting this bill favorably out of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.