

The memories of what he endured in service to our country remained with him throughout his life. At times, they presented obstacles. However, he cherished the time spent with grandchildren, his participation in religious pilgrimages, and enjoying life's simple pleasures, like the sunrise and sunset of each passing day.

We lost Jose Ramos in 2017 to pancreatic cancer, a loss not only for his wife, Sylvia, his children, and grandchildren, his loss also left a hole in our community in Whittier. Renaming the Whittier Post Office in his honor is a fitting tribute to Jose Ramos and a very small token of gratitude from a grateful nation for his service.

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

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

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 3144, introduced by Representative LINDA SÁNCHEZ. This bill names a post office located in Whittier, California, in honor of Jose Ramos.

While still in high school, Jose Ramos enlisted in the Army. He served as a combat medic in Vietnam, during which time he was wounded. For his bravery and service, Mr. Ramos was awarded the Purple Heart.

Later diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder, Mr. Ramos dedicated his life to supporting his fellow soldiers. Mr. Ramos understood the criticism and isolation these veterans went through, and he spent many years trying to change the public's perspective of servicemembers.

In his later years, Mr. Ramos spoke at universities and schools about his experiences as a soldier. He was an unforgettable figure in his community.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this legislation, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. ROUDA. 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 California (Mr. ROUDA) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3144.

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.

RICHARD G. LUGAR POST OFFICE

Mr. ROUDA. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3152) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 456 North Meridian Street in Indianapolis, Indiana, as the "Richard G. Lugar Post Office".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 3152

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

SECTION 1. RICHARD G. LUGAR POST OFFICE.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 456 North Meridian Street in Indianapolis, Indiana, shall be known and designated as the "Richard G. Lugar 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 "Richard G. Lugar Post Office".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from California (Mr. ROUDA) and the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. GOSAR) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. ROUDA. 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 California?

There was no objection.

Mr. ROUDA. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. CARSON), who happens to have his birthday today. In an effort not to embarrass any Members, we will not sing "Happy Birthday" and simply yield to him to make a few statements.

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of a bill to name a U.S. Post Office in Indianapolis in honor of Senator Richard Lugar, who passed away earlier this year.

This bill is supported by the entire Indiana delegation, and I believe it is a wonderful start as we work to advance his iconic legacy.

I was fortunate to know Senator Lugar. He understood what it meant to be a true public servant, and the values he expertly displayed have inspired our work in Congress.

Senator Lugar served as mayor of Indianapolis from 1968 to 1975, and he also represented Indiana honorably in the U.S. Senate from 1977 to 2013.

Senator Lugar was a brilliant scholar, a brave member of our armed services, and a dedicated public servant who championed people and principle over party.

Senator Lugar's distinguished life, Mr. Speaker, is a testament to the type of leader that Indiana cultivates, and his public service is an unquestionable example of his deep commitment to our great country.

A native Hoosier, he studied at Denison University and at Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar.

Following graduation, Senator Lugar served in the United States Navy as an intelligence officer.

Senator Lugar rose to prominence in local politics, serving as the mayor of the city of Indianapolis. But it was the Senate where he became venerable, he became known, and he had become the leader that we all came to recognize.

Senator Lugar served as chairman of the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, where he garnered bipartisan support for great reforms in domestic policy.

Through his Senate tenure, he is perhaps best remembered for his wide-ranging impact on international affairs.

Senator Lugar served for 34 years on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, including two terms as chair.

After the collapse of the Soviet Union, Mr. Speaker, Senator Lugar helped reduce the threat of nuclear, chemical, and biological weapons through the passage and implementation of the Nunn-Lugar Program. This bipartisan effort, Mr. Speaker, secured and dismantled the former power's most deadly weapons, making our world a safer place.

Senator Lugar also played a very important role in America's enactment of sanctions against the apartheid Government of South Africa and in the United States' recognition of a democratic government in the Philippines.

Senator Lugar contributed to the expansion of the NATO alliance; the implementation of the United States President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief, PEPFAR, to end the global AIDS epidemic; and the ratification of antiterrorist treaties.

For all he accomplished, Mr. Speaker, Senator Lugar was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2013 by President Barack Obama, our Nation's highest civilian honor.

In his final years, he served as president of The Lugar Center, a nonprofit organization focused on global food security, combating nuclear proliferation, enhancing foreign aid, and promoting bipartisan governance.

Senator Lugar's tireless efforts and commitment to good governance helped make the world a better and safer place, and his commitment to bipartisanship won the respect of people across the political spectrum, including President Barack Obama.

In our very divided society, Mr. Speaker, it is now more important than ever that we reach across the aisle and listen to each other's concerns the same way Senator Lugar did throughout his many years of public service.

All of us, regardless of our party's affiliation, should draw inspiration from Senator Lugar's dedication to our country, and all of us should strengthen his legacy by pledging to advance the Hoosier values and American values of bipartisanship and cooperation that defined his life. Let this bill be the first step to advance that goal. I urge my colleagues to join us in supporting this effort.

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

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 3152. The bill names a post office located in Indianapolis, Indiana, in honor of former Senator Richard G. Lugar.

Even before joining the Senate, Dick Lugar dedicated himself to public service. Senator Lugar worked as an intelligence officer in the Navy, served on the Indianapolis school board, and spent 8 years as the mayor of Indianapolis.

In 1976, Senator Lugar was elected to the United States Senate. Senator Lugar became Indiana's longest serving Senator, serving 36 years until his retirement in 2013.

While in office, Senator Lugar had a wide range of accomplishments that covered many policy areas. He twice chaired the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry and worked on bipartisan farm program reforms. Senator Lugar also spent 34 years on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and twice served as chair.

Senator Lugar has received countless awards, including the 2013 Presidential Medal of Freedom and 47 honorary degrees.

I urge my colleagues to support this legislation, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. ROUDA. 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 California (Mr. ROUDA) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3152.

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.

STAFF SERGEANT DYLAN ELCHIN POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. ROUDA. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3207) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 114 Mill Street in Hookstown, Pennsylvania, as the "Staff Sergeant Dylan Elchin Post Office Building", as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 3207

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

SECTION 1. STAFF SERGEANT DYLAN ELCHIN POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 114 Mill Street in Hookstown, Pennsylvania, shall be known and designated as the "Staff Sergeant Dylan Elchin 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 "Staff Sergeant Dylan Elchin Post Office Building".

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. CARSON of Indiana). Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from California (Mr. ROUDA) and the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. GOSAR) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. ROUDA. 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 California?

There was no objection.

Mr. ROUDA. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. LAMB).

Mr. LAMB. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 3207, my bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 114 Mill Street in Hookstown, Pennsylvania, as the Staff Sergeant Dylan Elchin Post Office Building.

Staff Sergeant Elchin served our country valiantly in the United States Air Force and was killed in action in November of 2018. He was a special tactics combat controller who was deployed to Afghanistan in August of last year as part of the U.S. Army Special Operations Force Operational Detachment-Alpha team.

Staff Sergeant Elchin's role included advising the ground force commander, directing air support aircraft, and supporting offensive combat operations. Dylan repeatedly disregarded his personal safety to coordinate lifesaving strikes and combat enemy fighters. Dylan's bravery was credited with saving the lives of many of his fellow soldiers and airmen.

At Staff Sergeant Elchin's funeral last year, we heard how, throughout all of the difficult conditions that Staff Sergeant Elchin experienced in Afghanistan, he was always cheerful, always enthusiastic, and always someone who inspired his fellow airmen no matter what. Mr. Speaker, I believe this is because Staff Sergeant Elchin was living his dream.

Staff Sergeant Elchin was born in Brighton Township, Pennsylvania, and grew up in Beaver County, and from the earliest age he had an interest in serving our country. Staff Sergeant Elchin was eager to follow in the footsteps of his grandfather, who served 8 years, himself, in the United States Army.

At the age of 14, Dylan immersed himself in military history, especially the Vietnam and Gulf wars, and this passion fueled his desire to serve.

Dylan enlisted in the Air Force as a special tactics combat controller, the best of the best, immediately after graduating from Hopewell High School in 2012. Dylan was assigned to the 26th Special Tactics Squadron at Cannon Air Force Base in New Mexico. Dylan was trained for combat operations, like precision strike and personnel recovery, and he was especially skilled in reconnaissance, air traffic control, and terminal attack control operations.

Staff Sergeant Elchin's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart, the Air Force Commendation Medal, the NATO Medal, and many others. Dylan was incredibly young to be honored in so many ways, which is a testament to his bravery, his skill, and his dedication to his mission.

Mr. Speaker, if we do our job and we pass this bill, the citizens of Hookstown and all over Beaver County will never forget Dylan's name, and they never should.

Dylan joins a long line of western Pennsylvanians who gave what Lincoln called the last full measure of devotion. We are proud of Dylan; we thank him for his service and his sacrifice; we honor him; and we will never forget him.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to support H.R. 3207.

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

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 3207. This bill names the post office located in Hookstown, Pennsylvania, in honor of Air Force Staff Sergeant Dylan Elchin.

In 2012, shortly after high school, Dylan enlisted as an Air Force special tactics combat controller. Dylan was assigned to the 26th Special Tactics Squadron at Cannon Air Force Base in New Mexico.

Dylan was deployed to Afghanistan in August of 2018. Just a few months later, he was killed by a roadside bomb.

Staff Sergeant Elchin received several honors, including the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, and Army Commendation with Valor. Today, we honor Staff Sergeant Elchin's life, bravery, and sacrifice.

I urge my colleagues to support this legislation, and I yield back the balance of my time.

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

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. ROUDA) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3207, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The title of the bill was amended so as to read: "A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 114 Mill Street in Hookstown, Pennsylvania, as the 'Staff Sergeant Dylan Elchin Post Office Building'".

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

LAKE HAVASU CITY COMBAT VETERANS MEMORIAL POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. ROUDA. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill