

I thank the honorable gentleman from Indiana for this legislation to honor this American patriot and hero.

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

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

I rise in support of H.R. 4734, which would name an Indiana Post Office after Ernest T. Pyle.

Ernie Pyle was born near Dana, Indiana. After graduating from high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Naval Reserve before attending Indiana University. At Indiana University he studied economics and journalism and wrote for the student newspaper.

During World War II, Pyle served as a war correspondent. He reported from the front lines of both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters of war. His accounts from the front helped provide Americans with valuable unseen perspectives of war.

His reporting helped lead to the creation of combat pay. Near the end of the war in April 1945, Pyle was reporting on the island of Iejima when he was killed by a lone Japanese machine gunner. He was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for journalism, as well as the Medal for Merit and the Purple Heart.

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

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CLOUD. Mr. Speaker, I yield 4 minutes to the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. BUCSHON).

Mr. BUCSHON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of my bill, H.R. 4734, which will designate the United States Post Office at 171 South Maple Street in Dana, Indiana, as the Ernest 'Ernie' Taylor Pyle Post Office.

I was proud to introduce this legislation with the support of the entire Indiana delegation to honor the life and achievements of a great Hoosier.

Born in Dana, Indiana, on August 3, 1900, Ernie Pyle was one of the most beloved and impactful war correspondents in World War II. Beginning in 1942, Pyle began reporting from the front lines in battles ranging from Anzio in Italy, to the beaches of Normandy on D-Day, to Okinawa in the Pacific. It was here that he brought the experiences and stories of the everyday soldier back home to America. His simple storytelling style and first-person perspectives endeared him to Americans back home and abroad alike.

While reporting from Italy, Pyle wrote in his column that our troops in combat should receive additional compensation for risking their lives as he was doing, eventually prompting Congress to pass a bill nicknamed "The Ernie Pyle Bill" that provided combat infantry with an additional \$5 to \$10 a month. This benefit would eventually lead to the creation of combat pay as we know it today.

Near the end of the war on April 18, 1945, Pyle was reporting on the U.S.

Army's 305th Infantry Regiment on the island of Iejima when he was killed by Japanese gunfire. Following his death, President Harry Truman stated, "No man in this war has so well told the story of the American fighting man as American fighting men wanted it told."

Ernie Pyle was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for journalism for his war correspondence as well as the Medal for Merit and the Purple Heart posthumously.

Today his legacy lives on through the work of dedicated nonprofit organizations and in museums and libraries, such as the Ernie Pyle Library in New Mexico that has been designated a national historic landmark and the Ernie Pyle World War II Museum in his home town of Dana, Indiana, in my congressional district.

I am grateful to this body for taking up this legislation to honor the legacy of a great Hoosier and an American hero. I urge a "yes" vote on this bill.

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

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support H.R. 4734, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4734.

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.

LANCE CORPORAL ANDY "ACE" NOWACKI POST OFFICE

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3275) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 340 Wetmore Avenue in Grand River, Ohio, as the "Lance Corporal Andy 'Ace' Nowacki Post Office".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 3275

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

SECTION 1. LANCE CORPORAL ANDY "ACE" NOWACKI POST OFFICE.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 340 Wetmore Avenue in Grand River, Ohio, shall be known and designated as the "Lance Corporal Andy 'Ace' Nowacki 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 "Lance Corporal Andy 'Ace' Nowacki Post Office".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY)

and the gentleman from Texas (Mr. CLOUD) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from New York.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. 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 gentlewoman from New York?

There was no objection.

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to join my colleagues in consideration of H.R. 3275 to designate the facility of the U.S. Post Office located at 340 Wetmore Avenue, Grand River, Ohio, as the Lance Corporal Andy 'Ace' Nowacki Post Office Building.

Andrew, known as Andy or Ace to those who knew him, learned the importance of duty, country, commitment and community at a young age, as his parents had many friends who were police officers and veterans.

Andy graduated from Brush High School in 1998 and joined the Marine Corps.

Andy also attended the Cleveland Heights Police Academy becoming a patrolman for Grand River in 2001. He was a dedicated member of the Ready Response Team, the Honor Guard, and the Bike Patrol, always looking to protect and serve his community.

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On February 26, 2005, he was killed by a roadside bomb on his second tour of duty in Iraq. He was serving as a gunner on a Humvee that was protecting a truck convoy south of Baghdad.

Andy bravely served his country and community, and his memory in both of these roles should be commended.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the distinguished Member from Ohio, Representative JOYCE, for his legislation to honor this American hero.

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

Mr. CLOUD. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself as much time as I may consume.

I rise in support of H.R. 3275, which would name the United States Postal Service facility located at 340 Wetmore Avenue in Grand River, Ohio, as the Lance Corporal Andy 'Ace' Nowacki Post Office.

Known as Andy or Ace to his loved ones, he graduated from Brush High School in 1998 and joined the Marine Corps Reserves shortly after.

He attended the Cleveland Heights Police Academy and became a patrolman for Grand River in 2001. As a patrolman, he was a dedicated member of the ready response team, the honor guard, and the bike patrol.

He was killed by a roadside bomb on his second tour in Iraq on February 26, 2005, as he served as a gunner on a

Humvee that was protecting a convoy south of Baghdad.

Andy was always looking to protect and serve his country and those around him. He served his country and his community bravely, and I urge my colleagues to support this legislation.

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

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CLOUD. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2½ minutes to the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. JOYCE).

Mr. JOYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I rise humbled by the opportunity before this House today to help preserve the legacy of a true American patriot and local hero in northeast Ohio, the late Lance Corporal Andrew Nowacki.

Lance Corporal Nowacki was tragically killed in action on February 26, 2005, while protecting his fellow marines during his second tour of duty in Iraq.

He was just 24 years old.

However, his dedication to protecting his community and serving his country made him a hero long before he gave the ultimate sacrifice in the name of freedom.

Andrew, known as Andy or Ace to those closest to him, graduated from Brush High School in 1998 and signed up for the Marine Corps Reserves shortly thereafter.

He later attended the Cleveland Heights Police Academy and joined the Grand River Police Department in 2001.

Always looking to protect and serve others, Andy was a dedicated member of the ready response team, the honor guard, and the bike patrol.

Andy's commitment to community, dedication to service, and desire to help others is something we should forever honor, and his sacrifice is something we should never forget.

My bill, H.R. 3275, would rename the United States Post Office in Grand River, Ohio, the Lance Corporal Andy 'Ace' Nowacki Post Office, ensuring he will forever be remembered by the community he cared so deeply for and contributed so much to.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to help preserve Andy's legacy and vote "yes" on H.R. 3275.

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

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I also urge passage of H.R. 3275, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3275.

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.

DR. C.O. SIMPKINS, SR., POST OFFICE

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 5384) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Crosby Street in Mansfield, Louisiana, as the "Dr. C.O. Simpkins, Sr., Post Office".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 5384

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

SECTION 1. DR. C.O. SIMPKINS, SR., POST OFFICE.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Crosby Street in Mansfield, Louisiana, shall be known and designated as the "Dr. C.O. Simpkins, Sr., 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 "Dr. C.O. Simpkins, Sr., Post Office".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY) and the gentleman from Texas (Mr. CLOUD) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from New York.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members 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 gentlewoman from New York?

There was no objection.

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to join my colleagues in consideration of H.R. 5384 to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Crosby Street in Mansfield, Louisiana, as the Dr. C.O. Simpkins, Sr., Post Office.

Born and raised in Mansfield, Louisiana, Dr. Simpkins attended Wiley College and Tennessee State University for his undergraduate studies before earning a degree in dentistry from Meharry Medical College.

Following his undergraduate education, he joined the U.S. Air Force, obtaining the rank of captain before being honorably discharged.

After his military service, he returned to Shreveport, Louisiana, to open a dental practice. During this time, he became very involved with the civil rights movement and was a close friend of Dr. Martin Luther King.

This drew the attention of racist organizations like the Ku Klux Klan, and his home and office were firebombed. Fearing for his safety, Dr. Simpkins moved to New York, where he continued to advocate for civil rights.

After living in New York for 26 years, Dr. Simpkins returned to Shreveport,

reopened his dental practice, and pursued a career in politics. He won a seat in the Louisiana State House of Representatives, where he served for one term before returning to his dental practice full time.

He retired from his practice in 2011. Dr. Simpkins passed away on December 4, 2019, at the age of 94. We are pleased to honor his legacy and memory by naming a post office in his honor.

Mr. Speaker, I thank Representative JOHNSON, the distinguished ranking member of the Committee on the Judiciary's Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Liberties, for this bill to honor this community and civil rights leader.

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

Mr. CLOUD. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 5384 to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Crosby Street in Mansfield, Louisiana, as the Dr. C.O. Simpkins, Sr., Post Office.

Dr. Simpkins joined the U.S. Air Force after school, attaining the rank of captain before being honorably discharged.

Following his military service, he returned to Shreveport and opened a dental practice.

He became involved in the civil rights movement, serving with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Unfortunately, his involvement drew the attention of racist organizations, such as the Ku Klux Klan, tragically resulting in his home and office being firebombed.

Fearing for his safety, Dr. Simpkins moved to New York, where he continued to be an advocate for civil rights.

After living in New York for 26 years, Dr. Simpkins returned to Shreveport, reopened his dental practice, and pursued a career in politics. He won a seat in the Louisiana State House of Representatives, where he served for one term before returning to his dental practice full time. He continued working at his dental practice until retiring in 2011.

He passed away on December 4, 2019, at the age of 94.

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

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I urge the passage of H.R. 5384, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 5384.

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.

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Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend