

But I remember how we all, at that time, looked up to him because obviously coming from a Scandinavian State, a State in which we weren't always probably very successful, either Irish or Italians, in terms of getting elected to public office in the 1940's and 1950's clearly Gene McCarthy's aspiration motivated us then and now.

But, clearly, he epitomized and set for a generation of Americans a great motivation to be involved along with others that he worked with, including the Bobby Kennedys and of course his great support from Minnesota and his fellow Senator, Senator Hubert H. Humphrey, of course, who went on to be Vice President and who of course the high profile, the great competition between these two Minnesota son's for many years.

But I am very pleased to have had the support that I have here today for this measure to recognize, actually, the work of Senator McCarthy, and especially for his leadership in his Nation and for his work in terms of expression, both in the manner in which he has conducted his life and the impact that he has left on this Congress, nation and world yesterday and most importantly today.

A few of us, when we leave these hallowed halls, this Chamber, can point to the types of achievements and the mark that he has made inside this Congress and in this country and in this world. We wish him well. He has been, as most Members know, not well these past days. But we trust that his fighting spirit will prevail.

I hope and trust my colleagues will support this measure. I look forward to its passage in the Senate as it has the sponsorship of both of our United States Senators from Minnesota, and to designate this building on Kellogg Boulevard, another good name, Kellogg, one of our Supreme Court Justices from Minnesota, Mr. Speaker, but to designate this important art deco postal building in Gene J. McCarthy's honor.

I thank my colleagues, especially the gentleman from New York (Mr. MCHUGH), for his consideration and that of the committee and the ranking member for their support in this manner.

Eugene McCarthy was a teacher in the public schools in Minnesota and a Professor at St. John's University in Collegeville, Minnesota. He was also an instructor of Economics at the College of St. Thomas in St. Paul and a distinguished author of numerous books on subjects ranging from children's literature to history and most renowned for his poetry.

The State of Minnesota is the home of many great leaders, however, few have touched as many lives as Minnesota's Eugene McCarthy. Senator McCarthy is a tireless leader and throughout his recent illness that many of us have followed, Gene's fighting spirit persists. Therefore I, as well as, the Minnesota delegation and the people of the great State of Minnesota want to honor the accomplishments and service of this historic Minnesota leader from the area of St. Paul, Minnesota that cata-

pulted him onto the national stage and into the U.S. Congress.

I would like to express my thanks to the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, as well as, the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Postal Service for their support in moving this legislation promptly in through the committees.

I urge the support of all my colleagues regarding this legislation.

Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time. And with a final thank you to the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. VENTO) for his hard work on this measure and of course the support of the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. DAVIS) and the entire minority, we would urge our colleagues to adopt this legislation and honor a very remarkable man in this country's history and one who is extraordinarily deserving of the honor contemplated in this bill, and urge its passage.

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. MCHUGH. 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 New York (Mr. MCHUGH) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2836.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 2836, the bill just passed.

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

There was no objection.

#### DANIEL J. DOFFYN POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2773) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3750 North Kedzie Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Daniel J. Doffyn Post Office Building".

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 2773

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

#### SECTION 1. DESIGNATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3750 North Kedzie Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, shall be known and designated as the "Daniel J. Doffyn Post Office Building".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the United States Post Office building referred to in

subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Daniel J. Doffyn Post Office Building".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New York (Mr. MCHUGH) and the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. DAVIS) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York (Mr. MCHUGH).

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

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 2773 was introduced by the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. BLAGOJEVICH) on October 30, 1997. The measure is cosponsored by the House delegation, the State of Illinois, pursuant to the policy of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

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The committee unanimously voted to favorably pass this measure by voice vote on February 12. As the Clerk has designated, Mr. Speaker, this bill would seek to name the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3750 North Kedzie Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, to be known as the Daniel J. Doffyn Post Office Building.

Mr. Speaker, this legislation honors a very young man of 40 years old, a Chicago police officer who was shot to death by gang members while investigating a routine burglary call. His life, his career is really one that I think exemplifies the sacrifices that police officers across this land make on our behalf each and every day; make on our behalf, rarely thinking of the consequences to their own lives, but simply wishing to be of help and of assistance to their communities.

Mr. Speaker, this is a special bill. I feel all of these pieces of legislation are, but this one particularly in that it honors a law enforcement officer and, therefore, it honors all law enforcement officers who have been killed in the line of duty. We are, indeed, irrevocably indebted to these brave men and women who try, at risk of their lives, simply to make our lives better.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to pay tribute to the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. BLAGOJEVICH) for his work on behalf of an extraordinarily brave person, and I certainly urge my colleagues to endorse this measure unanimously in support of a very, very worthy individual.

Mr. Speaker. H.R. 2773 was introduced by the gentleman from Illinois, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, on October 30, 1997. The measure is cosponsored by the House Delegation of the State of Illinois, pursuant to the policy of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight. The Committee unanimously voted to favorably pass this measure by voice vote on February 12.

H.R. 2773 designates that the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3750 North Kedzie Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, be known as the "Daniel J. Doffyn Post Office Building".

Mr. Speaker, this legislation honors Daniel J. Doffyn, a 40-year-old Chicago police officer

who was shot to death by gang members while investigating a routine burglary call. Officer Doffyn's long time dream was to be a police officer. That opportunity came just eight months before he was killed.

Mr. Speaker, this is a special bill—it honors a law enforcement officer and, therefore, it honors all law enforcement officers who have been killed in the line of duty. We are indebted to these brave men and women who try, at the risk of their lives, to bring order to disorderly situations.

An estimated 2,000 police officers traveled from neighboring states and as far away as New York to mourn Officer Doffyn's untimely death and attend his funeral in Chicago. He received the Police Medal of valor for his ultimate sacrifice. His survivors include his 8-year-old daughter, Brittany and his parents.

Mr. Speaker, I commend the gentleman from Illinois for introducing this important legislation and urge our colleagues to support the measure.

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

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, again, I am pleased to join with the gentleman from New York (Mr. MCHUGH) in support of H.R. 2773, legislation which has been introduced by the gentleman from Chicago, Illinois, (Mr. BLAGOJEVICH), which would designate the post office located at 3750 north Kedzie Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the Daniel J. Doffyn Post Office.

The gentleman from Illinois (Mr. BLAGOJEVICH), himself a champion of the promotion of public safety, is indeed to be commended for seeking to honor a slain Chicago police officer, Daniel Doffyn, who was killed in the line of duty.

Officer Doffyn, shot in 1995 while investigating a routine burglary, left behind his parents, Roger and Lea Doffyn, and his daughter, Brittany.

I also would associate myself with the remarks made by Chairman MCHUGH when he suggested that we do all of ourselves an honor when we pay tribute and give honor to those who, on a daily basis, serve and protect and give their best so that the rest of us can enjoy safe lives and safe communities.

Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. BLAGOJEVICH) who introduced this legislation.

(Mr. BLAGOJEVICH asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BLAGOJEVICH. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from New York (Mr. MCHUGH) very much for his kind remarks and his support for this effort. I also thank the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. DAVIS) for his kind remarks and his support.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to rise today to support a bill I introduced last year to designate the post office located at 3750 north Kedzie Avenue in my Congressional District in Chicago as the Daniel J. Doffyn Post Office Building.

As required under House rules, and as the gentleman from New York mentioned moments ago, this bipartisan bill has been cosponsored by all 19 members of the Illinois House Congressional Delegation.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased also that the House is taking up this measure today because this legislation is designed to honor a very special man: Chicago police officer Daniel J. Doffyn, a man who gave his life protecting and serving his neighbors and who exemplified the values of honor, heroism and community service that make us all proud.

On the afternoon of March 8, 1995, Daniel J. Doffyn, then a 40-year-old rookie police officer, and his partner, Officer Michael Bubalo, had just finished their regular shift when they answered a burglary call in the Austin Police District of the City of Chicago. In the course of investigating what appeared to be a routine call, both officers were suddenly fired upon by gun-wielding gang members, who believed that the officers were there to arrest them.

In the course of the gun battle, Officer Bubalo and Officer Daniel J. Doffyn were seriously wounded. Officer Doffyn later passed away at the hospital from wounds he received in that gunfight. He left behind an 8-year-old daughter, Brittany, and two loving parents, Roger and Lea Doffyn. He received the police Medal of Valor for his ultimate sacrifice.

Daniel Doffyn was a model of what a public servant ought to be. He worked hard his entire life, but never really found a job he liked completely until he became a Chicago police officer. Serving and protecting the citizens of Chicago was a job that Officer Doffyn performed with distinction. He was known by people who knew him as a wonderful father, a caring man, and as fine a person as anyone could hope to know.

While I realize it is not common for Congress to designate a post office for a slain law enforcement officer, I hope that my colleagues will agree that in this case it is an appropriate honor and a fitting testament to the bravery and heroism of Officer Doffyn and to the thousands of brave men and women who work every single day in law enforcement to keep our families and our communities safe.

Mr. Speaker, I would like again to express my sincere appreciation to the gentleman from New York (Mr. MCHUGH), to the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. DAVIS) to the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. FATTAH) and also to the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. BURTON), chairman of the full committee, for bringing H.R. 2773 to the floor, and I urge my colleagues to support this very worthy tribute.

Mr. Speaker, having no further speakers, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, as I indicated, I do not have any further re-

quests for time. I would again extend my appreciation to the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. BLAGOJEVICH) for his hard work on behalf of this very, very worthy tribute to a gentleman who represents the very best of what is good in America today, and I urge its unanimous passage.

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 New York (Mr. MCHUGH) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2773.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on the bill just passed, H.R. 2773.

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

There was no objection.

#### LARRY DOBY POST OFFICE

Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill (S. 985) to designate the post office located at 194 Ward Street in Paterson, New Jersey, as the "Larry Doby Post Office".

The Clerk read as follows:

S. 985

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

#### SECTION 1. FINDINGS.

Congress finds the following:

(1) Larry Eugene Doby was born in Camden, South Carolina, on December 12, 1923, and moved to Paterson, New Jersey, in 1938.

(2) After playing the 1946 season in the Negro League for the Newark Eagles, Larry Doby's contract was purchased by the Cleveland Indians of the American League on July 3, 1947.

(3) On July 5, 1947, Larry Doby became the first African-American to play in the American League.

(4) Larry Doby played in the American League for 13 years, appearing in 1,533 games and batting .283, with 253 home runs and 969 runs batted in.

(5) Larry Doby was voted to 7 all-star teams, led the American League in home runs twice, and played in 2 World Series. He was the first African-American to play in the World Series and to hit a home run in a World Series game, both in 1948.

(6) After his stellar playing career ended, Larry Doby continued to make a significant contribution to his community. He has been a pioneer in the cause of civil rights and has received honorary doctorate degrees from Long Island University, Princeton University, and Fairfield University.

#### SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF LARRY DOBY POST OFFICE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The post office located at 194 Ward Street in Paterson, New Jersey,