

the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. TOM DAVIS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 6102, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds of those present have voted in the affirmative.

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

CURT GOWDY POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 5224) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 350 Uinta Drive in Green River, Wyoming, as the "Curt Gowdy Post Office Building".

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 5224

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

SECTION 1. CURT GOWDY POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 350 Uinta Drive in Green River, Wyoming, shall be known and designated as the "Curt Gowdy 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 "Curt Gowdy Post Office Building".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. TOM DAVIS) and the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. VAN HOLLEN) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Virginia.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the bill under consideration.

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

There was no objection.

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

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 5224 would designate the Post Office building in Green River, Wyoming, as the Curt Gowdy Post Office Building. Nicknamed "The Cowboy," sports fans across the country in the 1960s and 1970s turned to hear Gowdy's commentary on baseball, football, and college basketball games. He was the number one announcer at NBC Sports during the pre-cable television era; and

he was known for his objective, laid-back style. In fact, one of his most career-defining moments came almost 46 years ago today, when he called the Ted Williams' final at-bat in the major leagues.

I urge all Members to join me in honoring the life and contributions of Curt Gowdy by supporting the passage of H.R. 5224.

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

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

I urge my colleagues to support this resolution. It is appropriate we recognize Curt Gowdy in this way. We know he was the voice of the Red Sox, as well as the announcer on many other sports events.

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Mr. Speaker, I urge adoption of this bill.

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

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Florida (Mr. FOLEY).

Mr. FOLEY. Mr. Speaker, let me join in the moment of remembrance of Curt Gowdy. I had a chance at Christmastime to spend the evening with Curt and his family in Palm Beach. I have known the Gowdy family for many, many years. As some know, he was the voice of the Red Sox. My godfather, Jimmy Piersall, played for the Red Sox back in the fifties.

When the Red Sox won the World Series, I asked the White House if I could bring a few guests, one being Jimmy Piersall, the other Dom DiMaggio, both constituents from Florida, and, of course, Curt Gowdy. Curt's wife, Jerre, called me the day of the White House celebration and said Curt wasn't doing well, but he would have loved to join in the honor of greeting the Red Sox at the White House.

From a personal aside, I had many, many years to interact with Curt Gowdy. He was a phenomenal man, a humble, humble, wonderful, generous man. The Boy Scouts of America, I could name numerous charities where Mr. Gowdy went out of his way not only to lend his beautiful voice, but his integrity and his name, which was known universally.

It is just an incredible honor that you all have chosen his wonderful State of Wyoming, which was something we discussed on one of his last nights on Earth. We discussed Wyoming, fly fishing and games gone by and his struggles at that time with leukemia. His doctor happened to be there that night.

Curt never lost his enthusiasm or zest for life. Even in the days before he was to pass this godly Earth, he never lost his love of this country, his love of our Nation, his love of the pastime of baseball, and to the very end, love and devotion to his family. I salute Mr.

Gowdy and appreciate the recognition he is being provided today.

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

Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Florida for his eloquent remarks. Curt Gowdy will always be a part of my sports memories as a youth. I think this is a fitting tribute, and I urge my colleagues to adopt it.

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 Virginia (Mr. TOM DAVIS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 5224.

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.

CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE PROFESSIONAL GOLFERS' ASSOCIATION

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 471) congratulating the Professional Golfers' Association of America on its 90th anniversary and commending the members of the Professional Golfers' Association of America and the PGA Foundation for the charitable contributions they provide to the United States.

The Clerk read as follows:

H. CON. RES. 471

Whereas The Professional Golfers' Association of America (The PGA of America) was founded in 1916 by a group of amateur and professional golfers in New York City, led by department store magnate Rodman Wanamaker, with a mission to promote interest in the game of golf, elevate standards of the golf professional's vocation, hold meetings and tournaments for the benefit of members, assist deserving unemployed members to obtain positions, and establish a benevolent relief fund for deserving members;

Whereas during World War I The PGA of America began its tradition of serving the military by purchasing and maintaining an ambulance throughout the war for the American Red Cross and encouraging employers of members to hold open positions for its members serving in the United States Armed Forces;

Whereas The PGA of America has continued its tradition of serving the military by partnering with the National Amputee Golf Association to offer golf programs for wounded military service members that include free golf instruction, free use of golf equipment, and free golf;

Whereas in 1954 The PGA of America created a charitable foundation, The PGA Foundation, as a public philanthropic foundation to provide resources and professional expertise to make golf accessible in the community by offering free golf programs for youth, the disabled, and the underserved;

Whereas The PGA of America and its PGA Foundation offer such programs as Play Golf America Days for youths involving free instruction, skills competition, and equipment demonstration; golf programs for inner city youths in Louisville, Kentucky, and Detroit,