

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with section 114(c) of division A of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2024 and Other Extensions Act (H.R. 5860; the “Act”), I hereby designate as emergency requirements all funding (including the transfer and repurposing of funds) so designated by the Congress in the Act pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as outlined in the enclosed list of accounts.

The details of this action are set forth in the enclosed memorandum from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, Jr.
THE WHITE HOUSE, September 30, 2023.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 10 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. GIMENEZ) at 4 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following enrolled bill was signed by the Speaker on Saturday, September 30, 2023:

H.R. 5860, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2024, and for other purposes.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or votes objected to under clause 6 of rule XX.

The House will resume proceedings on postponed questions at a later time.

WILLIAM L. REYNOLDS POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. COMER. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 292) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 24355 Creekside Road in Santa Clarita, California, as the “William L. Reynolds Post Office Building”.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 292

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

SECTION 1. WILLIAM L. REYNOLDS POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 24355 Creekside Road in Santa Clarita, California, shall be known and designated as the “William L. Reynolds 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 “William L. Reynolds Office Building”.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. COMER) and the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. RASKIN) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Kentucky.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. COMER. 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 gentleman from Kentucky?

There was no objection.

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

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of this bill which would name a post office in Santa Clarita, California, after William “Bill” Reynolds.

William served in the Vietnam war and earned both the Purple Heart and Bronze Star. After serving, he moved with his wife, Meg, to the Santa Clarita Valley, where Reynolds dedicated his life to advocating for his fellow veterans.

Reynolds passed away in 2021 after organizing the memorial wall at Veterans Plaza in Newhall and accompanying the U.S. President to Da Nang in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam war.

Mr. Speaker, I support naming a post office in Bill Reynolds’ memory. I am proud to honor his life of service to the American people and work to memorialize the memory of America’s veterans.

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

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

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 292, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 24355 Creekside Road in Santa Clarita, California, as the William L. Reynolds Post Office Building.

William Reynolds, better known as Bill, was brought up in the San Fernando Valley. He was the son of a World War I veteran.

Following high school graduation and just before his 20th birthday, he followed in his father’s footsteps and enlisted in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam war. He served in the 9th Infantry Division and is recalled as one of the few surviving servicemembers of the Charlie Company’s “Boys of ‘67.”

For his heroic service, Mr. Reynolds earned a Bronze Star and a Purple Heart.

After receiving an honorable discharge, Mr. Reynolds moved to the Santa Clarita Valley in California with his wife, Meg. He spent the remaining years of his adult life as an influential supporter of veterans.

In addition to his military accolades, he is remembered for single-handedly organizing a local effort to construct a memorial wall at the Veterans Plaza to honor Santa Clarita Valley veterans from World War I to the present day.

He also traveled to Da Nang, Vietnam, with a veteran delegation led by a former President to honor the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam war. As a passionate advocate for Santa Clarita Valley’s local veteran community, he became a high-profile historian as director of veterans affairs for two Santa Clarita-based news journals, publishing more than 100 different biographies of local veterans in his community.

On January 11, 2021, Mr. Reynolds passed away. I encourage my colleagues to join me in honoring the distinguished life of Mr. Reynolds by naming a post office in Santa Clarita, California, after him.

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

Mr. COMER. Mr. Speaker, I yield 4 minutes to the gentleman from California (Mr. MIKE GARCIA).

Mr. MIKE GARCIA of California. Mr. Speaker, I thank Chairman COMER and Ranking Member RASKIN for their support on this very special bill for a real, true American hero.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 292, to name the post office in Valencia, California, after a true American patriot, Mr. Bill Reynolds.

This is a fitting tribute for someone who gave so much over the course of his life to this beautiful Nation. While his military service and heroism in the jungles of Vietnam with the famous Charlie Company warrant this honor alone, it was his tireless commitment to recognizing his fellow brothers and sisters in arms that cemented him as a lion in the veterans’ community.

A lifelong resident of Southern California, Bill was drafted for service shortly after graduating from high school and went on to join the Army’s Charlie Company, 9th Division, 4th Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment. The “Boys of ‘67” is what they were known as.

Bill was a part of the only division to be raised, drafted, and trained for service in the Vietnam war. Despite being wounded in action in June of 1967, he continued fighting alongside his friends, defending his friends in the Mekong Delta, and was ultimately awarded the Purple Heart and Bronze Star for his bravery.

After his service, he embraced his proud identity of being a U.S. veteran and took every opportunity to advocate and support his brothers and sisters who served. He was one of the very

first ambassadors for the Greatest Generations Foundation, he served as a member of the local American Legion Post, and he was a member of the Santa Clarita Veterans' Day Committee.

During the last decade of his life, Bill cemented his legacy as the most passionate and high-profile veterans advocate in the Santa Clarita Valley. He was single-handedly responsible for the installment of a memorial wall at the Veterans Plaza in Newhall, California. He accompanied the President and fellow veterans to Da Nang to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam war. He also worked as the director of veterans affairs for the two largest news publications in Santa Clarita.

As director of veterans affairs for both the Santa Clarita Signal and KHTS Radio, Bill Reynolds served as the historian for local veterans, writing more than 100 profiles in courage of hometown heroes; something that they could share with their families and relive their legacies.

Bill was also a devoted husband to the love of his life, Meg, and was a loving father and grandfather to his children and grandchildren.

Make no mistake, Mr. Speaker, our Nation is simply better because of Bill Reynolds. He embodied the very values that America was founded on and continues to hold to this day: love of country, grit, and service above all else.

Patriots like Bill Reynolds make the United States the greatest country in history. A small tribute like naming a post office after him is the least we can do. The debt of gratitude Americans owe to Bill Reynolds can never fully be paid.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me and pass this very special bill to honor a true American hero.

Mr. RASKIN. Mr. Speaker, I have no further speakers. I urge passage of H.R. 292, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. COMER. Mr. Speaker, as the son of a veteran who served in Vietnam during the Vietnam war, I urge my colleagues to support this bipartisan bill, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. COMER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 292.

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. RUDY LOMBARD POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. COMER. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 996) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3901 MacArthur Blvd., in New Orleans, Louisiana, as the "Dr. Rudy Lombard Post Office".

The Clerk read the title of the bill. The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 996

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

SECTION 1. DR. RUDY LOMBARD POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3901 MacArthur Blvd., in New Orleans, Louisiana, shall be known and designated as the "Dr. Rudy Lombard 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 "Dr. Rudy Lombard Post Office Building".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. COMER) and the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. RASKIN) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Kentucky.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. COMER. 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 gentleman from Kentucky?

There was no objection.

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

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of this bill, which names a New Orleans post office for Dr. Rudolph Joseph Lombard.

Dr. Lombard was born and raised in New Orleans and grew up witnessing discrimination in New Orleans which inspired him to become a leading activist.

As a college student of Xavier University, he organized a sit-in in 1960 at McCrory's Five and Dime store to protest Jim Crow laws.

Dr. Lombard's activism led to the landmark Supreme Court case, *Lombard v. Louisiana*, which overturned related charges and set a critical precedent for striking down segregation laws.

Dr. Lombard was dedicated to justice and equality. However, he is a lesser-known leader in the civil rights movement due to his humility.

Today the U.S. House publicly recognizes his contributions.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to support this bipartisan legislation, and I reserve the balance of my time.

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

Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of H.R. 996, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3901 MacArthur Boulevard in New Orleans, Louisiana, as the Dr. Rudy Lombard Post Office.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. CARTER), my distinguished colleague.

Mr. CARTER of Louisiana. Mr. Speaker, I thank the chairman for the opportunity to speak.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a true American hero, a Louisiana legend, Dr. Rudy Lombard.

My bill, H.R. 996, would designate the post office located at 3901 MacArthur Boulevard in New Orleans, Louisiana, in the heart of Algiers, where the Lombard and Carter families grew up for multiple generations, as the Dr. Rudy Lombard Post Office.

This is a testament to the unforgettable legacy Dr. Lombard left on our city and our Nation. Born in my hometown of Algiers in 1939, Rudy Lombard was known for his determination to make a difference.

As a young college student at Xavier University, Dr. Lombard was a pillar of strength during the height of segregation. His leadership was evident when he fearlessly commanded the CORE Four in a sit-in at McCrory's Five and Dime, challenging the unjust shackles of Jim Crow laws.

Their journey to the Supreme Court in 1963 in the landmark *Lombard v. Louisiana* case was not just a legal triumph but a pivotal movement in the fight against segregation, setting precedents that broke down discriminatory practices.

Dr. Lombard's commitment to equality extended far beyond those early years. Decade after decade, he stood in the forefront addressing inequities in civil rights, challenging economic and cultural empowerment, and tirelessly advocating for public health.

His life was a testament to the power of one individual to spark change and to build coalitions to stand against injustices.

Today, we are not just bestowing an honor on a distinguished individual, we are cementing a legacy, recognizing a man whose life exemplified leadership by example.

Dr. Lombard was not only a standard-bearer, but he was also a force for positive change, a catalyst for movements that brought people together.

In leading this bipartisan initiative, I am honored to stand beside the entire Louisiana Congressional Delegation who recognize the importance of preserving Dr. Lombard's memory.

I personally thank my colleagues for standing with me. I pray this serves as a reminder to future generations that the struggle for justice is, in fact, real and the impact for one's personal commitment can resonate across the ages. Yes, one person can make a difference. Dr. Rudy Lombard certainly has done just that for generations and generations to come, with his courage, his leadership, and his commitment.

This honor today is a small token to recognize and pay homage to his great leadership.

Mr. Speaker, may we all strive to emulate the spirit of Dr. Rudy Lombard in our service to the American people. I urge a favorable passage.

Mr. RASKIN. Mr. Speaker, I thank the distinguished gentleman from New Orleans for his eloquent words about Dr. Lombard. May I add, not only was