

PAMELA JANE ROCK POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. DONALDS. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3947) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 859 North State Road 21 in Melrose, Florida, as the “Pamela Jane Rock Post Office Building”.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 3947

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

SECTION 1. PAMELA JANE ROCK POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 859 North State Road 21 in Melrose, Florida, shall be known and designated as the “Pamela Jane Rock 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 “Pamela Jane Rock Post Office Building”.

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

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Florida.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. DONALDS. Madam 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 Florida?

There was no objection.

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

Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of this bill which names a Melrose, Florida, post office for Pamela Jane Rock.

Pamela Jane, a native Floridian, attended the University of Florida where she studied nutrition and dietetics and was a proud member of the Gator Marching Band.

Pam remained a Florida Gator fan for the rest of her life and loved going to Florida football games with her family.

In January of 2022, Pam became a letter carrier for the United States Postal Service in Gainesville, Florida. In August of 2022, Pam was attacked by dogs while delivering mail. She later died because of injuries she sustained in the attack.

Madam Speaker, I encourage my colleagues to support this bill honoring a dedicated postal employee whose life was tragically cut short while serving our Nation, and I reserve the balance of my time.

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

I rise in support of H.R. 3947, a bill designating the facility of the U.S.

Postal Service located at 859 North State Road 21 in Melrose, Florida, as the Pamela Jane Rock Post Office Building.

After graduating from the University of Florida, Pam started a long career with the WIC program and dietary education.

She worked with women and families from across the United States—from Florida, Yellowstone, North Carolina, to Georgia—and even with the Peace Corps in Guatemala to advance critical nutritional goals for infants and children.

Following her long-term service with the WIC program, she transitioned into a new role of public service with the U.S. Postal Service in January 2022 as a letter carrier.

On August 22, 2022, she was unexpectedly and severely injured while delivering the mail and sadly passed away in Florida as a consequence of her injuries.

I encourage my colleagues to join me in honoring the life and the hard work of Ms. Rock by naming a post office in Melrose after her.

Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. DONALDS. Madam Speaker, I yield 5 minutes to the gentleman from Florida (Mr. BEAN).

Mr. BEAN of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of my bill, H.R. 3947, to designate the post office in Melrose, Florida, in memory of my constituent, Pamela Jane Rock.

I thank my co-lead introducer of the bill, Representative CAMMACK, as well as the entire Florida delegation for their support in cosponsoring this bill.

Pamela Jane Rock was born on August 6, 1961, to John and Jane Rock of Plantation, Florida. She was the 14th and youngest child of an amazing family.

Growing up, she attended St. Gregory Catholic School in Plantation and St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

After high school, she attended the University of Florida and graduated in 1984 with a bachelor of science in nutrition and dietetics.

During her time at UF, she was a proud member of the University of Florida Fighting Gator Marching Band for 4 years.

She was one of a kind in all that she did. After college, she worked for the State of Florida WIC program in Alachua County.

Her passion for service continued when she spent 3 years with the Peace Corps in Guatemala, educating women on proper nutrition for families.

Upon her return to the U.S., she ventured out West to Yellowstone and spent time on an Indian reservation, also educating women on infants' nutritional needs.

Pam then returned to Gainesville, Florida, in January 2022 where she joined the U.S. Postal Service and pursued a career as a letter carrier.

With a desire to give back, she is remembered for placing an apple along

with the mail for the residents along her route.

This is the smile you saw. If she was delivering mail on your route, you saw this. We will turn this and let everybody see it, as well. This is the smile of Pam, and she literally lit up her route with that smile.

She was a devoted Gator fan, and like many of her siblings, going to a Gator football game was a big deal, and she did it whenever she could.

She gardened and loved having relationships with new people, especially in her church group. She loved animals. It comes as no surprise she was a volunteer at St. Francis Pet Care in Gainesville.

Tragically, Madam Speaker, Pam was attacked by dogs during her mail route in Interlachen, Florida, and succumbed to her injuries on August 22, 2022. It is still a sad day.

Pamela's friends and family described her as sweet, supportive, always there to cheer you up, and someone with a true servant's heart.

She is survived by 11 of her siblings and countless nieces and nephews whom she adored. Several are in the gallery today for this big occasion as we take a step, hopefully, Madam Speaker, to honor her service.

I thank them for being here today, and I can think of no better way to honor Pam's service to the United States Postal Service than by designating the Melrose, Florida, post office as the Pamela Jane Rock Post Office.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support the bill.

Mr. RASKIN. Madam Speaker, I have no further speakers, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. DONALDS. Madam Speaker, 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 Florida (Mr. DONALDS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3947.

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.

CAROLINE CHANG POST OFFICE

Mr. DONALDS. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3728) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 25 Dorchester Avenue, Room 1, in Boston, Massachusetts, as the “Caroline Chang Post Office”.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 3728

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

SECTION 1. CAROLINE CHANG POST OFFICE.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 25

Dorchester Avenue, Room 1, in Boston, Massachusetts, shall be known and designated as the "Caroline Chang 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 "Caroline Chang Post Office".

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

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Florida.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. DONALDS. Madam 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 Florida?

There was no objection.

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

Madam Speaker, I rise in support of this bill, which would name a Boston, Massachusetts, post office for Caroline Chang.

Caroline was born and raised in Boston's Chinatown and started her career serving as an interpreter for community members seeking medical care.

In 1970, Caroline Chang was appointed by the mayor of Boston as the manager of Chinatown's Little City Hall, where she continued her work advocating for the community.

She went on to achieve a law degree from Suffolk Law School and to work for the United States Department of Health and Human Services for more than 30 years.

Caroline Chang also helped establish the South Cove Community Health Center, the Chinese Historical Society of New England, and the Asian American Civic Association.

I encourage my colleagues to support this legislation honoring this dedicated civil servant, and I reserve the balance of my time.

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

I rise in strong support of H.R. 3728 to designate the facility of the U.S. Postal Service located at 25 Dorchester Avenue, Room 1, in Boston, Massachusetts, as the Caroline Chang Post Office.

This legislation, introduced by my distinguished colleague, Representative PRESSLEY, recognizes the contributions of Caroline Chang, who was born and raised in Boston's Chinatown.

I didn't know her, but I have learned from my colleague that she was a trailblazer, a passionate advocate for her community, and a very devoted public servant.

Madam Speaker, I yield such time as she may consume to the gentlewoman from Massachusetts (Ms. PRESSLEY).

Ms. PRESSLEY. Madam Speaker, I thank Chair COMER and Representative

RASKIN for advancing this legislation. I also thank my Massachusetts colleagues and our delegation for the unanimous support of this effort.

I rise today to recognize Caroline Chang, a community builder and trailblazer who was a tireless advocate for the Massachusetts Seventh.

Caroline remains one of the greatest public servants that Boston and our Commonwealth has ever seen. She dedicated her life to serving the local Chinatown community and effecting lasting and positive change.

At a young age, Caroline lost her father and began serving as a translator for her mother, while also looking after her two younger brothers and sister.

Her willingness to care for her family extended to all of Boston's Chinatown where community members would often rely on Caroline's assistance when seeking medical care.

At the time, culturally congruent care was not an option for most Asian Americans in Boston. Whenever a neighbor needed to visit the doctor, Caroline would be at their side as a translator, as an advocate, and as a friend.

Her early sense of purpose and community manifested into a love of organizing and movement building that remained with her as she went on to fight in all levels of government against discrimination faced by Asian Americans.

From managing Chinatown's Little City Hall to her history-making tenure in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, she always made sure her home community had a seat at the table.

The Massachusetts Seventh, which I am proud to represent, is a vibrant and diverse district, and I am especially proud to represent this district as a member of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus. It is home to nearly 100,000 Asian American and Pacific Islanders.

In a testament to her ability to bring people together, Caroline routinely gathered Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Vietnamese, Laotian, Cambodian, and other nationalities from the Boston area for dinners and events under the theme of Asian American unity.

She bridged gaps within and across marginalized groups, working in solidarity to form several community-based organizations that continue to serve Chinatown and greater Boston today—the Asian Community Development Corporation, the Asian American Civic Association, and the Greater Boston Chinese Golden Age Center, to name only a few.

Inspired in part by her early work as a translator, Caroline also helped found the South Cove Community Health Center, the first community health center to provide culturally congruent care to Asian Americans in the city of Boston. Today, it is the largest Asian primary care provider in the entire Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

My bill, H.R. 3728, would designate the post office at 25 Dorchester Ave-

nue, which is walking distance from South Cove, as the Caroline Chang Post Office.

In the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, there are currently 617 postal facilities. Of those renamed, only one has been named for a woman and only five for people of color. To date, not one has been named for an AAPI individual.

Dating back to my time on the Boston City Council, I have underscored the need for us to have institutional representation in our public spaces because who we honor matters.

At a time when the contributions of Black, Brown, AAPI, and other marginalized communities are facing increased threats and erasure, recognizing their contributions by securing their representation is a small but a meaningful step forward.

Caroline often said: There is always more work to do, and I wholeheartedly agree. Today, with this legislation, we recognize the work that she has done and honor her legacy, a legacy that will endure for generations to come.

I urge my colleagues to support this bill. I take this moment to also thank a dedicated member of my A team, Bayley Connors, on my legislative staff, who worked tirelessly to bring this to fruition today.

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Mr. DONALDS. Madam Speaker, I have no further speakers, I am prepared to close, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. RASKIN. Madam Speaker, I have no further speakers, and I am prepared to close, as well.

I encourage my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Ms. Chang by naming the post office in Boston, Massachusetts after her, and we will all be proud to see it happen, pursuant to the remarks of Ms. PRESSLEY.

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

Mr. DONALDS. Madam Speaker, 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 Florida (Mr. DONALDS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3728.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. DONALDS. Madam Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

DOSAN AHN CHANG HO POST OFFICE

Mr. DONALDS. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 599) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3500 West 6th Street, Suite 103 in Los Angeles, California, as the "Dosan Ahn Chang Ho Post Office", as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 599

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

SECTION 1. DOSAN AHN CHANG HO POST OFFICE REDESIGNATION.

(a) REDESIGNATION.—Section 1 of Public Law 108-239 is amended by striking "3751 West 6th Street in Los Angeles, California" and inserting "3500 West 6th Street, Suite 103 in Los Angeles, California".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the facility referred to in section 1 of Public Law 108-239 as amended by subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Dosan Ahn Chang Ho Post Office".

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

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Florida.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. DONALDS. Madam 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 Florida?

There was no objection.

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

Madam Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 599.

In 2004, Congress unanimously voted to designate a post office in Los Angeles as the Dosan Ahn Chang Ho Post Office.

Ahn Chang Ho and his wife immigrated to the United States as the first married couple from Korea, founding early Korean-American community groups and becoming a pivotal leader in the Korean-American community.

In 2022, the lease on the post office named for Ahn Chang Ho expired, and the Postal Service moved the post office to a new location.

This bill updates the current law passed in 2004 by transferring the Dosan Ahn Chang Ho name to the new post office building.

Madam Speaker, I encourage my colleagues to support this bill honoring this historical figure, and I reserve the balance of my time.

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

I rise in strong support of H.R. 599 to designate the facility of the U.S. Post-

al Service located at 3500 West 6th Street, Suite 103 in Los Angeles, California, as the Dosan Ahn Chang Ho Post Office.

This legislation introduced by my colleague, the distinguished Representative JIMMY GOMEZ of California, would designate a post office after the Korean-American leader, Dosan Ahn Chang Ho. A Korean independence activist who immigrated to the United States, he became an early leader in the Korean-American immigrant community. He opposed the Japanese occupation of Korea and later served as a founding member of the Korean Provisional Government.

Madam Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the distinguished gentleman from California (Mr. GOMEZ).

Mr. GOMEZ. Madam Speaker, I thank the ranking member for yielding, and I thank both the chairman and the ranking member for their support in finding a path to get this bill to the floor.

I am honored to represent L.A.'s Koreatown, home of the largest Korean-American community in any congressional district in our country.

This legislation not only honors one of the first Korean-American immigrants in the United States and a key figure in the Korean independence movement, Dosan Ahn Chang Ho, it celebrates every Korean American who makes our country what it is today.

Ahn Chang Ho, also known by his pen name, Dosan, was a pivotal early leader in the Korean-American community, immigrating to the United States with his wife as the first married couple from Korea to do so; founding early Korean-American community groups; and laying the groundwork for the last 121 years of Korean-American contributions.

Dosan was also a celebrated Korean independence activist, who helped author the South Korean national anthem, advocated for social reform, served as a leader of the provisional government, and played a key role in the opposition of the Japanese occupation of Korea.

He was the father of trailblazing Korean-American actors: Philip Ahn, Philson Ahn, and Ralph Ahn; and his daughter, Susan Ahn Cuddy, was the first Asian-American woman to join the U.S. Navy, and she was an important leader in the post-World War II national security community.

Dosan was a pioneer in American history, and his story deserves to be told.

The post office in the heart of Koreatown where he rose to become one of first leaders of the Korean-American community and where he founded the first Korean organization in the continental United States will ensure this important piece of history is shared with generations to come.

The Korean-American story is the American story, and we must ensure this community receives the recognition and support they deserve.

I am proud this measure to name our post office after Dosan Ahn Chang Ho is on the floor of the House today, and I look forward to the day when this redesignation is officially signed into law by the President.

Mr. DONALDS. Madam Speaker, I have no further speakers, I am prepared to close, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. RASKIN. Madam Speaker, in closing, I would encourage all of my colleagues to join us in honoring the life of Mr. Ho by naming a post office in Los Angeles after him.

Madam Speaker, I urge passage of H.R. 599, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. DONALDS. Madam Speaker, 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 Florida (Mr. DONALDS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 599, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. DONALDS. Madam Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

DR. MARGARET B. HILL POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. DONALDS. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1060) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1663 East Date Place in San Bernardino, California, as the "Dr. Margaret B. Hill Post Office Building".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 1060

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

SECTION 1. DR. MARGARET B. HILL POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1663 East Date Place in San Bernardino, California, shall be known and designated as the "Dr. Margaret B. Hill 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. Margaret B. Hill Post Office Building".

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

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Florida.