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The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Kentucky.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. COMER. 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 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 rename a post office in Fredericksburg, Virginia, for Gladys P. Todd.

Gladys Todd was a revered schoolteacher and community organizer who was active in Fredericksburg's civil rights movement. She was known for her work as a voting rights advocate and contributed to Fredericksburg electing its first Black mayor.

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

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 7508.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentlewoman from Virginia (Ms. SPANBERGER) for any remarks she may have.

Ms. SPANBERGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize an extraordinary Virginian, Gladys P. Todd, whose legacy of service, advocacy, and dedication to advancing civil rights has left an indelible mark on the city of Fredericksburg, Virginia, and beyond.

I am proud to lead legislation to rename a post office in Fredericksburg to the Gladys P. Todd Post Office in recognition of her pioneering work and her relentless advocacy.

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Mrs. Todd was a force for justice and a force for good. She was an organizer, an educator, and a lifelong member of the NAACP. She fought for equality and opportunity, and she was active in the local civil rights movement across Fredericksburg and the greater Commonwealth. She was known for her tireless work with the NAACP Youth Division, where she helped Black children and teens learn, grow, and thrive.

From establishing a playground to founding the Youth Canteen, a community center for young local students, she worked to make sure that young people across Fredericksburg had a safe place to connect, learn, and grow.

Mrs. Todd was also a passionate voting rights advocate. Her work played a pivotal role in the election of Fredericksburg's first Black mayor. She made Fredericksburg a more inclusive and equitable place, and her work continues to inspire the community today.

Renaming this post office in her honor is a small but meaningful way to guarantee that her contributions are remembered for generations and that her work is present far into the future.

Mr. Speaker, I thank my colleagues from Virginia for their unanimous support of this legislation. As we are looking to honor this incredible woman, I urge my colleagues to vote "yes."

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Mr. Speaker, I urge the passage of H.R. 7508, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. COMER. Mr. Speaker, I encourage my House colleagues to support this bill honoring an influential advocate, Gladys P. Todd, 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. 7508.

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.

CHIEF MICHAEL MALONEY POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. COMER. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 8868) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 609 Portsmouth Avenue in Greenland, New Hampshire, as the "Chief Michael Maloney Post Office Building".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 8868

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

SECTION 1. CHIEF MICHAEL MALONEY POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 609 Portsmouth Avenue in Greenland, New Hampshire, shall be known and designated as the "Chief Michael Maloney 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 "Chief Michael Maloney Post Office Building".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. COMER) and the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Kentucky.

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Mr. COMER. 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 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 rename a post office located in Greenland, New Hampshire, to honor Chief Michael Maloney.

After high school, Michael joined the Army Reserve and later became the chief of the Greenland Police Department in 2000. Michael was tragically killed in the line of duty on April 12, 2012, only 8 days out from his retirement.

Mr. Speaker, I support naming a post office in honor of Chief Michael Maloney. I encourage my colleagues to support this bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 8868.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from New Hampshire (Mr. PAPPAS) for any remarks he may have.

Mr. PAPPAS. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentlewoman for yielding, and I thank the chair and ranking member for bringing my bill to the floor.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of this legislation to designate the United States Postal Service facility located at 609 Portsmouth Avenue in Greenland, New Hampshire, as the Chief Michael Maloney Post Office Building.

Chief Maloney was a dedicated public servant, community leader, and law enforcement professional who served his country in the Army Reserves and served his State as a police officer, rising to the rank of chief of the Greenland Police Department in the year 2000.

Tragically, on April 12, 2012, Chief Maloney was killed in the line of duty, just 8 days before his retirement, while participating in a drug raid operation with the New Hampshire Attorney General's Drug Task Force. He was just 48 years old.

Michael Maloney grew up in North Hampton, New Hampshire. After graduation, he enlisted in the Army Reserves, graduated from the New Hampshire Police Academy, and began a 26-year career in law enforcement.

Chief Maloney is remembered as someone who was bigger than life, who was always quick to crack a joke, and who always had a smile on his face, even on the worst of days.

He is remembered as someone who cared deeply about his community and worked with purpose and passion each and every day to make it safer and stronger.

When thinking about the impact he left on those he knew and worked with, one story, shared on the 10-year anniversary of his death, underscores his leadership and dedication carried by all those in law enforcement. After a long day that stretched late into the morning, responding to the death of their leader, mentor, and friend, the remaining members of the Greenland Police Department were told to stay home the

next day. It is a credit to their commitment and resolve that by 8 a.m., they all returned to work.

Twelve years have passed since the death of Chief Maloney, but his legacy lives on. It is a small token of our thanks and appreciation that we can name this post office in Chief Michael Maloney's honor to remind future generations of that legacy, his tremendous service, and the sacrifice he gave on behalf of the community that he loved.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this legislation.

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Mr. Speaker, I urge the passage of H.R. 8868, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. COMER. Mr. Speaker, I urge my House colleagues to support this bill honoring Chief Michael Maloney, 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. 8868.

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.

CAPTAIN ROBERT E. "BOB" BATTERSON POST OFFICE

Mr. COMER. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 10065) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 802 North Tancahua Street in Corpus Christi, Texas, as the "Captain Robert E. 'Bob' Batterson Post Office".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 10065

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

SECTION 1. CAPTAIN ROBERT E. "BOB" BATTERSON POST OFFICE.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 802 North Tancahua Street in Corpus Christi, Texas, shall be known and designated as the "Captain Robert E. 'Bob' Batterson 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 "Captain Robert E. 'Bob' Batterson Post Office".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. COMER) and the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ) each will control 20 minutes.

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Mr. COMER. 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 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 rename a post office located in Texas to honor Captain Robert E. Batterson.

Captain Batterson served in the U.S. Navy for 35 years and was stationed at Pearl Harbor during the 1941 attack.

In retirement, he spent 26 years as a volunteer at the Pearl Harbor exhibit in the USS Lexington Museum in Corpus Christi.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support the naming of a post office in honor of Captain Batterson, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, Captain Robert Batterson, better known as Bob, served for more than three decades in the U.S. Navy. While stationed at Pearl Harbor, Captain Batterson witnessed a surprise attack on the U.S. naval base on December 7, 1941. This military strike on Pearl Harbor, as then-President Franklin Delano Roosevelt stated to the Nation, is "a day which will live in infamy."

In the years following, Captain Batterson served at the naval air station in Corpus Christi, Texas, and later in the Supply Corps.

After retiring from the U.S. Navy, Captain Batterson continued volunteer work to educate the public about Pearl Harbor. This legislation will honor the service and legacy of Captain Batterson.

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

Mr. COMER. Mr. Speaker, I yield 4 minutes to the gentleman from Texas (Mr. CLOUD).

Mr. CLOUD. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 10065 to name a post office in Corpus Christi in memory of Captain Robert "Bob" Batterson.

Captain Batterson's life is a life of service and a testament to the very best of American character.

In 1939, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy, setting sail on his life's journey of dedicated and devoted service to our Nation.

In 1941, he was stationed at Pearl Harbor and survived the attack that thrust America into World War II. That same resilience carried him to Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, where he earned his wings in 1944 and flew F6F Hellcats in defense of our Nation.

Captain Batterson's service continued long after World War II as he transitioned to the Navy Supply Corps, serving faithfully until his retirement in 1974.

Over the course of his 35-year military career, he exemplified duty and honor, but Captain Batterson didn't stop serving when he took off the uniform. For 26 years, he volunteered at the USS Lexington Museum in Corpus Christi, where he could often be found

at the Pearl Harbor exhibit, sharing his firsthand accounts of the attack on Pearl Harbor and other personal stories of valor from the war with visitors from around the world. His personal stories preserved a living history, ensuring future generations understood the sacrifices made for freedom.

Captain Batterson passed away last year at the age of 102 years young, leaving behind his wife, Hilda, and an indelible legacy of service and patriotism. His dedication to his community and his country will not be forgotten.

In naming this post office in his honor, we commemorate a life of extraordinary service to our country and the Corpus Christi community. Captain Batterson's name will continue to inspire all who pass through its door, reminding us of the courage and sacrifice that define our Greatest Generation and should continue to inspire our current and future generations.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this bill to honor a true American hero. May God bless Captain Batterson's memory, his family, the city of Corpus Christi, and our beloved Nation.

Mr. Speaker, as someone who had the opportunity to know him personally, there is no one who could be more worthy of this honor.

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Mr. Speaker, our committee's protocols for considering postal naming measures require the entire State delegation to be cosponsors. That is a protocol that has been in place for decades.

While limited exceptions have been made in the past, this bill currently has only 27 cosponsors from Texas' 38 members. We are, of course, supportive on the substance of the legislation and are absolutely supportive of honoring the legacy of the Representative's constituent, and we would simply urge mindfulness toward the committee rules.

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

Mr. COMER. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate and agree with hopefully the next ranking member of the House Oversight Committee, and there are two bills we are talking about, including the one for Mr. MFUME, that didn't meet those requirements.

Hopefully, that will not ever happen again in the future, but I will make that point again to the new speaker on the other side of the aisle.

Mr. Speaker, I have no further speakers, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Mr. Speaker, I urge the passage of H.R. 10065, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. COMER. Mr. Speaker, I might add they have nowhere to go but up in the ranking member category on that side of the aisle, and I appreciate my friend from New York City.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by