

such a great understanding of what was going on.

I ran for Congress in 1980, and in 1982 Howard Nielson elected to run for Congress, as Utah was reapportioned and we got a third Congressional seat. Howard was successful and served for eight years here. He served on the Committee on Commerce and a few other committees, and was well-known on both sides of the aisle as a man of fairness and integrity and a man who would be helpful to every Member.

He had some funny things happen to him while he was here, as we all do. He loved taking dome tours, and on one occasion he was taking a bunch of BYU students up to the dome, and the place where the door opens and goes up to the roof and goes up, he was the last in line.

Surprisingly enough, the door was open. He walked out on to the top of the Capitol, and the wind blew it shut, and no one knew that he was not with the group. So he started yelling at the police down below, and everyone thought somebody was suicidal up there and was going to jump off the roof of the Capitol. But Howard was written up in all of the papers in America on that little adventure, and, to this day, he still enjoys telling that story.

Howard, after leaving this body at his own volition after eight years, served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. In fact he served two missions. And, like Howard, you would expect, he also learned two additional languages, which is one of the things about Utah, there are more bilingual and trilingual people in Utah than anywhere in America, and now Howard joins that group.

I expected he would retire, but Howard is very healthy and very active and has a great mind, and Howard elected to again get back into politics, and ran successfully as a state senator in the State of Utah.

I think it is only fitting and I compliment my colleague from the third district, the gentleman from Utah (Mr. CANNON) for introducing legislation that would give some recognition to a person who truly believes in public service.

If I may wax a little Ecclesiastical, in the Scriptures it says the greatest of all will be the servant of all. In this instance, Howard Nielson, all of his life, as an educator, as a church leader, as a political man, has been a servant of many people; never aspiring to anything for himself, but in helping other people.

So with this humble man, with a great family of seven children and well over 25 grandchildren, it will now be emblazoned in stone that it is the Howard C. Nielson Post Office.

Let me point out one of his sons, Curtis, worked for me for a while, and last year Curtis graduated number one from Chicago law school, which is a real tribute to the Nielsons and to Curtis.

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 myself such time as I may consume.

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

Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, before I yield back, I would just briefly state that I want to express my appreciation to the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. DAVIS) and all the committee staff members on both the minority and majority side for their efforts. What we heard today is descriptive of really an extraordinary man. I would ask all of my colleagues to support this measure and give a very justified honor to a very special person.

Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and 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. 3120, as amended.

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

The title of the bill was amended so as to read: "A bill to designate the United States Post Office located at 95 West #100 South in Provo, Utah, as the 'Howard C. Nielson Post Office Building'."

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Mr. COOK. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to support H.R. 3120, a bill to name the U.S. Post Office in Provo, Utah after my friend Howard C. Nielson. Howard has been active in Provo and Utah politics since 1960. A long-time resident of Provo, he worked his way up from District Voting Chairman to Speaker of the Utah State Legislature. By vocation, a statistician, Howard used his aptitude for numbers to fight for tax relief for Utah citizens during his tenure in the legislature during the 1960s and 1970s. He was well-known for his ability to understand and explain complicated economic and budget documents.

Howard was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1982, where he served four terms. He continued his practice of providing unbiased economic analyses to members on both sides of the aisle. He was always happy to help anyone understand the budgetary and economic legislation that came before Congress. During his time in the House he fought for the Trade Readjustment Act legislation which helped retrain workers who lost their jobs as a result of overseas trade deficits. He highlighted the problem of waste dumping by Amtrak, fought for Indian health care and worked on the deregulation of the broadcast, telephone and natural gas industries.

But, Howard has not confined his efforts to politics. As a professor at Brigham Young University and Dean of the Statistics Department, he has passed along his love of numbers to his students. He is much sought after by think tanks like the Ford Foundation and has worked in places like Lebanon doing economic development studies.

An active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Howard and his wife have served as missionaries to Australia and Hungary. He is a family man and the proud father of seven children.

It is fitting, therefore, that the U.S. Post Office in Provo, should be named in his honor.

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 H.R. 3120.

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

There was no objection.

KARL BERNAL POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2766) to designate the United States Post Office located at 215 East Jackson Street in Painesville, Ohio, as the "Karl Bernal Post Office Building".

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 2766

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

SECTION 1. DESIGNATION.

The United States Post Office located at 215 East Jackson Street in Painesville, Ohio, as the "Karl Bernal Post Office Building".

SEC. 2. REFERENCES.

Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the United States Post Office referred to in section 1 shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Karl Bernal 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 asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

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

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 2766 was introduced on October 29, 1997, by the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. LATOURETTE), and it is cosponsored by the entire House delegation of the State of Ohio, as required under committee policy. The legislation was unanimously voted out of the committee on February 12, 1998, by a voice vote.

H.R. 2766 honors Mr. Karl Bernal, a civic and community leader in Painesville, Ohio. Mr. Bernal was a life member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Mr. Speaker, I will submit for the record a complete statement on the achievements of this very special individual. I know the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. LATOURETTE) and I presume others will want to make further comments upon that.

I think it is worth noting that the Ohio House of Representatives and the Ohio Senate have recognized Mr. Bernal's volunteer work and his work in mental health services.

The gentleman died at the age of 76 after a full life of service to his community. It is worthy of note that the people of Lake County considered Mr. Bernal more than a leader amongst the black community. His obituary stated, "It would be more accurate to portray him as possibly the most influential person in all the county, without consigning him to a subdivision based on race or other limiting factors."

Mr. Speaker, I think it is entirely fitting that we designate the Post Office at 215 East Jack Street in Painesville, Ohio, as the Karl Bernal Post Office Building, to honor a man who dedicated his life to his community.

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 2766 was introduced on October 29, 1997 by the gentleman from Ohio, Mr. LATOURETTE, and it is cosponsored by the entire House Delegation of the State of Ohio pursuant to the policy of the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight. The legislation was unanimously voted out by the Committee on February 12, 1998 by voice vote.

H.R. 2766 honors Karl Bernal, a civic and community leader in Painesville, Ohio. Mr. Bernal was a life member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). He was probably best known for his two terms as president of the Lake County Branch of the NAACP. Mr. Bernal was founder of the Lake County NAACP Scholarship Program and was a fundraiser for numerous other organizations. He attended the St. James Episcopal Church for many years. He was a member of the Painesville Area Chamber of Commerce and received its Outstanding Citizen of the Year award in 1989. Additionally, he received the distinguished service award of the Lake County Mental Health Board, distinguished service award of Lakeland Community College, the United Way of Lake County's Good Neighbor Award, the United Way of Lake County's Good Neighbor Award, among many other honors. The Ohio House of Representatives and the Ohio Senate recognized Mr. Bernal's volunteer work and for his work in mental health services.

Mr. Bernal died at the age of 76 after a full life of service to his community. People of Lake County consider Mr. Bernal more than a leader among the black community; his obituary stated that "[I]t would be more accurate to portray him as possibly the most influential person in all the country without consigning him to a subdivision based on race or other limiting factors."

Mr. Speaker, it is fitting to designate the post office at 215 East Jackson Street, Painesville, Ohio as the "Karl Bernal Post Office Building" to honor a man who dedicated his life to his community.

Mr. Speaker, I strongly urge our colleagues to support this measure.

Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, I yield three minutes to the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. LATOURETTE), who has been the driving force on this particular piece of legislation.

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

Mr. LATOURETTE. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from New York (Chairman MCHUGH), and also the ranking member of our subcommittee, the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. FATTAH), and his able stand-in, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. DAVIS), and the chairman of our full committee, the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. BURTON), and also our ranking member, the gentleman from California (Mr. WAXMAN), for allowing this bill to come forward to the floor in such a timely fashion.

Mr. Speaker, as the gentleman from New York (Mr. MCHUGH) stated, Karl Bernal did so much for the community in which I live, and it is more than fitting that his legacy be permanent with the addition of the Karl Bernal Post Office.

Karl Bernal was not one who simply paid lip service to a cause, but rather one who embraced so many causes and did not let go until he had affected some positive change. He was a giant in Lake County, Ohio, and with his passing last May, he is an individual who is sorely missed.

He was active in the Lake County Salvation Army, the United Way, where he was awarded with the Lake County's Good Neighbor Award. He was named the Painesville Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Citizen of the Year in 1989 and the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award from the Lake County Mental Health Board. He received a Distinguished Service Award from Lakeland Community College, and he was also given the Outstanding Pacesetter Award from the Ohio NAACP, and, probably most important to him, he was elected as a member of the Lake County Senior Citizen Hall of Fame.

I only had the pleasure of knowing Mr. Bernal during the last 20 years of his life. As the gentleman from New York (Mr. MCHUGH) stated, he died when he was 76, but his was a rich life, and, through his life, he made the community that I have the honor of representing richer for all of our citizens, and, for that reason, I respectfully ask all of our colleagues to support the naming of this Post Office in his memory, the Karl Bernal Post Office in Painesville, Ohio.

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

Mr. Speaker, I join the gentleman from New York (Chairman MCHUGH), in support of H.R. 2766, legislation introduced by our colleague, the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. LATOURETTE) designating the United States Post Office located at 215 East Jackson Street in Painesville, Ohio, as the Karl Bernal Post Office Building.

Mr. Bernal, as already noted, although deceased, was in the words of the News Herald Newspaper, truly one of a kind. His notion of civic responsibility was to totally immerse himself in organizations, projects, ventures and good deeds designed to make life better for others.

Mr. Karl Bernal was the recipient of numerous awards attesting to his dedication to his family and community. He received the Distinguished Service Award of the Lake County Mental Health Board, the Outstanding Pacesetter Award of the Ohio NAACP, the Distinguished Citizen Award of the Painesville Chamber of Commerce, and recognition from the Ohio House and Senate for his volunteer efforts.

By all accounts, designating the East Jackson Post Office in honor of Mr. Karl Bernal is indeed only a small token of the appreciation that we can bestow for his efforts to make life better for people throughout his community and throughout the State of Ohio.

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

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

Mr. Speaker, with a final thank you to the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. DAVIS) and his staff, and also to the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. LATOURETTE), who is not just a sponsor of this bill, but is also a valued member of the Postal Subcommittee, I would urge all my colleagues to support this very worthy designation of an extraordinary man.

Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and 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. 2766.

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 H.R. 2766.

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

There was no objection.

BLAINE H. EATON POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill (S. 916) to designate the United States Post Office building located at 750 Highway 28 East in Taylorsville, Mississippi, as the "Blaine H. Eaton Post Office Building".

The Clerk read as follows:

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

SECTION 1. DESIGNATION OF BLAINE H. EATON POST OFFICE BUILDING.

The United States Post Office building located at 750 Highway 28 East in Taylorsville,