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<u>Order of Business</u>: The bill is scheduled to be considered on Thursday, November 29, 2012, under a motion to suspend the rules requiring two thirds majority vote for passage.

<u>Summary</u>: <u>H.R. 6374</u> would designate a Veterans Affairs facility at 180 Martin Drive in Carrollton, Georgia as the "Trinka Davis Veterans Village."

Background: Ms. Katherine "Trinka" Rynne founded the Trinka Davis Foundation on November 9, 2004, and focused the majority of the funding on improving the lives of our soldiers by healing the trauma from deployment in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Following her death, Ms. Davis left her entire estate to her foundation. Over \$25 million was left to aid veterans and their families. In working with the Atlanta VA Medical center, the Foundation developed the concept of the Veterans Village to best serve the needs of local veterans in rehabilitating injuries and problems faced upon coming home; such as loss of limbs, traumatic brain injuries, depression, PTSD, unemployment, and loss of homes.

The Trinka Davis Veterans Village has been built to serve as both a medical office and community living center for veterans across Georgia. Through regional research, the Foundation Board learned that veterans in the Bowden and Atlanta area needed a Community Based Outpatient Clinic and nursing facility in Carrollton, Georgia. Without the donations from the Trinka Davis Foundation, the construction and operation of the village would never have become a reality. The facility anticipates around 3,000 veterans in the area will use the primary care services, and with 42 beds, rehabilitation will be more accessible than before. The facility will have a family-centered approach to treatment and will let residents and family members of the village be more involved in their care. The Trinka Davis Veterans Village will also provide home-based care for patients who cannot travel to the clinic.

<u>Committee Action</u>: Representative Phil Gingrey (R-GA) introduced H.R. 6374 on September 11, 2012, and the bill was referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs Subcommittee on Health, which took no public action.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: A CBO report for H.R. 6374 is unavailable. However, the only costs associated with a federal building renaming are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affects the federal budget.

Does the Bill Expand the Size and Scope of the Federal Government?: No.

<u>Does the Bill Contain Any New State-Government, Local-Government, or Private-Sector Mandates?</u>: No.

Does the Bill Contain Earmarks/Limited Tax Benefits/Limited Tariff Benefits?: No.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: The Constitutional Authority Statement accompanying the bill states, "Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: 'Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2 of the Constitution.'"

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H.R. 5788 – To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 103 Center Street West in Eatonville, Washington, as the "National Park Ranger Margaret Anderson Post Office" (Reichert, R-WA)

<u>Order of Business</u>: The bill is scheduled to be considered on Thursday, November 29, 2012, under a motion to suspend the rules requiring two thirds majority vote for passage.

<u>Summary</u>: <u>H.R. 5788</u> would designate the US Post Office facility at 103 Center Street West in Eatonville, Washington as the "National Park Ranger Margaret Anderson Post Office"

Background: According to Park Ranger Margaret Anderon's Memorial page:

"Park Ranger Margaret Anderson was shot and killed while attempting to stop a fleeing suspect near the Longmire Ranger Station in Mount Rainier National Park, in Pierce County, Washington, at approximately 10:30 am.

Another park ranger had attempted to stop the suspect at a snow-chain checkpoint near the Paradise Ranger Station, but the suspect fled before being intercepted by Ranger Anderson, who had set up a roadblock. Unbeknownst to Ranger Anderson, the suspect was wanted in connection to a shooting the previous day where four people were wounded.

When the suspect reached Ranger Anderson's roadblock, he made a U-turn, exited his vehicle, and opened fire. Ranger Anderson was shot before she was able to exit her patrol car.

After being shot, Ranger Anderson radioed for help as the suspect fled on foot. Responding units attempting to reach Ranger Anderson were held at bay for approximately 90 minutes as the suspect continued to fire on them. The suspect's vehicle was recovered with additional weapons and body armor inside.

The suspect's body was found the following day about six miles from the initial shooting scene.

Ranger Anderson had served with the National Park Service for 11 years. She is survived by her husband and two young children. Her husband also serves as a park ranger in the park and was on duty at the time." (read here).

<u>Committee Action</u>: Representative David Reichert (R-WA) introduced H.R. 5788 on May 16, 2012, and it was referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, which took no public action.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: A CBO report for H.R. 5788 is unavailable. However, the only costs associated with a federal building renaming are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affects the federal budget.

Does the Bill Expand the Size and Scope of the Federal Government?: No.

<u>Does the Bill Contain Any New State-Government, Local-Government, or Private-Sector Mandates?</u>: No.

Does the Bill Contain Earmarks/Limited Tax Benefits/Limited Tariff Benefits?: No.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: The Constitutional Authority Statement accompanying the bill states, 'Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: Article I, Section 8, Clause 7 'The Congress shall have Power to establish Post Offices and postroads.'"

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H.R. 5738 – To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15285 Samohin Drive in Macomb, Michigan, as the "Lance Cpl. Anthony A. DiLisio Clinton-Macomb Carrier Annex" (Miller, R-MI)

<u>Order of Business</u>: The bill is scheduled to be considered on Thursday, November 29, 2012, under a motion to suspend the rules requiring two thirds majority vote for passage.

<u>Summary</u>: <u>H.R. 5738</u> would designate a US Postal Office at 15285 Samohin Drive in Macomb, Michigan as the "Lance Cpl. Anthony A. DiLisio Clinton-Macomb Carrier Annex."

Background: Lance Cpl. Anthony A. DiLisio was a Marine who died in Afghanistan.

Lance Cpl. Anthony Dilisio was supporting combat operations in Helmand Province. He was assigned to 1st Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

He'll be buried in Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Township (read <u>here</u>).

<u>Committee Action</u>: Representative Candice Miller (R-MI) introduced H.R. 5738 on May 20, 2012, and it was referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. On June 27, 2012, a mark-up (<u>report</u>) was held and it was voted out by unanimous consent.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: A CBO report for H.R. 5738 is unavailable. However, the only costs associated with a federal building renaming are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affects the federal budget.

Does the Bill Expand the Size and Scope of the Federal Government?: No.

<u>Does the Bill Contain Any New State-Government, Local-Government, or Private-Sector Mandates?</u>: No.

Does the Bill Contain Earmarks/Limited Tax Benefits/Limited Tariff Benefits?: No.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: The Constitutional Authority Statement accompanying the bill states, "Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: Article I, Section 8, Clause 7."

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H.R. 3892 – To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8771 Auburn Folsom Road in Roseville, California, as the "Private First Class Victor A. Dew Post Office" (McClintock, R-CA)

<u>Order of Business</u>: The bill is scheduled to be considered on Thursday, November 29, 2012, under a motion to suspend the rules requiring two thirds majority vote for passage.

Summary: H.R. 3892 would designate a U.S. Post Office at 8771 Auburn Folsom Road in Roseville, California as the "Private First Class Victor A. Dew Post Office." Marin Pfc. Victor A. Dew was assigned to the 3d Battalion, 5th Marines when he died while conducting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan.

Background: According to Military Times:

"Pfc. Victor A. Dew, 20, of Granite Bay, Calif, wyou otta get as an anti-tank assault man on his first deployment since he enlisted in September 2009. He has been awarded the Purple Heart, Combat Action Ribbon, National Defense Service Medal and Global War on Terrorism Service Medal." (read here).

<u>Committee Action</u>: Representative Tom McClintock (R-CA) introduced H.R. 3892 on February 2, 2012, and it was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. A mark-up was held on February 7, 2012 (<u>report</u>) and it was reported out by voice vote.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: A CBO report for H.R. 3892 is unavailable. However, the only costs associated with a federal building renaming are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affects the federal budget.

Does the Bill Expand the Size and Scope of the Federal Government?: No.

<u>Does the Bill Contain Any New State-Government, Local-Government, or Private-Sector Mandates?</u>: No.

Does the Bill Contain Earmarks/Limited Tax Benefits/Limited Tariff Benefits?: No.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: The Constitutional Authority Statement accompanying the bill states, "Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: Article I, Section 8, Clause 7 of the Constitution of the United States of America."

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H.R. 2338— To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 600 Florida Avenue in Cocoa, Florida, as the "Harry T. and Harriette Moore Post Office" (Posey, R-FL)

<u>Order of Business</u>: The bill is scheduled to be considered on Thursday, November 29, 2012, under a motion to suspend the rules requiring two thirds majority vote for passage.

Summary: H.R. 2338 would designate a U.S. Post Office facility in Cocoa, Florida as the "Harry T. and Harriette Moore Post Office."

Background: Harry T. Moore was an Africa-American teacher, and founder of the first branch of NAACP in Florida. He was a leader in the civil rights movement until he was killed by members of the Klu Klux Klan in 1951.

<u>Committee Action</u>: Representative Bill Posey (R-FL) introduced H.R. 2338 on June 23, 2011, and it was referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service, and Labor Policy. A mark-up was held on June 27, 2012 (<u>report</u>) and it was voted out by unanimous consent.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: A CBO report for H.R. 2338 is unavailable. However, the only costs associated with a federal building renaming are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affects the federal budget.

Does the Bill Expand the Size and Scope of the Federal Government?: No.

<u>Does the Bill Contain Any New State-Government, Local-Government, or Private-Sector Mandates?</u>: No.

Does the Bill Contain Earmarks/Limited Tax Benefits/Limited Tariff Benefits?: No.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: The Constitutional Authority Statement accompanying the bill states, "Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: Article 1, Section 8, Clause 7 (power to establish Post Offices) and Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18 (the Necessary and Proper Clause)."

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H.R. 3912 – To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 Mastic Road in Mastic Beach, New York, as the "Brigadier General Nathaniel Woodhull Post Office Building" (Bishop, D-NY)

<u>Order of Business</u>: The bill is scheduled to be considered on Thursday, November 29, 2012, under a motion to suspend the rules requiring two thirds majority vote for passage.

<u>Summary</u>: <u>H.R. 3912</u> would designate a U.S. Postal Service facility at 110 Mastic Road in Mastic Beach, New York as the "Brigadier General Nathaniel Woodhull Post Office."

Background: Brigadier General Nathaniel Woodhull was a leader of the New York Provincial Congress and a Brigadier-general of the New York militia during the America Revolution.

<u>Committee Action</u>: Representative Timothy Bishop (D-NY) introduced H.R. 3912 on June 7, 2012, and it was referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. A mark-up (<u>report</u>) was held on June 27, 2012, and it was voted out by unanimous consent.

<u>Administration Position</u>: No Statement of Administration Policy is available.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: A CBO report for H.R. 3912 is unavailable. However, the only costs associated with a federal building renaming are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affects the federal budget.

Does the Bill Expand the Size and Scope of the Federal Government?: No.

<u>Does the Bill Contain Any New State-Government, Local-Government, or Private-Sector Mandates?</u>: No.

Does the Bill Contain Earmarks/Limited Tax Benefits/Limited Tariff Benefits?: No.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: The Constitutional Authority Statement accompanying the bill states, "Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: 'Article I, Section 8, Clause 7."

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H.R. 5954 – To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 320 7th Street in Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, as the "Sergeant Leslie H. Sabo, Jr. Post Office Building" (*Altmire*, *D-PA*)

<u>Order of Business</u>: The bill is scheduled to be considered on Thursday, November 29, 2012, under a motion to suspend the rules requiring two thirds majority vote for passage.

<u>Summary</u>: H.R. 5954 would designate a U.S. Post Office facility at 320 7th Street in Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, as the "Sergeant Leslie H. Sabo, Jr. Post Office Building."

Background: Leslie H. Sabo was a soldier in the U.S. army during the Vietnam War. Sabo was nominated for the Medal of Honor shortly after his death, and after a long delay he received the Medal of Honor from President Barack Obama on 16 May 2012, 42 years after his death.

<u>Committee Action</u>: Representative Jason Altmire (D-PA) introduced H.R. 5954 on June 18, 2012, and it was referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. A mark-up was held on June 20, 2012 (<u>report</u>) and it was voted out of committee by unanimous consent.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: A CBO report for H.R. 5954 is unavailable. However, the only costs associated with a federal building renaming are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affects the federal budget.

Does the Bill Expand the Size and Scope of the Federal Government?: No.

<u>Does the Bill Contain Any New State-Government, Local-Government, or Private-Sector Mandates?</u>: No.

Does the Bill Contain Earmarks/Limited Tax Benefits/Limited Tariff Benefits?: No.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: The Constitutional Authority Statement accompanying the bill states, Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: "This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8, of the United States Constitution."

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