

that this House could bring the economic growth and jobs creation package to the floor before the Easter break.

Mr. HOYER. I thank the gentleman for his comments, Mr. Speaker.

ADJOURNMENT TO MONDAY,
MARCH 31, 2003

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, March 31, for morning hour debates.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SIMPSON). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

DISPENSING WITH CALENDAR
WEDNESDAY BUSINESS ON
WEDNESDAY NEXT

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday next.

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

There was no objection.

PAYING HOMAGE TO CORPORAL
JOSE ANGEL GARIBAY, AN
AMERICAN HERO

(Mr. ROHRABACHER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ROHRABACHER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay homage and respect to Corporal Jose Angel Garibay, a 21-year-old Marine killed in action in Iraq a few days ago.

Jose Garibay was a proud American of Mexican American descent. He is now an American hero. He was born in Jalisco, Mexico. His family moved to California while he was still a baby. Like almost all Americans, his family came here seeking opportunity and freedom.

Corporal Garibay grew up in Costa Mesa, California. He exemplified what anyone would call an all-American kid. He was a source of joy and pride to his family. He was a star football player on the Newport Harbor High School football team; and he joined the Marines 3 years ago, shortly after graduating from high school.

He was a loving son to his mother, Simona; and he had hoped to use his military pay to help his mother buy a house. He put his own family first and foremost in his life, and through his sacrifice for our Nation in this war against tyranny and terrorism he proved that love of country and love of family are inseparably linked.

Corporal Garibay, his supreme sacrifice will not be forgotten. He will be remembered alongside the many brave American heroes who have gone before

him in defending family, freedom, and country.

Today we send our greatest sympathy to the Garibay family. May God's love and the gratitude of our Nation comfort them and comfort the families of all of our fallen heroes.

JIM RICHARDSON POST OFFICE
DESIGNATION IN CHARLOTTE,
NORTH CAROLINA

(Mr. WATT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WATT. Mr. Speaker, later today, with the bipartisan unanimous support of the members of the North Carolina delegation, I will be dropping a bill to rename the United States Post Office at 2127 Beatties Ford Road in Charlotte, North Carolina, in honor of Jim Richardson, one of my constituents.

James Franklin Richardson, Sr., known by most people simply as Jim, was born in 1926 in Charlotte. In 1949, Jim began a 33-year career with the United States Postal Service. During his 33-year career, Jim had numerous positions, including Postal Service Clerk in the Charlotte Post Office and Railway Postal Service Worker. He subsequently held a number of supervisory positions and retired as the U.S. Postmaster in Mt. Holly, North Carolina, receiving a certificate of appreciation from the U.S. Postal Service.

I honor him today and will drop this bill. I ask for support from my colleagues.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Jim Richardson, a man who has dedicated a lifetime to making the world around him a better place. As a lasting tribute to Jim's dedication to his country, his community and to the State of North Carolina I will shortly introduce legislation to designate the United States Post Office at 2127 Beatties Ford Road in Charlotte, North Carolina as the "Jim Richardson Post Office."

Mr. James Franklin Richardson, Sr., known by most people simply as "Jim," was born on May 20, 1926 in Charlotte, North Carolina. He grew up in Charlotte where he attended Isabella Wyche Elementary and graduated from Second Ward High. Jim served in the United States Navy during World War II and, following an honorable discharge, attended Johnson C. Smith University, where he graduated in 1949 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education and General Science.

In 1949 Jim began a 33-year career with the United States Postal Service. During his 33-year career, Jim held numerous positions within the Postal Service, including serving as Postal Service Clerk in the Charlotte Post Office and later as a clerk with the Railway Postal Service, where he served on many train routes. When mail routes on trains were eliminated, Jim returned to the Charlotte Post Office and held a number of supervisory positions. He served the last eight years of his tenure as U.S. Postmaster in Mt. Holly, North Carolina and received a Certificate of Appreciation from the United States Postal Service in Recognition of Exceptional Performance in the Interest of Improved Postal Service.

In 1985 Jim was elected to the North Carolina House of Representatives, where he served one two-year term before being elected to the North Carolina Senate in the Senate District I previously represented. He served four terms in the state Senate before his retirement in 1994. With strong, bi-partisan encouragement, Jim ran for and was elected to the Mecklenburg County Commission where he served six years. There are few people I know in North Carolina who enjoy the kind of bi-partisan admiration Jim has that I believe results from his affable demeanor, willingness to work on issues across party lines and willingness to vote his convictions without regard to partisan expectations.

I hope this House will join me by honoring Jim Richardson for his civility and for his role as a true American patriot, a great communicator and a tireless voice for the voice-less.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BRADLEY of New Hampshire). Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 7, 2003, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. BURTON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. BURTON of Indiana addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mr. CARDOZA. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to proceed with my special order at this time.

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

There was no objection.

THE LACK OF FEDERAL RESOURCES ALLOCATED TO LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT, AMERICA'S FRONT LINE IN THE WAR ON TERRORISM

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California (Mr. CARDOZA) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. CARDOZA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to address the lack of Federal resources being allocated to local law enforcement officials, our front line in our war on terrorism.

Several weeks ago, I sent out an e-mail asking first responders from my district to attend a brown bag lunch to discuss the challenges they face. With less than 24 hours' notice, nearly 60 law enforcement officials and fire professionals changed their schedules and attended this meeting.

While in nearly every case they support the administration's efforts on terrorism, as do I, to an individual they were disappointed in the lack of resources provided by their Federal