

[H.R. 3735, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 200 Town Run Lane in Winston Salem, North Carolina, as the "Maya Angelou Memorial Post Office"](#)

FLOOR SITUATION

On Tuesday, March 1, 2016, the House will consider [H.R. 3735](#), to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 200 Town Run Lane in Winston Salem, North Carolina, as the "Maya Angelou Memorial Post Office," under suspension of the rules. H.R. 3735 was introduced on October 9, 2015, by Rep. Alma Adams (D-NC) and was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, which ordered the bill reported by unanimous consent on December 9, 2015.

SUMMARY

H.R. 3735 designates the United States Postal Service facility located at 200 Town Run Lane in Winston Salem, North Carolina, as the "Maya Angelou Memorial Post Office".

BACKGROUND

Dr. Maya Angelou was an American author, poet, and civil rights activist and received over 80 honorary degrees. She published seven autobiographies, three books of essays, and several books of poetry over her career. She served on two Presidential Committees including the American Revolution Bicentennial Council under President Gerald Ford and the Presidential Commission for International Women's Year under President Jimmy Carter.

In 1993, upon the request of President Bill Clinton, Dr. Angelou composed a poem to read at his inauguration. In 2000, President Clinton awarded Dr. Angelou the National Medal of Arts. She also penned the poem "Amazing Peace" for President George W. Bush and delivered the poem at the 2005 Christmas tree lighting ceremony.

In 2010, President Barack Obama presented her the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the country's highest civilian honor. In 1981, Dr. Angelou moved to Winston-Salem, N.C. where she accepted the Lifetime William Neal Reynolds Professorship of American Studies at Wake Forest University. She

went on to serve as a Professor at Wake Forest for over 30 years and a community leader. She died on May 28, 2014, at the age of 86.

COST

A Congressional Budget Office (CBO) cost estimate is currently not available.

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