

# U.S. Sen. Baldwin: Applauds Senate passage of bipartisan legislation to rename New Richmond post office for World War II veterans

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – The Senate passed bipartisan legislation today introduced by Senators Tammy Baldwin and Ron Johnson to honor Captain Robert C. Harmon and Private John R. Peirson, two New Richmond natives who were both killed during World War II.

“Captain Robert Harmon and Private John Peirson paid the ultimate sacrifice while serving our country during World War II. These brave American heroes should have their service and sacrifice to our nation honored,” **said Senator Baldwin.** “I’m pleased that our legislation has passed the Senate and I look forward to the President signing it into law.”

The legislation will designate the post office at 430 South Knowles Avenue in New Richmond as the “Captain Robert C. Harmon and Private John R. Peirson Post Office.”

Captain Harmon, on his 51<sup>st</sup> mission, was shot down over France a week before the D-Day invasion in Europe. A year later, Pvt. Peirson was killed during the Easter Day assault on the island of Okinawa. Though Captain Harmon’s remains were never found, the brothers are buried side-by-side at the Fort Snelling Military Cemetery in Minneapolis.

The American Legion Butler-Harmon Post 80, St. Croix County Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 10818 and the New Richmond Chamber of Commerce support this effort.

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