

New name possible for Atchison Post Office

(KAIR)--The Atchison Post Office could be gaining a new name.

That comes as members of the Kansas Delegation introduce legislation to name the building in honor of Atchison's famous daughter, Amelia Earhart.

The bill was introduced in the U.S. House by Congresswoman Lynn Jenkins, and introduced in the U.S. Senate by Senator Pat Roberts.

The famed aviatrix grew up in her family home, in Atchison, where she lived until the age of 12.

In a press release, Jenkins, a Kansas native, says that Earhart's courageous actions inspired her, and many others. "to dream big and accomplish lofty goals."

She says it's "only right that we rename her hometown post office in her honor, to continue her legacy and inspire future generations."

Roberts calls Earhart "one of the great pioneers" of the nation, who "is an inspiration to all aviators and a role model to women around the world."

He says renaming the post office "is one more way to honor her incredible legacy."

According to the wording of the legislation, if it should be approved by the House and Senate, the Atchison Post Office, which stands at 621 Kansas Avenue, would be designated as the "Amelia Earhart Post Office Building."

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