

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 692

AN ACT

To amend title 4, United States Code, to authorize the Governor of a State, territory, or possession of the United States to order that the National flag be flown at half-staff in that State, territory, or possession in the event of the death of a member of the Armed Forces from that State, territory, or possession who dies while serving on active duty.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Army Specialist Joseph
5 P. Micks Federal Flag Code Amendment Act of 2007”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDING.**

7 Congress finds that members of the Armed Forces
8 of the United States defend the freedom and security of
9 the United States.

10 **SEC. 3. PROCEDURE FOR NATIONAL FLAG TO BE FLOWN AT**

11 **HALF-STAFF IN THE EVENT OF THE DEATH**

12 **OF A MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES.**

13 (a) ISSUANCE OF PROCLAMATION.—Subsection (m)
14 of section 7 of title 4, United States Code, is amended
15 in the sixth sentence—

16 (1) by inserting “or the death of a member of
17 the Armed Forces from any State, territory, or pos-
18 session who dies while serving on active duty” after
19 “present or former official of the government of any
20 State, territory, or possession of the United States”;
21 and

22 (2) by inserting before the period the following:
23 “, and the same authority is provided to the Mayor
24 of the District of Columbia with respect to present
25 or former officials of the District of Columbia and

1 members of the Armed Forces from the District of
2 Columbia”.

3 (b) FEDERAL FACILITY CONSISTENCY WITH PROC-
4 LAMATION.—Such subsection is further amended by in-
5 serting after the sixth sentence the following new sentence:
6 “When the Governor of a State, territory, or possession,
7 or the Mayor of the District of Columbia, issues a procla-
8 mation under the preceding sentence that the National
9 flag be flown at half-staff in that State, territory, or pos-
10 session or in the District of Columbia because of the death
11 of a member of the Armed Forces, the National flag flown
12 at any Federal installation or facility in the area covered
13 by that proclamation shall be flown at half-staff consistent
14 with that proclamation.”.

Passed the House of Representatives May 15, 2007.

Attest:

Clerk.

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