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H.R. 1458 - To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1 Walter Hammond Place in Waldwick, New Jersey, as the "Staff Sergeant Joseph D'Augustine Post Office Building— (Garrett-R, NJ)

<u>Order of Business</u>: <u>H.R. 1458</u> is scheduled to be considered on June 17, 2014, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires a two-thirds majority for passage.

<u>Summary</u>: This bill designates the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1 Walter Hammond Place in Waldwick, New Jersey, as the "Staff Sergeant Joseph D'Augustine Post Office Building."

<u>Additional Background</u>: Staff Sergeant Joseph D'Augustine from Waldwick, New Jersey, was killed in Afghanistan while conducting combat operations. He died March 27, 2012, at the age of 29.

<u>Committee Action</u>: This bill was introduced on April 10, 2013, by Representative Scott Garrett and referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. The committee held a mark-up on March 12, 2014, and the bill was ordered to be reported out by unanimous consent.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available at this time.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: No CBO score was available at press time, but the only costs associated with naming U.S. federal buildings and post offices are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affect the federal budget.

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H.R. 43 - Officer Tommy Decker Memorial Post Office — (Bachmann-R, MN)

<u>Order of Business</u>: <u>H.R. 43</u> is scheduled to be considered on June 17, 2014, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires a two-thirds majority for passage.

Summary: This bill designates the post office located at 14 Red River Avenue North in Cold Spring, Minnesota as the `Officer Tommy Decker Memorial Post Office'.

<u>Additional Background</u>: Police Officer Tom Decker was shot and killed on November 29, 2012, as he and his partner performed a welfare check on a man whose family believed he was suicidal. Officer Decker had served with the Cold Spring Police Department for six years. He had previously served with the Isle Police Department and Kimbal Police Department for an additional four years.

<u>Committee Action</u>: This bill was introduced on January 3, 2013, by Representative Michelle Bachmann and referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. The committee held a mark-up on May 21, 2014 and the bill was ordered to be reported out by unanimous consent.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available at this time.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: No CBO score was available at press time, but the only costs associated with naming U.S. federal buildings and post offices are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affect the federal budget.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: According to the sponsor, "Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress to establish Post Offices and post roads, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8, Clause 7 of the United States Constitution." Read the statement <u>here</u>.

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H.R. 1391 – The Lance Corporal Joshua B. McDaniels and Veterans Memorial Post Office Building, as amended — (Stivers-R, OH)

<u>Order of Business</u>: <u>H.R. 1391</u> is scheduled to be considered on June 17, 2014, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires a two-thirds majority for passage.

<u>Summary</u>: This bill designates the postal facility located at 25 South Oak Street in London, Ohio, as the "Lance Corporal Joshua B. McDaniels and Veterans Memorial Post Office Building."

<u>Additional Background</u>: Lance Corporal Joshua B. McDaniels from Dublin, Ohio, was killed in Afghanistan while conducting combat operations. He died June 12, 2011, at the age of 21.

<u>Committee Action</u>: This bill was introduced on March 21, 2013, by Representative Steve Stivers and referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. The

committee held a mark-up on March 12, 2014, and the bill was ordered to be reported out by unanimous consent.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available at this time.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: No CBO score was available at press time, but the only costs associated with naming U.S. federal buildings and post offices are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affect the federal budget.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: According to the sponsor, "The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress to establish Post Offices and post roads, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8, Clause 7 of the United States Constitution." Read the statement <u>here</u>.

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H.R. 3765 - To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 198 Baker Street in Corning, New York, as the "Specialist Ryan P. Jayne Post Office Building" (Reed, R-NY)

<u>Order of Business</u>: <u>H.R. 3765</u> is scheduled to be considered on June 17, 2014, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires a two-thirds majority for passage.

Summary: This bill designates the postal facility located at 198 Baker Street in Corning, New York, as the "Specialist Ryan P. Jayne Post Office Building."

<u>Additional Background</u>: Specialist Ryan Jayne from Campbell, New York, died as a result of wounds caused by an improvised explosive device in Afghanistan. He died on November 3, 2012, at the age of 22.

<u>Committee Action</u>: This bill was introduced on December 12, 2013, by Representative Tom Reed and referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. The committee held a mark-up on March 12, 2014, and the bill was ordered to be reported out by unanimous consent.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available at this time.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: No CBO score was available at press time, but the only costs associated with naming U.S. federal buildings and post offices are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affect the federal budget.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: According to the sponsor, "The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress to establish Post Offices and post roads, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8, Clause 7 of the United States Constitution." Read the statement <u>here</u>.

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H.R. 1707 - To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 302 East Green Street in Champaign, Illinois, as the "James R. Burgess Jr. Post Office Building" (Davis, R-IL)

<u>Order of Business</u>: <u>H.R. 1707</u> is scheduled to be considered on June 17, 2014, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires a two-thirds majority for passage.

Summary: This bill designates the postal facility located at 302 East Green Street in Champaign, Illinois, as the "James R. Burgess Jr. Post Office Building."

Additional Background: James R. Burgess Jr. was born on December 19, 1915, in Algood, Tennessee, and served more than twenty years in the Army as a leader of the 761st Tank Battalion, the first African-American armored unit to enter battle in World War II. In 1972, he was the first African-American elected to countywide office in Champaign County. He served as State's Attorney and later served as a U.S. attorney in East St. Louis.

<u>Committee Action</u>: This bill was introduced on April 24, 2014, by Representative Rodney Davis and referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. The committee held a mark-up on May 21, 2014, and the bill was ordered to be reported out by unanimous consent.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available at this time.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: No CBO score was available at press time, but the only costs associated with naming U.S. federal buildings and post offices are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affect the federal budget.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: According to the sponsor, "The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress to establish Post Offices and post roads, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8, Clause 7 of the United States Constitution." Read the statement here.

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H.R. 3472 - To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 13127 Broadway Street in Alden, New York, as the "Sergeant Brett E. Gornewicz Memorial Post Office"— (Collins-R, NY)

<u>Order of Business</u>: <u>H.R. 3472</u> is scheduled to be considered on June 17, 2014, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires a two-thirds majority for passage.

Summary: This bill designates the postal facility located at 13127 Broadway Street in Alden, New York, as the "Sergeant Brett E. Gornewicz Memorial Post Office."

<u>Additional Background</u>: Sergeant Brett Gornewicz from Alden, New York, was killed in Afghanistan due to wounds caused by an improvised explosive device. He died November 3, 2012, at the age of 27.

<u>Committee Action</u>: This bill was introduced on November 13, 2013, by Representative Chris Collins and referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. The committee held a mark-up on March 12, 2014, and the bill was ordered to be reported out by unanimous consent.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available at this time.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: No CBO score was available at press time, but the only costs associated with naming U.S. federal buildings and post offices are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affect the federal budget.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: According to the sponsor, "The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress to establish post offices and post roads, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8, Clause 7 of the United States Constitution." Read the statement <u>here</u>.

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H.R. 1865 - To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 35 Park Street in Danville, Vermont, as the "Thaddeus Stevens Post Office"— (Welch-D, VT)

<u>Order of Business</u>: <u>H.R. 1865</u> is scheduled to be considered on June 17, 2014, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires a two-thirds majority for passage.

Summary: This bill designates the postal facility located at 35 Park Street in Danville, Vermont, as the "Thaddeus Stevens Post Office."

<u>Additional Background</u>: <u>Thaddeus Stevens</u> was born on April 4, 1972, in Danville, Vermont. He was a leader in the House of Representatives- serving as chairman of Ways and Means- in the 1860s and was an outspoken opponent of slavery and helped draft the 14th Amendment.

<u>Committee Action</u>: This bill was introduced on May 7, 2013, by Representative Peter Welch and referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. The committee held a mark-up on May 21, 2014, and the bill was ordered to be reported out by unanimous consent.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available at this time.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: No CBO score was available at press time, but the only costs associated with naming U.S. federal buildings and post offices are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affect the federal budget.

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H.R. 2112 - To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 787 State Route 17M in Monroe, New York, as the "National Clandestine Service of the Central Intelligence Agency NCS Officer Gregg David Wenzel Memorial Post Office"— (Maloney-D, NY)

<u>Order of Business</u>: <u>H.R. 2112</u> is scheduled to be considered on June 17, 2014, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires a two-thirds majority for passage.

<u>Summary</u>: This bill designates the postal facility located at 787 State Route 17M in Monroe, New York, as the "National Clandestine Service of the Central Intelligence Agency NCS Officer Gregg David Wenzel Memorial Post Office."

Major Changes Since the Last Time This Legislation was Before the House: H.R. 3593, introduced by Representative Nan Hayworth, passed the House by voice vote on July 23, 2012. It was then referred to the Senate where it was never received a vote.

<u>Additional Background</u>: Gregg Wenzel was a National Clandestine Service Officer with the CIA who was killed in Ethiopia in 2003. He was a former defense attorney and grew up in Monroe, New York.

<u>Committee Action</u>: This bill was introduced on May 22, 2013, by Representative Sean Maloney and referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. The committee held a mark-up on May 21, 2014, and the bill was ordered to be reported out by unanimous consent.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available at this time.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: No CBO score was available at press time, but the only costs associated with naming U.S. federal buildings and post offices are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affect the federal budget.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: According to the sponsor, "The constitutional authority on which this bill rests is the power of Congress to establish Post Offices and post roads, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8, Clause 7 of the United States Constitution." Read the statement <u>here</u>.

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H.R. 1671 - To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6937 Village Parkway in Dublin, California, as the "James 'Jim' Kohnen Post Office"— (Swalwell-D, CA)

<u>Order of Business</u>: <u>H.R. 1671</u> is scheduled to be considered on June 17, 2014, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires a two-thirds majority for passage.

Summary: This bill designates the postal facility located at 6937 Village Parkway in Dublin, California, as the "James 'Jim' Kohnen Post Office."

<u>Additional Background</u>: <u>James Kohen</u> retired from the U.S. Army Reserves as a Colonel in the Corps of Engineers after 30 years of service. In addition, he was a high school teacher at San Leandro High School and served with a variety of service organizations in the East Bay.

<u>Committee Action</u>: This bill was introduced on April 23, 2013, by Representative Eric Swalwell and referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. The committee held a mark-up on May 21, 2014, and the bill was ordered to be reported out by unanimous consent.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available at this time.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: No CBO score was available at press time, but the only costs associated with naming U.S. federal buildings and post offices are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affect the federal budget.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: According to the sponsor, "Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: clause 18 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution, clause 7 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution 16." Read the statement here.

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H.R. 3786 — To direct the Administrator of General Services, on behalf of the Archivist of the United States, to convey certain Federal property located in the State of Alaska to the Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska (Young, R-AK)

<u>Order of Business</u>: H.R. 3786 is expected to be considered on June 17, 2014, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires a two-thirds majority vote for passage.

<u>Summary</u>: The bill would authorize the transfer, at fair market value, nine acres of land owned by the National Archives in Anchorage, Alaska to the City of Anchorage. According to the Committee Report, the National Archives has no need for this property.

<u>Committee Action</u>: H.R. 3786 was introduced on December 16, 2013. The House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure marked up and reported the bill by voice vote on <u>March 13</u>, 2014.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: According to the <u>CBO</u>, this "legislation would have no significant effect on the federal budget."

Does the Bill Expand the Size and Scope of the Federal Government?: No.

<u>Does the Bill Contain Any New State-Government, Local-Government, or Private-Sector Mandates?</u>: No, according to CBO.

<u>Does the Bill Contain Any Federal Encroachment into State or Local Authority in Potential Violation of the 10th Amendment?</u>: No.

<u>Does the Bill Delegate Any Legislative Authority to the Executive Branch?</u>: No. <u>Does the Bill Contain Any Earmarks/Limited Tax Benefits/Limited Tariff Benefits?</u>:

According to the Committee Report, "No provision in the bill, as amended, includes an earmark, limited tax benefit, or limited tariff benefit.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: "Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2 and Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1."

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H.R. 3998 — Albuquerque, New Mexico, Federal Land Conveyance Act of 2014 (*Lujan Grisham*, D-NM)

<u>Order of Business</u>: H.R. 3998 is expected to be considered on June 17, 2014, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires a two-thirds majority vote for passage.

<u>Summary</u>: H.R. 3998 would authorize the General Services Administration to transfer, at fair market value, a historic post office in Albuquerque, New Mexico to the Amy Biehl High School Foundation. The Amy Biehl High School is a public charter school that has occupied the building since 2006 and pays the GSA a nominal rent. According to the Committee Report, the GSA has determined that the cost of maintaining the facility now exceeds profits from the lease and there is no federal use for the building.

<u>Committee Action</u>: H.R. 3998 was introduced on February 5, 2014. The House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure marked up and reported the bill by voice vote on <u>March 13</u>, 2014.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: According to the <u>CBO</u>, "the net offsetting receipts from the sale would be negligible. Enacting H.R. 3998 would not affect revenues."

Does the Bill Expand the Size and Scope of the Federal Government?: No.

<u>Does the Bill Contain Any New State-Government, Local-Government, or Private-Sector Mandates?</u>: No, according to CBO.

<u>Does the Bill Contain Any Federal Encroachment into State or Local Authority in Potential Violation of the 10th Amendment?</u>: No.

Does the Bill Delegate Any Legislative Authority to the Executive Branch?: No.

Does the Bill Contain Any Earmarks/Limited Tax Benefits/Limited Tariff Benefits?:

According to the Committee Report, "No provision in the bill, as amended, includes an earmark, limited tax benefit, or limited tariff benefit.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: "Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18 of the U.S. Constitution."

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H.R. 3375 - To designate the community-based outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs to be constructed at 3141 Centennial

Boulevard, Colorado Springs, Colorado, as the "PFC Floyd K. Lindstrom Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic" — (Lamborn-R, CO)

<u>Order of Business</u>: <u>H.R. 3375</u> is scheduled to be considered on June 17, 2014, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires a two-thirds majority for passage.

<u>Summary</u>: This bill designates the community-based outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs to be constructed at 3141 Centennial Boulevard, Colorado Springs, Colorado, as the "PFC Floyd K. Lindstrom Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic."

<u>Additional Background</u>: PFC Floyd K. Lindstrom grew up in Colorado Springs, Colorado and joined the Army in June of 1942. He was killed in action in February of 1944, and posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor for singly-handedly charging and capturing a German machine gun.

<u>Committee Action</u>: This bill was introduced on October 29, 2013, by Representative Doug Lamborn and referred to the House Committee Veterans' Affairs. It was further referred to the Subcommittee on Health where it awaits further action.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available at this time. Cost to Taxpayers: No CBO score was available at press time, but the only costs associated with naming U.S. federal buildings are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affect the federal budget.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: According to the sponsor, "Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution." Read the statement <u>here</u>.

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H.R. 1216 - To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Vet Center in Prescott, Arizona, as the Dr. Cameron McKinley Department of Veterans Affairs Veterans Center— (Goasr-R, AZ)

<u>Order of Business</u>: H.R. 1216 is scheduled to be considered on June 17, 2014, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires a two-thirds majority for passage.

Summary: This bill designates the Department of Veterans Affairs Vet Center in Prescott, Arizona, as the "Dr. Cameron McKinley Department of Veterans Affairs Veterans Center."

<u>Additional Background</u>: Dr. Cameron McKinely served in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve from 1947-1949. In addition, he served as Chief of Psychology at the Veterans Affairs Hospital in Prescott, Arizona where he focused on the treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD)

and provided cutting-edge psychological and neuropsychological assessments to veterans returning from war.

<u>Committee Action</u>: This bill was introduced on March 15, 2013, by Representative Paul Gosar and referred to the House Committee Veterans' Affairs. It was further referred to the Subcommittee on Health where it awaits further action.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available at this time.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: No CBO score was available at press time, but the only costs associated with naming U.S. federal buildings are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affect the federal budget.

Constitutional Authority: According to the sponsor, "Article I, Sec. 8, Clause 17, which provides that Congress has the power and authority to: "exercise exclusive Legislation in all Cases whatsoever, over such District (not exceeding ten Miles square) as may, by Cession of particular States, and the Acceptance of Congress, become the Seat of the Government of the United States, and to exercise like Authority over all Places purchased by the Consent of the Legislature of the State in which the Same shall be, for the Erection [[Page H1549]] of Forts, Magazines, Arsenals, dock-Yards, and other needful Buildings. (Emphasis added). Thus, the Constitution's Places Clause confers the express and exclusive constitutional authority to Congress to manage Federal Property, including federally owned property used for any "needful" government purpose. The federal government's duty to raise and maintain a military force subsumes a duty to maintain and take care of its veterans from such military forces. Thus, a veterans' center is a ``needful building" to fulfill a core constitutional duty, and thus Congress has the exclusive authority to manage it and give it a name. James v. Dravo Contracting Co., 302 U.S. 134, 143 (1937) (taking the "view" that the phrase ``other needful buildings" embraces "whatever structures are found to be necessary in the performance of the functions of the federal government). For these reasons, the bill seeking to name a veteran's center is constitutionally permissible. Read the statement here.

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H.R. 4199 - To name the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Waco, Texas, as the Doris Miller Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center— (Flores-R, TX)

<u>Order of Business</u>: <u>H.R. 4199</u> is scheduled to be considered on June 17, 2014, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires a two-thirds majority for passage.

Summary: This bill names the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Waco, Texas, as the "Doris Miller Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

Additional Background: Doris Miller was born in Waco, Texas on October 12, 1919 and enlisted in the U.S. Navy as a mess attendant in 1939. On November 25, 1944, Miller was presumed dead after being classified as missing in action while serving aboard USS Liscome Bay – a vessel that was torpedoed and sunk in the Pacific Ocean. Miller was awarded the Navy Cross Medal, Purple Heart Medal, American Defense Service Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, and World War II Victory Medal.

<u>Committee Action</u>: This bill was introduced on March 11, 2014, by Representative Bill Flores and referred to the House Committee Veterans' Affairs. It was further referred to the Subcommittee on Health where it awaits further action.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available at this time.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: No CBO score was available at press time, but the only costs associated with naming U.S. federal buildings are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affect the federal budget.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: According to the sponsor, "Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: United States Constitution, Article I Section 8." Read the statement <u>here</u>.

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H.R. 3682 - To designate the community based outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs located at 1961 Premier Drive in Mankato, Minnesota, as the Lyle C. Pearson Community Based Outpatient Clinic— (Walz-D, MN)

<u>Order of Business</u>: <u>H.R. 3682</u> is scheduled to be considered on June 17, 2014, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires a two-thirds majority for passage.

<u>Summary</u>: This bill designates designate the community based outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs located at 1961 Premier Drive in Mankato, Minnesota, as the "Lyle C. Pearson Community Based Outpatient Clinic."

Additional Background: Lyle C. Pearson was born February 5, 1921 in Montevideo, Minnesota. He enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps in May of 1942 and flew 50 combat missions over occupied territory. He was shot down over Italy in December of 1944 and was a prisoner of war until May of 1945. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with Clusters, and the Purple Heart.

<u>Committee Action</u>: This bill was introduced on December 9, 2013, by Representative Timothy Walz and referred to the House Committee Veterans' Affairs. It was further referred to the Subcommittee on Health where it awaits further action.

<u>Administration Position</u>: No Statement of Administration Policy is available at this time. <u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: No CBO score was available at press time, but the only costs associated with naming U.S. federal buildings are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affect the federal budget.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: According to the sponsor, "Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: Article I, Section 8, Clause 18. The Congress shall have Power *** To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by the Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof. Read the statement here.

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H. R. 4360 – To designate the facility of the United States Forest Service for the Grandfather Ranger District located at 109 Lawing Drive in Nebo, North Carolina, as the "Jason Crisp Forest Service Building." (Rep. Meadows, R-NC)

<u>Order of Business</u>: <u>H. R. 4360</u> is scheduled to be considered on June 17, 2014, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires a two-thirds majority for passage.

<u>Summary</u>: This bill would designate the facility of the United States Forest Service for the Grandfather Ranger District located at 109 Lawing Drive in Nebo, North Carolina, as the "Jason Crisp Forest Service Building".

<u>Additional Information</u>: On March 12, 2014, United States Forest Service Officer <u>Jason Crisp</u> and his canine, Maros, were shot and killed in Burke County, North Carolina, while participating in the manhunt for a subject who had committed two murders. Officer Crisp had served with the United States Forest Service for 16 years.

<u>Committee Action</u>: The bill was referred to the House Committee on Agriculture on April 1, 2014, and to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Energy, and Forestry on April 22, 2014.

<u>Administration Position</u>: No Statement of Administration Policy is available.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers:</u> No CBO score was available at press time, but the only costs associated with naming U.S. federal buildings and post offices are those for sign and map changes, none of which significantly affect the federal budget

Does the Bill Expand the Size and Scope of the Federal Government?: No.

<u>Does the Bill Contain Any New State-Government, Local-Government, or Private-Sector Mandates?</u>: No

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1: Congress shall have Power to lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence [sic] and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States.

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S.Con.Res. 37 - Authorizing the use of the rotunda of the United States Capitol in Commemoration of the award of the Shimon Peres Congressional Gold Medal— (Ayotte-R, NH)

<u>Order of Business</u>: <u>S.Con.Res.37</u> is scheduled to be considered on June 17, 2014, under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, which requires a two-thirds majority for passage.

Summary: This bill would authorize the use of the rotunda of the United States Capitol on June 26, 2014, for the commemorations for the award of the Congressional Gold medal to Shimon Peres.

Additional Background: Shimon Peres is the ninth and current President of the State of Israel. In addition, he has served twice as the Prime Minister of Israel and twice as the Interim Prime Minister. In 1994, he was awarded the Nobel Peace prize for his position in negotiating the Oslo Accords between the Palestinians and the Israelis.

<u>Committee Action</u>: This resolution was introduced by Senator Kelly Ayotte on June 11, 2014, where it was considered and agreed to by unanimous consent. It was then received in the House and referred to the House Committee on House Administration where it awaits further action.

Administration Position: No Statement of Administration Policy is available at this time.

<u>Cost to Taxpayers</u>: No Congressional Budget Office cost estimate is available.

<u>Constitutional Authority</u>: House Concurrent Resolutions are not required to include a Constitutional Authority Statement.

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