

Public Law 110–41
110th Congress

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.

June 29, 2007

[H.R. 692]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

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

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of 2007.
4 USC 1 note.
4 USC 7 note.

SEC. 2. FINDING.

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

SEC. 3. PROCEDURE FOR NATIONAL FLAG TO BE FLOWN AT HALF-STAFF IN THE EVENT OF THE DEATH OF A MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES.

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

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

(2) by inserting before the period the following: “, and the same authority is provided to the Mayor of the District of Columbia with respect to present or former officials of the District of Columbia and members of the Armed Forces from the District of Columbia”.

(b) **FEDERAL FACILITY CONSISTENCY WITH PROCLAMATION.**—Such subsection is further amended by inserting after the sixth sentence the following new sentence: “When the Governor of a State, territory, or possession, or the Mayor of the District of Columbia, issues a proclamation under the preceding sentence that the National flag be flown at half-staff in that State, territory, or possession or in the District of Columbia because of the death of a member of the Armed Forces, the National flag flown at any Federal installation or facility in the area covered by that

proclamation shall be flown at half-staff consistent with that proclamation.”.

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