

114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 979

AN ACT

To designate a mountain in the John Muir Wilderness of
the Sierra National Forest as “Sky Point”.

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

1 **SECTION 1. FINDINGS.**

2 Congress finds the following:

3 (1) Staff Sergeant Sky Mote, USMC, grew up
4 in El Dorado, California.

5 (2) Staff Sergeant Mote graduated from Union
6 Mine High School.

7 (3) Upon graduation, Staff Sergeant Mote
8 promptly enlisted in the Marine Corps.

9 (4) Staff Sergeant Mote spent 9 years serving
10 his country in the United States Marine Corps, in-
11 cluding a deployment to Iraq and two deployments
12 to Afghanistan.

13 (5) By his decisive actions, heroic initiative, and
14 resolute dedication to duty, Staff Sergeant Mote
15 gave his life to protect fellow Marines on August 10,
16 2012, by gallantly rushing into action during an at-
17 tack by a rogue Afghan policeman inside the base
18 perimeter in Helmand province.

19 (6) Staff Sergeant Mote was awarded the Navy
20 Cross, a Purple Heart, the Navy-Marine Corps Com-
21 mendation Medal, a Navy-Marine Corps Achieve-
22 ment Medal, two Combat Action Ribbons, and three
23 Good Conduct Medals.

24 (7) The Congress of the United States, in ac-
25 knowledgment of this debt that cannot be repaid,
26 honors Staff Sergeant Mote for his ultimate sacrifice

1 and recognizes his service to his country, faithfully
2 executed to his last, full measure of devotion.

3 (8) A presently unnamed peak in the center of
4 Humphrey Basin holds special meaning to the
5 friends and family of Sky Mote, as their annual
6 hunting trips set up camp beneath this point; under
7 the stars, the memories made beneath this rounded
8 peak will be cherished forever.

9 **SEC. 2. SKY POINT.**

10 (a) DESIGNATION.—The mountain in the John Muir
11 Wilderness of the Sierra National Forest in California, lo-
12 cated at 37°15′16.10091″N 118°43′39.54102″W, shall be
13 known and designated as “Sky Point”.

14 (b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, reg-
15 ulation, document, record, or other paper of the United
16 States to the mountain described in subsection (a) shall
17 be considered to be a reference to “Sky Point”.

Passed the House of Representatives June 1, 2015.

Attest:

Clerk.

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