

115TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 5039

To designate the National Airmail Museum at Smith Air Field in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 15, 2018

Mr. BANKS of Indiana (for himself and Mr. ROKITA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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## A BILL

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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 “National Airmail Mu-  
5 seum Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds that—

8 (1) in 1930, commercial airmail carriers began  
9 operations at Smith Field in Fort Wayne, Indiana;

1           (2) the United States lacks a national museum  
2 dedicated to airmail; and

3           (3) the airmail hangar at Smith Field in Fort  
4 Wayne, Indiana—

5           (A) will educate the public on the role of  
6 airmail in aviation history; and

7           (B) honor the role of the hangar in the  
8 history of the Nation’s airmail service.

9 **SEC. 3. DESIGNATION.**

10       (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The airmail museum located at  
11 the Smith Field in Fort Wayne, Indiana, is designated as  
12 the “National Airmail Museum”.

13       (b) **EFFECT OF DESIGNATION.**—The national mu-  
14 seum designated by this section is not a unit of the Na-  
15 tional Park System and the designation of the National  
16 Airmail Museum shall not require or permit Federal funds  
17 to be expended for any purpose related to that national  
18 memorial.

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