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H. R. 5237

To amend title 36, United States Code, to designate a flag as the Purple Heart Flag.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HIGGINS of New York introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Purple Heart Flag
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF PURPLE HEART FLAG.**

7 (a) DESIGNATION.—Chapter 9 of title 36, United
8 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
9 lowing new section:

1 **“§ 904. Purple Heart Flag**

2 “(a) DESIGNATION.—A flag that features the seal of
3 the Military Order of the Purple Heart (adopted under
4 section 140505 of this title) centered on a purple field is
5 designated as the Purple Heart Flag.

6 “(b) PUBLIC DISPLAY REQUIRED.—The Purple
7 Heart Flag shall be displayed in a manner visible to the
8 public—

9 “(1) on days including those specified in sub-
10 section (c); and

11 “(2) at locations including those specified in
12 subsection (d).

13 “(c) DAYS FOR DISPLAY.—The days specified in this
14 subsection are the following:

15 “(1) Armed Forces Day, the third Saturday in
16 May.

17 “(2) Memorial Day, the last Monday in May.

18 “(3) Flag Day, June 14.

19 “(4) National POW/MIA Recognition Day.

20 “(5) Veterans Day, November 11.

21 “(d) LOCATIONS FOR DISPLAY.—The locations speci-
22 fied in this subsection are the following:

23 “(1) The World War II Memorial, the Korean
24 War Veterans Memorial, and the Vietnam Veterans
25 Memorial.

26 “(2) Each national cemetery.

1 “(3) The buildings containing the official office
2 of—

3 “(A) the Secretary of State;

4 “(B) the Secretary of Defense;

5 “(C) the Secretary of Veterans Affairs;

6 and

7 “(D) the Director of the Selective Service
8 System.

9 “(4) Each medical center of the Department of
10 Veterans Affairs.”.

11 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
12 at the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding
13 at the end the following new item:

“904. Purple Heart Flag.”.

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