

117TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 5066

AN ACT

To designate Mount Young in the State of Alaska, and
for other purposes.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Don Young Recogni-
3 tion Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

5 Congress finds that—

6 (1) on June 9, 1933, Donald Edwin Young was
7 born to James Young and Nora (Bucy) Young in
8 Meridian, California;

9 (2) Don Young earned—

10 (A) an associate degree from Yuba Junior
11 College; and

12 (B) a bachelor’s degree in teaching from
13 Chico State University;

14 (3) from 1955 to 1957, Don Young began dec-
15 ades of service to the United States when he served
16 in the Army as part of the 41st Tank Battalion;

17 (4) in 1959, Don Young moved to Alaska and
18 found his true home in the village of Fort Yukon,
19 which is located 7 miles above the Arctic Circle;

20 (5) Don Young met and married the first love
21 of his life, Lula “Lu” Young, in Fort Yukon;

22 (6) Don and Lu Young had—

23 (A) 2 wonderful daughters, Joni and Dawn
24 (Sister); and

25 (B) 14 grandchildren;

26 (7) Don Young—

1 (A) taught fifth grade at a school run by
 2 the Bureau of Indian Affairs during the winter;
 3 and

4 (B) during the warmer months, worked—

5 (i) in construction, mining, fishing,
 6 and trapping; and

7 (ii) as a tugboat captain;

8 (8) Don Young—

9 (A) was elected mayor of Fort Yukon in
 10 1964; and

11 (B) served as mayor of Fort Yukon until
 12 1967;

13 (9) Don Young was elected to and served in—

14 (A) the Alaska House of Representatives
 15 from 1967 to 1970; and

16 (B) the Alaska State Senate from 1970 to
 17 1973;

18 (10) Don Young—

19 (A) was elected to the House of Represent-
 20 atives in 1973 in a special election; and

21 (B) served 24 additional consecutive terms
 22 in the House of Representatives;

23 (11) Representative Don Young served as—

1 (A) the Chair of the Committee on Natural
2 Resources of the House of Representatives from
3 1995 to 2001; and

4 (B) the Chair of Committee on Transpor-
5 tation and Infrastructure of the House of Rep-
6 resentatives from 2001 to 2007;

7 (12) Representative Don Young was a cham-
8 pion for Alaska Natives, including as Chair of the
9 Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native
10 Affairs of the Committee on Natural Resources of
11 the House of Representatives;

12 (13) Representative Don Young—

13 (A) fiercely defended Alaska and Alaskans
14 as the sole Representative for the largest State
15 in the United States; and

16 (B) devoted himself to fulfilling the im-
17 mense promise of his home State;

18 (14) Representative Don Young was a leader in
19 strengthening the role of Alaska in providing for the
20 national defense of the United States through his—

21 (A) support for—

22 (i) the Coast Guard;

23 (ii) the Alaskan Command; and

24 (iii) the ballistic missile defense; and

1 (B) steadfast commitment to the leader-
2 ship of the United States in the Arctic;

3 (15) Representative Don Young—

4 (A) sponsored not fewer than 85 bills that
5 were enacted into Federal law; and

6 (B) sponsored and cosponsored many more
7 measures that were part of broader legislation;

8 (16) legislative achievements by Representative
9 Don Young span the policy spectrum, from author-
10 izing the construction of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline
11 System to important amendments and the Alaska
12 Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 et
13 seq.);

14 (17) Representative Don Young authored and
15 advocated for generational laws, including—

16 (A) the Indian Self-Determination and
17 Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5301 et
18 seq.) in 1975;

19 (B) the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Con-
20 servation and Management Act (16 U.S.C.
21 1801 et seq.) in 1976;

22 (C) the National Wildlife Refuge System
23 Improvement Act of 1997 (Public Law 105–57;
24 111 Stat. 1252) in 1997;

1 (D) SAFETEA-LU (Public Law 109–59;
2 119 Stat. 1144) in 2005;

3 (E) the Multinational Species Conservation
4 Funds Reauthorization Act of 2007 (Public
5 Law 110–132; 121 Stat. 1360) in 2007; and

6 (F) the Infrastructure Investment and
7 Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58; 135 Stat. 429)
8 in 2021;

9 (18) Representative Don Young—

10 (A) formed strong relationships and friend-
11 ships with Members of Congress on both sides
12 of the aisle; and

13 (B) proudly worked with 10 different
14 Presidents;

15 (19) in 2015, Representative Don Young mar-
16 ried his second love, Anne Garland Walton, in the
17 United States Capitol;

18 (20) on December 5, 2017, Representative Don
19 Young became the 45th Dean of the House of Rep-
20 resentatives, reflecting his status as the most senior
21 Member of the House of Representatives;

22 (21) Representative Don Young was the long-
23 est-serving Republican in the history of Congress;
24 and

1 (22) Representative Don Young ultimately
 2 served the 49th State with dedication and distinction
 3 for 49 years and 13 days, which is more than $\frac{3}{4}$ of
 4 the period during which Alaska has been a State.

5 **SEC. 3. DESIGNATION OF MOUNT YOUNG, ALASKA.**

6 (a) DESIGNATION.—Not later than 30 days after the
 7 date of enactment of this Act, the Board on Geographic
 8 Names shall designate the 2,598-foot volcanic peak known
 9 as “Mount Cerberus” located at 51.93569°N,
 10 179.5848°E, on Semisopchnoi Island in the State of
 11 Alaska as “Mount Young”.

12 (b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, reg-
 13 ulation, document, paper, or other record of the United
 14 States to the mountain peak described in subsection (a)
 15 shall be deemed to be a reference to “Mount Young”.

16 **SEC. 4. DESIGNATION OF DON YOUNG ALASKA JOB CORPS**
 17 **CENTER.**

18 (a) DESIGNATION.—The Job Corps center located at
 19 800 East Lynn Martin Drive in Palmer, Alaska, shall be
 20 known and designated as the “Don Young Alaska Job
 21 Corps Center”.

22 (b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, reg-
 23 ulation, document, paper, or other record of the United
 24 States to the Job Corps center described in subsection (a)

1 shall be deemed to be a reference to the “Don Young Alas-
 2 ka Job Corps Center”.

3 **SEC. 5. DESIGNATION OF DON YOUNG FEDERAL OFFICE**
 4 **BUILDING.**

5 (a) DESIGNATION.—The Federal office building lo-
 6 cated at 101 12th Avenue in Fairbanks, Alaska, shall be
 7 known and designated as the “Don Young Federal Office
 8 Building”.

9 (b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, reg-
 10 ulation, document, paper, or other record of the United
 11 States to the Federal office building described in sub-
 12 section (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the “Don
 13 Young Federal Office Building”.

Passed the Senate December 12, 2022.

Attest:

Secretary.

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