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ARIEL RIOS FEDERAL BUILDING

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Mr. SHUSTER, from the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H.R. 4957]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 4957) to designate the Federal building located at 99 New York Avenue, N.E., in the District of Columbia as the “Ariel Rios Federal Building”, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

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PURPOSE OF LEGISLATION

H.R. 4957 designates the Federal building located at 99 New York Avenue, N.E., in the District of Columbia as the “Ariel Rios Federal Building”.

BACKGROUND AND NEED FOR LEGISLATION

H.R. 4957 designates the Federal building located at 99 New York Avenue, N.E., in the District of Columbia as the “Ariel Rios Federal Building”.

Special Agent Ariel Rios was born in New York, NY, in 1954. He joined the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) in 1978. He was one of the most effective agents assigned to then-Vice President George H.W. Bush’s Task Force.

Special Agent Rios worked as an undercover agent as part of the Task Force. In 1982, he and another agent arranged to meet two suspects at the Hurricane Motel in Miami, Florida to purchase large quantities of drugs and machine guns. A confrontation ensued and in a struggle, Special Agent Rios was shot and seriously wounded. He died shortly after in the hospital on December 2, 1982.

Special Agent Rios received a number of posthumous awards including the Secretary of the Treasury’s Exceptional Service Award and a Meritorious Service Award from the Dade County Chiefs of Police Association.

In 1985, Congress designated the ATF headquarters building at 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW as the Ariel Rios Memorial Federal Building in P.L. 99–190. For nearly 30 years, the original ATF headquarters building bore the name of Ariel Rios.

In the wake of the Oklahoma City bombing, it was determined that a new, more secure ATF headquarters was necessary. Shortly thereafter, Congress approved the construction of a new ATF headquarters at 99 New York Avenue NE. After the ATF vacated 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, the building was repurposed as the headquarters for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Congress renamed the EPA headquarters building as the William Jefferson Clinton Building in P.L. 112–237. However, the designation in honor of Ariel Rios was not transferred to the new ATF Headquarters building. This legislation will rectify that omission. This bill is supported by the ATF Association, the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association, the Association of Former Custom Service Agents, and the Association of Former Agents of the U.S. Secret Service.

HEARINGS

No hearings were held on H.R. 4957.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY AND CONSIDERATION

On April 15, 2016, Representative André Carson (D–IN) introduced H.R. 4957, a bill to designate the Federal building located at 99 New York Avenue, N.E., in the District of Columbia as the “Ariel Rios Federal Building”.

On April 20, 2016 the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure met in open session. The Committee ordered the bill reported favorably to the House by voice vote with a quorum present.
COMMITTEE VOTES

Clause 3(b) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives requires each committee report to include the total number of votes cast for and against on each record vote on a motion to report and on any amendment offered to the measure or matter, and the names of those members voting for and against. There were no record votes taken in connection with consideration of H.R. 4957.

COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT FINDINGS

With respect to the requirements of clause 3(c)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee’s oversight findings and recommendations are reflected in this report.

NEW BUDGET AUTHORITY AND TAX EXPENDITURES

Clause 3(c)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives does not apply where a cost estimate and comparison prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office under section 402 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 has been timely submitted prior to the filing of the report and is included in the report. Such a cost estimate is included in this report.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(3) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 402 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee has received the enclosed cost estimate for H.R. 4957 from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office:

U.S. CONGRESS,
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,
Washington, DC, April 28, 2016.

Hon. Bill Shuster,
Chairman, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has reviewed H.R. 4957, a bill to designate the federal building located at 99 New York Avenue, N.E., in the District of Columbia as the “Ariel Rios Federal Building,” as ordered reported by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on April 20, 2016.

CBO estimates that enacting this legislation would have no significant impact on the federal budget and would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply. CBO estimates that enacting the legislation would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in one or more of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2027.

The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Matthew Pickford.

Sincerely

Keith Hall.
PERFORMANCE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(4) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the performance goal and objective of this legislation is to designate the Federal building located at 99 New York Avenue, N.E., in the District of Columbia as the “Ariel Rios Federal Building”.

ADVISORY OF EARMARKS

Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee is required to include a list of congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in clause 9(e), 9(f), and 9(g) of rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives. No provision in the bill includes an earmark, limited tax benefit, or limited tariff benefit under clause 9(e), 9(f), or 9(g) of rule XXI.

DUPLICATION OF FEDERAL PROGRAMS

Pursuant to section 3(g) of H. Res. 5, 114th Cong. (2015), the Committee finds that no provision of H.R. 4957 establishes or reauthorizes a program of the federal government known to be duplicative of another federal program, a program that was included in any report from the Government Accountability Office to Congress pursuant to section 21 of Public Law 111–139, or a program related to a program identified in the most recent Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance.

DISCLOSURE OF DIRECTED RULE MAKINGS

Pursuant to section 3(i) of H. Res. 5, 114th Cong. (2015), the Committee finds that enacting H.R. 4957 does not direct the completion of a specific rule making within the meaning of section 551 of title 5, United States Code.

FEDERAL MANDATE STATEMENT

The Committee adopts as its own the estimate of federal mandates prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office pursuant to section 423 of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (Public Law 104–4).

PREEMPTION CLARIFICATION

Section 423 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 requires the report of any Committee on a bill or joint resolution to include a statement on the extent to which the bill or joint resolution is intended to preempt state, local, or tribal law. The Committee states that H.R. 4957 does not preempt any state, local, or tribal law.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE STATEMENT

No advisory committees within the meaning of section 5(b) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act are created by this legislation.

APPLICABILITY OF LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

The Committee finds that the legislation does not relate to the terms and conditions of employment or access to public services or
Section 1 Designation

Section 1 designates the Federal building located at 99 New York Avenue, N.E., in the District of Columbia as the “Ariel Rios Federal Building”.

Section 2 References

Section 2 deems any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the Federal building referred to in section 1 as a reference to the “Ariel Rios Federal Building”.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW MADE BY THE BILL, AS REPORTED

H.R. 4957 makes no changes in existing law.