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H. R. 4014

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 5, 1998

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska (for himself, Mr. HANSEN, Mr. Cox of California, and Mr. BARR of Georgia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Ronald Reagan Na-
3 tional Airport Preservation and Protection Act of 1998”.

4 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

5 The Congress finds that—

6 (1) Ronald Reagan is an American hero deserv-
7 ing of recognition;

8 (2) the will of the Congress to honor President
9 Reagan was clearly expressed when both Houses
10 overwhelmingly passed legislation changing the name
11 of “Washington National Airport” to “Ronald
12 Reagan Washington National Airport” on February
13 4, 1998;

14 (3) the will of President Clinton to honor Presi-
15 dent Ronald Reagan was clearly expressed when he
16 signed such legislation into law on February 6,
17 1998, the 87th birthday of President Reagan; and

18 (4) notwithstanding the fact that the will of the
19 Congress and the President had been clearly ex-
20 pressed through passage of such legislation and
21 signing such legislation into law, the National Park
22 Service (NPS) has recently announced that it in-
23 tends to erect new signs on the George Washington
24 Memorial Parkway directing motorists to Ronald
25 Reagan National Airport that omit Ronald Reagan’s
26 name.

1 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITION OF SIGNS OMITTING RONALD REA-**
2 **GAN'S NAME.**

3 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
4 Director of the National Park Service—

5 (1) shall not erect any new signs on, near, or
6 adjacent to the George Washington Memorial Park-
7 way in Northern Virginia, Maryland, the District of
8 Columbia, or elsewhere, displaying the name, “Na-
9 tional Airport”, but omitting the name “Ronald
10 Reagan”;

11 (2) shall, on or before August 5, 1998, replace
12 all signs on, near, or adjacent to the George Wash-
13 ington Memorial Parkway in Northern Virginia,
14 Maryland, the District of Columbia, or elsewhere,
15 displaying the name “National Airport” with signs
16 prominently displaying the name “Ronald Reagan
17 National Airport”; and

18 (3) shall fund the replacement pursuant to sub-
19 section (2) of any signs that had been erected after
20 February 4, 1998, entirely out of the budget of the
21 Director of the National Park Service.

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