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H. R. 4005

To amend title 36, United States Code, to recognize a flag to be known as the National Veterans Flag as the symbol of the Nation's admiration, respect, and appreciation for the veterans of service in the Armed Forces of the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 16, 2000

Mr. BROWN of Ohio 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. NATIONAL VETERANS FLAG.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 9 of title 36, United
5 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
6 lowing new section:

1 **“§ 905. National Veterans Flag**

2 “(a) DESIGNATION.—The flag conceived and de-
3 signed by Gregory J. Sanders, of Lorain, Ohio, and dis-
4 tributed by American Veteran Pride, Inc., a corporation
5 operating under the laws of the State of Ohio, is recog-
6 nized as the ‘National Veterans Flag’ and, as such, is des-
7 ignated as the symbol of the Nation’s admiration, respect,
8 and appreciation for the veterans of service in the Armed
9 Forces of the United States.

10 “(b) REQUIRED DISPLAY.—The National Veterans
11 Flag shall be displayed at the locations specified in sub-
12 section (d) on National Veterans Flag display days. The
13 display serves—

14 “(1) as a symbol of the Nation’s admiration, re-
15 spect, and gratitude for veterans who served in the
16 Armed Forces; and

17 “(2) as a symbol of the Nation’s admiration, re-
18 spect, and gratitude for those who in the future will
19 serve in the Nation’s Armed Forces.

20 “(c) DAYS FOR THE NATIONAL VETERANS FLAG
21 DISPLAY.—For purposes of this section, National Vet-
22 erans Flag display days are the following:

23 “(1) Armed Forces Day, the third Saturday in
24 May.

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

26 “(3) Flag Day, June 14.

1 “(4) Independence Day, July 4.

2 “(5) Veterans Day, November 11.

3 “(6) For each location specified in subsection
4 (d), any other day on which the flag of the United
5 States is displayed at that location.

6 “(d) LOCATIONS FOR NATIONAL VETERANS FLAG
7 DISPLAY.—The locations for the display of the National
8 Veterans Flag under subsection (b) are the following:

9 “(1) The grounds of the building containing the
10 official office of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

11 “(2) Each medical center of the Department of
12 Veterans Affairs.

13 “(3) Each national cemetery.

14 “(e) DISPLAY TO BE IN A MANNER VISIBLE TO THE
15 PUBLIC.—Display of the National Veterans Flag pursuant
16 to this section shall be in a manner designed to ensure
17 visibility to the public.

18 “(f) LIMITATION.—This section may not be con-
19 strued or applied so as to require any employee to report
20 to work solely for the purpose of providing for the display
21 of the National Veterans Flag.”.

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

“905. National Veterans Flag.”.

1 (c) INITIAL PROCUREMENT OF FLAGS.—The Admin-
2 istrator of the General Services Administration shall pro-
3 cure and distribute flags for the purposes of section 905
4 of title 36, United States Code, not later than 90 days
5 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

