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H. R. 248

To provide Capitol-flown flags to the families of deceased law enforcement officers.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 7, 2009

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas 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 “Law Enforcement Offi-
5 cers Flag Memorial Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. CAPITOL-FLOWN FLAGS FOR FAMILIES OF DE-**
7 **CEASED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.**

8 (a) **AUTHORITY.**—

9 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—The family of a deceased law
10 enforcement officer may request, and the Attorney

1 General shall provide to such family, a Capitol-flown
2 flag, which shall be supplied to the Attorney General
3 by the Architect of the Capitol. The family shall pay
4 the cost of such flag, including shipping.

5 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Paragraph (1) shall
6 take effect on the date on which the Attorney Gen-
7 eral establishes the procedure required by subsection
8 (b).

9 (b) PROCEDURE.—Not later than 180 days after the
10 date of enactment of this Act, the Attorney General shall
11 establish a procedure (including any appropriate forms)
12 by which the family of a deceased law enforcement officer
13 may request, and provide sufficient information to deter-
14 mine such officer’s eligibility for, a Capitol-flown flag.

15 (c) APPLICABILITY.—This Act shall only apply to a
16 deceased law enforcement officer who died on or after the
17 date of enactment of this Act.

18 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act—

19 (1) the term “Capitol-flown flag” means a
20 United States flag flown over the United States
21 Capitol in honor of the deceased law enforcement of-
22 ficer for whom such flag is requested; and

23 (2) the term “deceased law enforcement officer”
24 means a person who was charged with protecting
25 public safety, who was authorized to make arrests by

1 a Federal, State, or local law enforcement agency,
2 and who died while employed by such an agency or
3 after retiring in good standing from such an agency.

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