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Reported by Ms. MURKOWSKI, without amendment

AN ACT

To designate certain mountain peaks in the State of Colorado as “Fowler Peak” and “Boskoff Peak”.

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 “Fowler and Boskoff
5 Peaks Designation Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds that—

8 (1) Charlie Fowler was—

(A) one of the most experienced mountain climbers in North America, having successfully climbed many of the highest peaks in the world;

(B) an author, guide, filmmaker, photographer, and wilderness advocate;

(C) the recipient of the 2004 Robert and Miriam Underhill Award from the American Alpine Club, an award that—

(i) honors outstanding mountaineering

achievement; and

(ii) is awarded annually to climbers who have “demonstrated the highest level of skill in mountaineering and who, through the application of this skill, courage, and perseverance, have achieved outstanding success in the various fields of mountaineering”; and

(D) a summiter of several 8,000-meter peaks, specifically—

(i) Everest;

(ii) Cho Oyu; and

(iii) Shishapangma;

(2) Christine Boskoff—

(A) was one of the leading female alpinists in the United States, having climbed 6 of the

1 14 mountain peaks in the world that are higher
2 than 8,000 meters, specifically—

- 3 (i) Everest;
4 (ii) Cho Oyu;
5 (iii) Gasherbrum II;
6 (iv) Lhotse;
7 (v) Shishapangma; and
8 (vi) Broad Peak;

9 (B) gave countless hours to nonprofit orga-
10 nizations that supported—

- 11 (i) the rights of porters and Sherpas;
12 (ii) the education of women; and
13 (iii) global literacy and gender equal-
14 ity; and

15 (C) was recognized by the education com-
16 munities in the United States and Nepal as a
17 role model for students;

18 (3) Charlie Fowler and Christine Boskoff were
19 long-time residents of San Miguel County, Colorado,
20 and champions for Colorado's pristine backcountry;

21 (4) Charlie Fowler and Christine Boskoff died
22 in an avalanche in November 2006 while attempting
23 to summit Genyen Peak in Tibet;

24 (5) 2 unnamed 13,000-foot peaks located west
25 of Wilson Peak on the boundary of San Miguel and

1 Dolores Counties, Colorado, offer spectacular rec-
2 reational climbing and hiking opportunities; and

3 (6) the local community in the vicinity of the
4 peaks described in paragraph (5) and fellow climbers
5 propose to honor and commemorate Charlie Fowler
6 and Christine Boskoff by naming the peaks after
7 Charlie Fowler and Christine Boskoff.

8 **SEC. 3. DESIGNATION OF FOWLER PEAK AND BOSKOFF
9 PEAK, COLORADO.**

10 (a) DESIGNATION OF FOWLER PEAK.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—The 13,498-foot mountain
12 peak, located at 37.8569° N, by –108.0117° W, in
13 the Uncompahgre National Forest in the State of
14 Colorado, shall be known and designated as “Fowler
15 Peak”.

16 (2) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law,
17 map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of
18 the United States to the peak described in para-
19 graph (1) shall be deemed to be a reference to
20 “Fowler Peak”.

21 (b) DESIGNATION OF BOSKOFF PEAK.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—The 13,123-foot mountain
23 peak, located at 37.85549° N, by –108.03112° W,
24 in the Uncompahgre National Forest in the State of

1 Colorado, shall be known and designated as
2 “Boskoff Peak”.

3 (2) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law,
4 map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of
5 the United States to the peak described in para-
6 graph (1) shall be deemed to be a reference to
7 “Boskoff Peak”.

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