

Public Law 118–139
118th Congress

An Act

To designate the Air and Marine Operations Marine Unit of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection located at 101 Km 18.5 in Cabo Rojo, Puerto Rico, as the “Michel O. Maceda Marine Unit”.

Dec. 11, 2024
[H.R. 5302]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Michel O. Maceda Memorial Act”.

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SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds the following:

(1) Marine Interdiction Agent Michel O. Maceda served honorably in the United States Army as a wheeled vehicle mechanic prior to joining the United States Border Patrol as an Agent in Douglas, Arizona, in April 2016.

(2) Agent Maceda became a Marine Interdiction Agent with U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Air and Marine Operations in Mayagüez, Puerto Rico, in 2021.

(3) On November 17, 2022, Agent Maceda and 2 other agents were conducting a drug interdiction stop off the coast of Puerto Rico, during which the agents boarded the target vessel.

(4) During the stop, Agent Maceda was mortally wounded when 1 of the occupants of the vessel shot the boarding agents with a firearm.

(5) Agent Maceda is survived by his daughter, brother, and parents.

SEC. 3. DESIGNATION.

The Air and Marine Operations Marine Unit of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection located at 101 Km 18.5 in Cabo Rojo, Puerto Rico, shall forever be known and designated as the “Michel O. Maceda Marine Unit”.

SEC. 4. REFERENCES.

Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the marine unit referred

to in section 3 shall be deemed to be a reference to the “Michel O. Maceda Marine Unit”.

Approved December 11, 2024.

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