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[Report No. 115-291]

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

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 30, 2017

Mr. TIPTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

A BILL

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—

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

12 (B) an author, guide, filmmaker, photog-
13 rapher, and wilderness advocate;

14 (C) the recipient of the 2004 Robert and
15 Miriam Underhill Award from the American Al-
16 pine Club, an award that—

17 (i) honors outstanding mountaineering
18 achievement; and

19 (ii) is awarded annually to climbers
20 who have “demonstrated the highest level
21 of skill in mountaineering and who,
22 through the application of this skill, cour-
23 age, and perseverance, have achieved out-
24 standing success in the various fields of
25 mountaineering”; and

1 (D) a summitter of several 8,000-meter
2 peaks, specifically—

- 3 (i) Everest;
- 4 (ii) Cho Oyu; and
- 5 (iii) Shishapangma;

6 (2) Christine Boskoff—

7 (A) was one of the leading female alpinists
8 in the United States, having climbed 6 of the
9 14 mountain peaks in the world that are higher
10 than 8,000 meters, specifically—

- 11 (i) Everest;
- 12 (ii) Cho Oyu;
- 13 (iii) Gasherbrum II;
- 14 (iv) Lhotse;
- 15 (v) Shishapangma; and
- 16 (vi) Broad Peak;

17 (B) gave countless hours to nonprofit orga-
18 nizations that supported—

- 19 (i) the rights of porters and Sherpas;
- 20 (ii) the education of women; and
- 21 (iii) global literacy and gender equal-
22 ity; and

23 (C) was recognized by the education com-
24 munities in the United States and Nepal as a
25 role model for students;

1 (3) Charlie Fowler and Christine Boskoff were
2 long-time residents of San Miguel County, Colorado,
3 and champions for Colorado’s pristine backcountry;

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

7 (5) 2 unnamed 13,000-foot peaks located west
8 of Wilson Peak on the boundary of San Miguel and
9 Dolores Counties, Colorado, offer spectacular rec-
10 reational climbing and hiking opportunities; and

11 (6) the local community in the vicinity of the
12 peaks described in paragraph (5) and fellow climbers
13 propose to honor and commemorate Charlie Fowler
14 and Christine Boskoff by naming the peaks after
15 Charlie Fowler and Christine Boskoff.

16 **SEC. 3. DESIGNATION OF FOWLER PEAK AND BOSKOFF**
17 **PEAK, COLORADO.**

18 (a) DESIGNATION OF FOWLER PEAK.—

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

24 (2) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law,
25 map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of

1 the United States to the peak described in para-
2 graph (1) shall be deemed to be a reference to
3 “Fowler Peak”.

4 (b) DESIGNATION OF BOSKOFF PEAK.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—The 13,123-foot mountain
6 peak, located at 37.85549° N, by -108.03112° W,
7 in the Uncompahgre National Forest in the State of
8 Colorado, shall be known and designated as
9 “Boskoff Peak”.

10 (2) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law,
11 map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of
12 the United States to the peak described in para-
13 graph (1) shall be deemed to be a reference to
14 “Boskoff Peak”.

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