



## **Fact Sheet: H.R. 2611 – A bill to designate the United States Coast Guard Headquarters the “Douglas A. Munro Coast Guard Headquarters Building”**

### **Background**

- H.R. 2611 would name the future United States Coast Guard headquarters at the St. Elizabeths complex in Washington, D.C. after Douglas Albert Munro, the only member of the U.S. Coast Guard to receive the Medal of Honor.
- Munro (October 11, 1919 – September 27, 1942) was born in Vancouver, British Columbia and moved to Vancouver, Washington shortly after his birth. He became a U.S. citizen in 1922. He attended Central Washington College of Education in 1938 before enlisting in the U.S. Coast Guard the following year. Munro was promoted to Signalman, First Class while serving in WWII. Munro was awarded the Medal of Honor for his heroics in the Second Battle of Matanikau, in which he shielded 500 Marines during their evacuation.

### **Summary**

- H.R. 2611 was introduced by Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC) on July 8, 2013. It is co-sponsored by Rep. Duncan Hunter (R-CA), Rep. John Garamendi (D-CA), and Rep. Lou Barletta (R-PA).
- H.R. 2611 would name the future United States Coast Guard headquarters the “Douglas A. Munro Coast Guard Headquarters Building”.

### **Committee Action**

None.

### **Amendments**

No amendments expected.

### **Statement of Administration Policy**

None.

### **Subcommittee Staff Contact and Phone Number**

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