Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H.R. 310, with an amendment

(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a new text)

117TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R.310

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 13, 2021

Mr. Lynch (for himself and Mr. Mast) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

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. FINDINGS.
- 4 Congress makes the following findings:

1	(1) On September 11, 2012, the United States
2	consulate, and its personnel in Benghazi, Libya,
3	were attacked by militants.
4	(2) Four Americans were killed in the attack,
5	including Ambassador J. Christopher Stevens, Sean
6	Smith, Glen Doherty, and Tyrone Woods.
7	(3) Glen Doherty and Tyrone Woods were
8	former Navy SEALs who served as security per-
9	sonnel in Libya. As the attack unfolded, they bravely
10	attempted to defend American property and protect
11	United States diplomatic personnel. In so doing,
12	they selflessly sacrificed their own lives.
13	(4) Glen Doherty was a Navy SEAL for 12
14	years and served in Iraq and Afghanistan. He at-
15	tained the rank of Petty Officer First Class and
16	earned the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation
17	Medal. After leaving the Navy, Glen Doherty worked
18	with the Department of State to protect American
19	diplomats.
20	(5) Tyrone Woods served for 20 years as a
21	Navy SEAL including tours in Iraq and Afghani-
22	stan. In Iraq he led multiple raids and reconnais-
23	sance missions and earned the Bronze Star. After
24	retiring from the Navy as a Senior Chief Petty Offi-

1	cer, Tyrone Woods worked with the Department of
2	State to protect American diplomats.
3	(6) J. Christopher Stevens served for 21 years
4	in the U.S. Foreign Service. He was serving as U.S.
5	Ambassador to Libya and previously served twice in
6	the country, as both Special Representative to the
7	Libyan Transitional National Council and as the
8	Deputy Chief of Mission. Earlier in his life, he also
9	served as a Peace Corps volunteer teaching English
10	in Morocco.
11	(7) Sean Smith served for 6 years in the U.S.
12	Air Force. He attained the rank of Staff Sergeant
13	and was awarded the Air Force Commendation
14	Medal. After leaving the Air Force, Sean Smith
15	served for 10 years in the State Department on var-
16	ious assignments, which took him to places such as
17	Baghdad, Brussels, Pretoria, and The Hague.
18	(8) As their careers attest, all four men served
19	their country honorably.
20	SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL.
21	(a) AWARD AUTHORIZED.—The Speaker of the
22	House of Representatives and the President pro tempore
23	of the Senate shall make appropriate arrangements for the
24	posthumous award, on behalf of the Congress, of a single
25	gold medal of appropriate design collectively in commemo-

1	ration of Glen Doherty, Tyrone Woods, J. Christopher
2	Stevens, and Sean Smith, in recognition of their contribu-
3	tions to the Nation.
4	(b) DESIGN AND STRIKING.—For the purposes of the
5	award referred to in subsection (a), the Secretary of the
6	Treasury (hereafter in this Act referred to as the "Sec-
7	retary") shall strike the gold medal with suitable emblems,
8	devices, and inscriptions, to be determined by the Sec-
9	retary. The Secretary is authorized to create designs for
10	the medal that, if the Secretary deems it appropriate, in-
11	clude images of, and inscriptions of the names of, Glen
12	Doherty, Tyrone Woods, J. Christopher Stevens, and Sean
13	Smith.
14	(e) Central Intelligence Agency Museum.—
15	(1) In general.—Following the award of the
16	gold medal under subsection (a), the gold medal
17	shall be given to the Central Intelligence Agency
18	Museum, where it shall be displayed as appropriate
19	and made available for research.
20	(2) Sense of congress.—It is the sense of
21	Congress that the Central Intelligence Agency Mu-
22	seum should make the gold medal received under
23	paragraph (1) available for display elsewhere, par-
24	ticularly at other appropriate locations associated

- 1 with Glen Doherty, Tyrone Woods, J. Christopher
- 2 Stevens, and Sean Smith.

3 SEC. 3. DUPLICATE MEDALS.

- 4 The Secretary may strike and sell duplicates in
- 5 bronze of the gold medal struck pursuant to section 2, at
- 6 a price sufficient to cover the cost thereof, including labor,
- 7 materials, dies, use of machinery, and overhead expenses.

8 SEC. 4. STATUS OF MEDALS.

- 9 (a) National Medals.—The medals struck pursu-
- 10 ant to this Act are national medals for purposes of chapter
- 11 51 of title 31, United States Code.
- 12 (b) Numismatic Items.—For purposes of section
- 13 5134 of title 31, United States Code, all medals struck
- 14 under this Act shall be considered to be numismatic items.
- 15 SEC. 5. AUTHORITY TO USE FUND AMOUNTS; PROCEEDS OF
- 16 SALE.
- 17 (a) AUTHORITY TO USE FUND AMOUNTS.—There is
- 18 authorized to be charged against the United States Mint
- 19 Public Enterprise Fund such amounts as may be nec-
- 20 essary to pay for the costs of the medals struck under
- 21 this Act.
- 22 (b) Proceeds of Sale.—Amounts received from the
- 23 sale of duplicate bronze medals authorized under section
- 24 4 shall be deposited into the United States Mint Public
- 25 Enterprise Fund.