

118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 3181

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”, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 1, 2023

Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. PADILLA) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Michel O. Maceda Me-
5 morial Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress makes the following findings:

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

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

10 (3) On November 17, 2022, Agent Maceda and
11 2 other agents were conducting a drug interdiction
12 stop off the coast of Puerto Rico, during which the
13 agents boarded the target vessel.

14 (4) During the stop, Agent Maceda was mor-
15 tally wounded when 1 of the occupants of the vessel
16 shot the boarding agents with a firearm.

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

19 **SEC. 3. DESIGNATION.**

20 The Air and Marine Operations Marine Unit of the
21 U.S. Customs and Border Protection located at 101 Km
22 18.5 in Cabo Rojo, Puerto Rico, shall forever be known
23 and designated as the “Michel O. Maceda Marine Unit”.

1 **SEC. 4. REFERENCES.**

2 Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document,
3 paper, or other record of the United States to the marine
4 unit referred to in section 3 shall be deemed to be a ref-
5 erence to the “Michel O. Maceda Marine Unit”.

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