114TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

## S. 3386

### **AN ACT**

To amend title 36, United States Code, to designate May 1 as "Silver Star Service Banner Day".

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

#### 1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- 2 This Act may be cited as the "Silver Star Service
- 3 Banner Day Act".

#### 4 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

- 5 Congress finds the following:
- 6 (1) Congress has always honored the sacrifices 7 made by the wounded and ill members of the Armed
- 8 Forces.

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- 9 (2) The Silver Star Service Banner has come to 10 represent the members of the Armed Forces and vet-11 erans who were wounded or became ill in combat in 12 the wars fought by the United States.
  - (3) The Silver Star Families of America was formed to help the people of the United States remember the sacrifices made by the wounded and ill members of the Armed Forces by designing and manufacturing Silver Star Service Banners and Silver Star Flags for that purpose.
  - (4) The sole mission of the Silver Star Families of America is to evoke memories of the sacrifices of members of the Armed Forces and veterans on behalf of the United States through the presence of a Silver Star Service Banner in a window or a Silver Star Flag flying.

- 1 (5) The sacrifices of members of the Armed
- 2 Forces and veterans on behalf of the United States
- 3 should never be forgotten.
- 4 (6) May 1 is an appropriate date to designate
- 5 as "Silver Star Service Banner Day".
- 6 SEC. 3. DESIGNATION.
- 7 (a) In General.—Chapter 1 of title 36, United
- 8 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
- 9 lowing:
- 10 "§ 145. Silver Star Service Banner Day
- 11 "(a) Designation.—May 1 is Silver Star Service
- 12 Banner Day.
- 13 "(b) Proclamation.—The President is requested to
- 14 issue each year a proclamation calling on the people of
- 15 the United States to observe Silver Star Service Banner
- 16 Day with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activi-
- 17 ties.".
- 18 (b) Technical and Conforming Amendment.—
- 19 The table of sections for chapter 1 of title 36, United

- 1 States Code, is amended by inserting after the item relat-
- 2 ing to section 144 the following:

"145. Silver Star Service Banner Day.".

Passed the Senate November 30, 2016.

Attest:

Secretary.

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