

**AMENDMENT TO**  
**RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117-54**  
**OFFERED BY MR. BUCK OF COLORADO**

At the end of subtitle I of title V, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 5\_\_\_ . SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING SERVICE OF**  
2 **GARY ANDREW CYR.**

3 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

4 (1) On February 23, 1971, Corporal Gary An-  
5 drew Cyr was 19 years old.

6 (2) Corporal Cyr was assigned to the 10th  
7 Pathfinder Detachment in May of 1970 and served  
8 as a Special Operations Pathfinder until January  
9 1972.

10 (3) In February 1971, Corporal Cyr's Path-  
11 finder Unit was tasked with supporting Operation  
12 Dak Soo Ri 71-1, a joint operation with Korean in-  
13 fantry units.

14 (4) On February 23, 1971, Corporal Cyr was  
15 the Pathfinder air traffic controller and cargo  
16 loadmaster for four flights and twelve landing pick-  
17 up zones for the Operation, including the primary  
18 insertion point.

1           (5) This Operation involved the insertion of  
2           over 1,000 Korean soldiers from two divisions and  
3           31 sling loads of cargo transported by 35 helicopters  
4           over the course of the evening of February 23, 1971.

5           (6) Corporal Cyr was responsible for coordi-  
6           nating incoming helicopter flights and providing ac-  
7           curate on-the-ground information to the pilots, es-  
8           sentially operating as a one-man air traffic control  
9           tower inside a combat zone.

10          (7) Corporal Cyr's leadership and execution en-  
11          abled the mission to be completed in a minimum  
12          time period with no damaged cargo or casualties.

13          (8) Corporal Cyr's actions were hailed by heli-  
14          copter pilots and officers from the inserting battal-  
15          ions.

16          (9) Corporal Cyr's actions on February 23 epit-  
17          omized the Pathfinder motto of "First in, Last  
18          out,".

19          (10) William P. Murphy, Commander of the  
20          10th Pathfinder Detachment, submitted a rec-  
21          ommendation for the award of a Bronze Star to Cor-  
22          poral Cyr to 10th Combat Aviation Battalion Com-  
23          mander, Captain Charles E. Markham.

24          (11) Captain Markham approved the rec-  
25          ommendation and submitted it to 17th Aviation

1 Group Commander, Lieutenant Colonel Jack A.  
2 Walker.

3 (12) Lieutenant Colonel Walker approved the  
4 recommendation.

5 (13) The 10th Pathfinder Detachment began to  
6 stand down in December 1971 and deactivated in  
7 January 1972, before Corporal Cyr could be award-  
8 ed the Bronze Star.

9 (14) Corporal Cyr's initial award was lost as a  
10 result of the deactivation.

11 (b) PURPOSE.—That the House of Representatives—

12 (1) honors the heroism of Corporal Gary An-  
13 drew Cyr to successfully insert troops and ammuni-  
14 tion on time and on target; and

15 (2) believes the United States Army, in light of  
16 new information, should consider revisiting deco-  
17 rating and honoring the courage and leadership of  
18 Corporal Gary Andrew Cyr.

