AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1540, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. REED OF NEW YORK

At the end of title X of division A, insert the following:

SEC. 1099C. DESIGNATION OF “TAPS” AS NATIONAL SONG OF REMEMBRANCE.

(a) DESIGNATION.—Chapter 3 of title 36, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

“§ 306. National Song of Remembrance

“(a) DESIGNATION.—The bugle call commonly known as ‘Taps’, consisting of 24 notes sounded on a bugle or trumpet performed by a solo bugler or trumpeter without accompaniment or embellishment, is the National Song of Remembrance.

“(b) CONDUCT DURING SOUNDING.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—During a performance of ‘Taps’ at a military funeral, memorial service, or wreath laying—

“(A) all present, except persons in uniform, should stand at attention with the right hand over the heart;
“(B) men not in uniform should remove their headdress with their right hand and hold the headdress at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart; and

“(C) persons in uniform should stand at attention and give the military salute at the first note of ‘Taps’ and maintain that position until the last note.

“(2) Exception.—Paragraph (1) shall not apply when ‘Taps’ is sounded as the final bugle call of the day at a military base.

“(c) Definition of Military Base.—In this section, the term ‘military base’ means a base, camp, post, station, yard, center, homeport facility for any ship, or other activity under the jurisdiction of the Department of Defense, including any leased facility.”.

(b) Conforming and Clerical Amendments.—

(1) Chapter Heading.—The heading of chapter 3 of title 36, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

“CHAPTER 3—NATIONAL ANTHEM, MOTTO, AND OTHER NATIONAL DESIGNATIONS”.

(2) Table of Chapters.—The item relating to chapter 3 in the table of chapters for such title is amended to read as follows:

“3. National Anthem, Motto, and Other National Designations ............ 301”.

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(3) TABLE OF SECTIONS.—The table of sections at the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

“306. National Song of Remembrance.”.

Amend the table of contents in section 2(b) by inserting after the item relating to section 1099B the following new item:

Sec. 1099C. Designation of “Taps” as National Song of Remembrance.