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[S. 994, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1 Walter Hammond Place in Waldwick, New Jersey, as the "Staff Sergeant Joseph D'Augustine Post Office Building"](#)

FLOOR SITUATION

On Thursday, September 24, 2015, the House will consider [S. 994](#), a bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1 Walter Hammond Place in Waldwick, New Jersey, as the "Staff Sergeant Joseph D'Augustine Post Office Building," under suspension of the rules. S. 994 was introduced on April 16, 2015 by Sen. Cory A. Booker (D-NJ) and passed the Senate by unanimous consent on May 11, 2015.

SUMMARY

S. 994 designates the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1 Walter Hammond Place in Waldwick, New Jersey, as the "Staff Sergeant Joseph D'Augustine Post Office Building."

BACKGROUND

Staff Sergeant Joseph D'Augustine was a Combat Veteran who served in both the Iraq and Afghanistan Wars as a United States Marine.¹ The Staff Sergeant was killed in action while serving on his second tour of duty in Afghanistan on March 27, 2012. His personal awards included the Bronze Star with Valor, Purple Heart, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Combat Action Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal (third award), National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, and the NATO-ISAF Medal.²

Staff Sergeant D'Augustine was a member of the 8th Engineer Support Battalion, Marine Logistics Group at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. Immediately upon checking in to the Company, he was thrust into the Company's pre-deployment training program in preparation for the upcoming Operation

¹ See article - <http://www.ssjudmf.com/>

² Ibid

Enduring Freedom deployment to Afghanistan. Assigned as an Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Team Member in October 2011, Staff Sergeant D'Augustine and his EOD Team Leader arrived in Afghanistan and began supporting Kilo Company 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines during combat operations. During his time in Afghanistan, he was directly responsible for the render safe or neutralization of 73 improvised explosive devices and the destruction of over 1,000 pounds of homemade explosives.³

COST

A Congressional Budget Office (CBO) cost estimate is currently unavailable.

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³ See article - <http://www.eodwarriorfoundation.org/memorial/warrior/joseph-daugustine>