

115TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

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To designate certain mountain peaks in the State of Colorado as “Fowler Peak” and “Boskoff Peak”.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. GARDNER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

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**A BILL**

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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 “Fowler and Boskoff  
5 Peaks Designation Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7       Congress finds that—

8             (1) Charlie Fowler was—

1 (A) one of the most experienced mountain  
2 climbers in North America, having successfully  
3 climbed many of the highest peaks in the world;

4 (B) an author, guide, filmmaker, photog-  
5 rapher, and wilderness advocate;

6 (C) the recipient of the 2004 Robert and  
7 Miriam Underhill Award from the American Al-  
8 pine Club, an award that—

9 (i) honors outstanding mountaineering  
10 achievement; and

11 (ii) is awarded annually to climbers  
12 who have “demonstrated the highest level  
13 of skill in mountaineering and who,  
14 through the application of this skill, cour-  
15 age, and perseverance, have achieved out-  
16 standing success in the various fields of  
17 mountaineering”; and

18 (D) a summiter of several 8,000-meter  
19 peaks, specifically—

20 (i) Everest;

21 (ii) Cho Oyu; and

22 (iii) Shishapangma;

23 (2) Christine Boskoff—

24 (A) was one of the leading female alpinists  
25 in the United States, having climbed 6 of the

1 14 mountain peaks in the world that are higher  
2 than 8,000 meters, specifically—

- 3 (i) Everest;  
4 (ii) Cho Oyu;  
5 (iii) Gasherbrum II;  
6 (iv) Lhotse;  
7 (v) Shishapangma; and  
8 (vi) Broad Peak;

9 (B) gave countless hours to nonprofit orga-  
10 nizations that supported—

- 11 (i) the rights of porters and Sherpas;  
12 (ii) the education of women; and  
13 (iii) global literacy and gender equal-  
14 ity; and

15 (C) was recognized by the education com-  
16 munities in the United States and Nepal as a  
17 role model for students;

18 (3) Charlie Fowler and Christine Boskoff were  
19 long-time residents of San Miguel County, Colorado,  
20 and champions for the pristine backcountry of Colo-  
21 rado;

22 (4) Charlie Fowler and Christine Boskoff died  
23 in an avalanche in November 2006 while attempting  
24 to summit Genyen Peak in Tibet;

1           (5) 2 unnamed 13,000-foot peaks located west  
2 of Wilson Peak on the boundary of San Miguel and  
3 Dolores Counties, Colorado, offer spectacular rec-  
4 reational climbing and hiking opportunities; and

5           (6) the local community in the vicinity of the  
6 peaks described in paragraph (5) and fellow climbers  
7 propose to honor and commemorate Charlie Fowler  
8 and Christine Boskoff by naming the peaks after  
9 Charlie Fowler and Christine Boskoff.

10 **SEC. 3. DESIGNATION OF FOWLER PEAK AND BOSKOFF**  
11 **PEAK, COLORADO.**

12 (a) DESIGNATION OF FOWLER PEAK.—

13           (1) IN GENERAL.—The 13,498-foot mountain  
14 peak, located at 37.8569°N, by -108.0117°W, in the  
15 Uncompahgre National Forest in the State of Colo-  
16 rado, shall be known and designated as “Fowler  
17 Peak”.

18           (2) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law,  
19 map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of  
20 the United States to the peak described in para-  
21 graph (1) shall be deemed to be a reference to  
22 “Fowler Peak”.

23 (b) DESIGNATION OF BOSKOFF PEAK.—

24           (1) IN GENERAL.—The 13,123-foot mountain  
25 peak, located at 37.85549°N, by -108.03112°W, in

1 the Uncompahgre National Forest in the State of  
2 Colorado, shall be known and designated as  
3 “Boskoff Peak”.

4 (2) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law,  
5 map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of  
6 the United States to the peak described in para-  
7 graph (1) shall be deemed to be a reference to  
8 “Boskoff Peak”.