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2D SESSION

S. 4789

To amend chapter 1 of title 36, United States Code, to designate February 1 of each year as “Blue Star Mothers Day”.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 16, 2026

Ms. ERNST introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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 “Blue Star Mothers Day
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

8 (1) On February 1, 1942, mothers of members
9 of the Armed Forces gathered in Flint, Michigan,

1 marking the founding of what would become Blue
2 Star Mothers of America, Inc.

3 (2) Blue Star Mothers of America, Inc., was
4 chartered by Congress under the Act entitled “An
5 Act for the incorporation of the Blue Star Mothers
6 of America, Inc.” (Public Law 86–653; 74 Stat.
7 515) in recognition of its role in supporting military
8 families and promoting patriotic service.

9 (3) Blue Star Mothers make significant sac-
10 rifices while supporting sons and daughters serving
11 in the Armed Forces.

12 (4) Through volunteer service and support for
13 servicemembers, veterans, and military families,
14 Blue Star Mothers continue to strengthen military
15 communities across the United States.

16 **SEC. 3. BLUE STAR MOTHERS DAY.**

17 (a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 1 of title 36, United
18 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
19 lowing:

20 **“§ 149. Blue Star Mothers Day**

21 “(a) DESIGNATION.—February 1 is Blue Star Moth-
22 ers Day.

23 “(b) RECOGNITION.—All private citizens, organiza-
24 tions, and Federal, State, and local governmental and leg-
25 islative entities are encouraged to recognize Blue Star

1 Mothers Day through proclamations, activities, and edu-
2 cational efforts honoring the service, sacrifice, and con-
3 tributions of Blue Star Mothers.”.

4 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.—The table of sections
5 for chapter 1 of title 36, United States Code, is amended
6 by adding at the end the following:

“149. Blue Star Mothers Day”.

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