

I voted Yes on H.R. 1141, the Rota Cultural and Natural Resources Study Act.

H.R. 1141 would authorize a study to test the feasibility of designating forest sites on Rota in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands as a unit of the National Park System. The island of Rota contains significant cultural and natural resources, as well as historic sites from the Japanese occupation during World War II. Rota's natural limestone forest serves as a habitat for endangered species such as the Mariana crow and the Rota bridled white-eye birds.

The bill was approved by a vote of 278 – 100.