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n April 19, many news outlets reported the Washington, DC medical examiner's conclusion announced that day: Officer Brian Sicknick of the U.S. Capitol Police died of natural causes, not as a result of any harm done to him while he was defending the U.S. Capitol from attack on January 6, 2021. See, e.g., Michael Balsamo and Colleen Long, Medical ruling: Capitol cop Sicknick died of natural causes, apnews.com (Apr. 19, 2021). Here is what we had put on the frontispiece of our Winter 2021 issue:

In memory of Brian Sicknick, who died from wounds suffered while defending the legislature of the United States of America on January 6, 2021.

So, a correction was called for. It is on the frontispiece of this issue, courtesy of the U.S. Capitol Police.

A RENEWABLE TREAT

Last year we tried a new approach to encouraging our subscribers to renew their support for this journal: An interesting postcard. One side of that card was an enlarged facsimile of a pass issued by the Marshal of the U.S. Supreme Court that entitled the holder to enter the U.S. Capitol on March 4, 1933 through the Court's entrance. In other words, it was a



The new, Congressional renewal postcard

ticket to a VIP view of Frankling D. Roosevelt's first Presidential inauguration. The other side of the card was an appeal for for renewal of the addressee's *Green Bag* subscription. We got the kind of response we were hoping for.

So, we are trying a similar stunt this year. Our new interesting postcard is, well, see for yourself. The interesting side is portrayed above, albeit in grays rather than the livelier colors of the postcard itself. The other side is unchanged – just an appeal for money in exchange for *Green Bags* and other goodies. And also like last time around, later in this year we will – if we again end up with a few extras – post something like this on social media:

If you're an Extravagant subscriber (and crazy completist) whose subscription was already paid up when we recently sent a renewal card, then (of course) you didn't get one. If you'd like a card for your GB2d collection, email us. We'll see what we can do.

