

In the Senate of the United States,

October 14, 1999.

Resolved, That the bill from the House of Representatives (H.R. 659) entitled “An Act to authorize appropriations for the protection of Paoli and Brandywine Battlefields in Pennsylvania, to direct the National Park Service to conduct a special resource study of Paoli and Brandywine Battlefields, to authorize the Valley Forge Museum of the American Revolution at Valley Forge National Historical Park, and for other purposes.”, do pass with the following

AMENDMENTS:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

1 ***SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.***

2 *This Act may be cited as the “Pennsylvania Battle-*
3 *fields Protection Act of 1999”.*

4 ***TITLE I—PAOLI AND BRANDYWINE***
5 ***BATTLEFIELDS***

6 ***SEC. 101. PAOLI BATTLEFIELD PROTECTION.***

7 *(a) PAOLI BATTLEFIELD.—The Secretary of the Inte-*
8 *rior (hereinafter referred to as the “Secretary”) is author-*

1 ized to provide funds to the borough of Malvern, Pennsyl-
 2 vania, for the acquisition of the area known as the “Paoli
 3 Battlefield”, located in the borough of Malvern, Pennsyl-
 4 vania, as generally depicted on the map entitled “Paoli
 5 Battlefield” numbered 80,000 and dated April 1999 (re-
 6 ferred to in this title as the “Paoli Battlefield”). The map
 7 shall be on file and available for public inspection in the
 8 appropriate offices of the National Park Service.

9 (b) *COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT AND TECHNICAL AS-*
 10 *SISTANCE.*—The Secretary shall enter into a cooperative
 11 agreement with the borough of Malvern, Pennsylvania, for
 12 the management by the borough of the Paoli Battlefield. The
 13 Secretary may provide technical assistance to the borough
 14 of Malvern to assure the preservation and interpretation of
 15 the Paoli Battlefield’s resources.

16 (c) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.*—There are
 17 authorized to be appropriated \$1,250,000 to carry out this
 18 section. Such funds shall be expended in the ratio of one
 19 dollar of Federal funds for each dollar of funds contributed
 20 by non-Federal sources. Any funds provided by the Sec-
 21 retary shall be subject to an agreement that provides for
 22 the protection of the Paoli Battlefield’s resources.

23 **SEC. 102. BRANDYWINE BATTLEFIELD PROTECTION.**

24 (a) *BRANDYWINE BATTLEFIELD.*—

1 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary is authorized to*
2 *provide funds to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,*
3 *a political subdivision of the Commonwealth, or the*
4 *Brandywine Conservancy, for the acquisition, protec-*
5 *tion, and preservation of land in an area generally*
6 *known as the Meetinghouse Road Corridor, located in*
7 *Chester County, Pennsylvania, as depicted on a map*
8 *entitled “Brandywine Battlefield—Meetinghouse*
9 *Road Corridor”, numbered 80,000 and dated April*
10 *1999 (referred to in this title as the “Brandywine*
11 *Battlefield”). The map shall be on file and available*
12 *for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the*
13 *National Park Service.*

14 (2) *WILLING SELLERS OR DONORS.*—*Lands and*
15 *interests in land may be acquired pursuant to this*
16 *section only with the consent of the owner thereof.*

17 (b) *COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT AND TECHNICAL AS-*
18 *SISTANCE.*—*The Secretary shall enter into a cooperative*
19 *agreement with the same entity that is provided funds*
20 *under subsection (a) for the management by the entity of*
21 *the Brandywine Battlefield. The Secretary may also pro-*
22 *vide technical assistance to the entity to assure the preserva-*
23 *tion and interpretation of the Brandywine Battlefield’s re-*
24 *sources.*

1 (c) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.*—*There are*
 2 *authorized to be appropriated \$3,000,000 to carry out this*
 3 *section. Such funds shall be expended in the ratio of one*
 4 *dollar of Federal funds for each dollar of funds contributed*
 5 *by non-Federal sources. Any funds provided by the Sec-*
 6 *retary shall be subject to an agreement that provides for*
 7 *the protection of the battlefield’s resources.*

8 *TITLE II—VALLEY FORGE NATIONAL HISTORICAL*
 9 *PARK*

10 ***SEC. 201. PURPOSE.***

11 *The purpose of this title is to authorize the Secretary*
 12 *of the Interior to enter into an agreement with the Valley*
 13 *Forge Historical Society (hereinafter referred to as the “So-*
 14 *ciety”), to construct and operate a museum within the*
 15 *boundary of Valley Forge National Historical Park in co-*
 16 *operation with the Secretary.*

17 ***SEC. 202. VALLEY FORGE MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN REV-***
 18 ***OLUTION AUTHORIZATION.***

19 (a) *AGREEMENT AUTHORIZED.*—*The Secretary of the*
 20 *Interior, in administering the Valley Forge National His-*
 21 *torical Park, is authorized to enter into an agreement under*
 22 *appropriate terms and conditions with the Society to facili-*
 23 *tate the planning, construction, and operation of the Valley*
 24 *Forge Museum of the American Revolution on Federal land*

1 *within the boundary of Valley Forge National Historical*
2 *Park.*

3 (b) *CONTENTS AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AGREE-*
4 *MENT.—An agreement entered into under subsection (a)*
5 *shall—*

6 (1) *authorize the Society to develop and operate*
7 *the museum pursuant to plans developed by the Sec-*
8 *retary and to provide at the museum appropriate and*
9 *necessary programs and services to visitors to Valley*
10 *Forge National Historical Park related to the story of*
11 *Valley Forge and the American Revolution;*

12 (2) *only be carried out in a manner consistent*
13 *with the General Management Plan and other plans*
14 *for the preservation and interpretation of the re-*
15 *sources and values of Valley Forge National Histor-*
16 *ical Park;*

17 (3) *authorize the Secretary to undertake at the*
18 *museum activities related to the management of Val-*
19 *ley Forge National Historical Park, including, but*
20 *not limited to, provision of appropriate visitor infor-*
21 *mation and interpretive facilities and programs re-*
22 *lated to Valley Forge National Historical Park;*

23 (4) *authorize the Society, acting as a private*
24 *nonprofit organization, to engage in activities appro-*
25 *priate for operation of the museum that may include,*

1 *but are not limited to, charging appropriate fees, con-*
2 *ducting events, and selling merchandise, tickets, and*
3 *food to visitors to the museum;*

4 *(5) provide that the Society's revenues from the*
5 *museum's facilities and services shall be used to offset*
6 *the expenses of the museum's operation; and*

7 *(6) authorize the Society to occupy the museum*
8 *so constructed for the term specified in the Agreement*
9 *and subject to the following terms and conditions:*

10 *(A) The conveyance by the Society to the*
11 *United States of all right, title, and interest in*
12 *the museum to be constructed at Valley Forge*
13 *National Historical Park.*

14 *(B) The Society's right to occupy and use*
15 *the museum shall be for the exhibition, preserva-*
16 *tion, and interpretation of artifacts associated*
17 *with the Valley Forge story and the American*
18 *Revolution, to enhance the visitor experience of*
19 *Valley Forge National Historical Park, and to*
20 *conduct appropriately related activities of the so-*
21 *cietly consistent with its mission and with the*
22 *purposes for which the Valley Forge National*
23 *Historical Park was established. Such right shall*
24 *not be transferred or conveyed without the ex-*
25 *press consent of the Secretary.*

1 (C) Any other terms and conditions the Sec-
2 retary determines to be necessary.

3 **SEC. 203. PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION.**

4 Nothing in this title authorizes the Secretary or the
5 Society to take any actions in derogation of the preservation
6 and protection of the values and resources of Valley Forge
7 National Historical Park. An agreement entered into under
8 section 202 shall be construed and implemented in light of
9 the high public value and integrity of the Valley Forge Na-
10 tional Historical Park and the National Park System.

Amend the title so as to read: “An Act to authorize appropriations for the protection of Paoli and Brandywine Battlefields in Pennsylvania, to authorize the Valley Forge Museum of the American Revolution at Valley Forge National Historical Park, and for other purposes.”.

Attest:

Secretary.

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