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AN ACT

To establish the Minuteman Missile National Historic Site
in the State of South Dakota, and for other purposes.

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 “Minuteman Missile Na-
5 tional Historic Site Establishment Act of 1999”.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.**

2 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

3 (1) the Minuteman II intercontinental ballistic
4 missile (referred to in this Act as “ICBM”) launch
5 control facility and launch facility known as “Delta
6 1” and “Delta 9”, respectively, have national signifi-
7 cance as the best preserved examples of the oper-
8 ational character of American history during the
9 Cold War;

10 (2) the facilities are symbolic of the dedication
11 and preparedness exhibited by the missileers of the
12 Air Force stationed throughout the upper Great
13 Plains in remote and forbidding locations during the
14 Cold War;

15 (3) the facilities provide a unique opportunity
16 to illustrate the history and significance of the Cold
17 War, the arms race, and ICBM development; and

18 (4) the National Park System does not contain
19 a unit that specifically commemorates or interprets
20 the Cold War.

21 (b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this Act are—

22 (1) to preserve, protect, and interpret for the
23 benefit and enjoyment of present and future genera-
24 tions the structures associated with the Minuteman
25 II missile defense system;

1 (2) to interpret the historical role of the Min-
2 uteman II missile defense system—

3 (A) as a key component of America’s stra-
4 tegic commitment to preserve world peace; and

5 (B) in the broader context of the Cold
6 War; and

7 (3) to complement the interpretive programs re-
8 lating to the Minuteman II missile defense system
9 offered by the South Dakota Air and Space Museum
10 at Ellsworth Air Force Base.

11 **SEC. 3. MINUTEMAN MISSILE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE.**

12 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Minuteman Missile Na-
14 tional Historic Site in the State of South Dakota
15 (referred to in this Act as the “historic site”) is es-
16 tablished as a unit of the National Park System.

17 (2) COMPONENTS OF SITE.—The historic site
18 shall consist of the land and interests in land com-
19 prising the Minuteman II ICBM launch control fa-
20 cilities, as generally depicted on the map referred to
21 as “Minuteman Missile National Historic Site”,
22 numbered 406/80,008 and dated September, 1998,
23 including—

1 (A) the area surrounding the Minuteman
2 II ICBM launch control facility depicted as
3 “Delta 1 Launch Control Facility”; and

4 (B) the area surrounding the Minuteman
5 II ICBM launch control facility depicted as
6 “Delta 9 Launch Facility”.

7 (3) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The map described
8 in paragraph (2) shall be on file and available for
9 public inspection in the appropriate offices of the
10 National Park Service.

11 (4) ADJUSTMENTS TO BOUNDARY.—The Sec-
12 retary of the Interior (referred to in this Act as the
13 “Secretary”) is authorized to make minor adjust-
14 ments to the boundary of the historic site.

15 (b) ADMINISTRATION OF HISTORIC SITE.—The Sec-
16 retary shall administer the historic site in accordance with
17 this Act and laws generally applicable to units of the Na-
18 tional Park System, including—

19 (1) the Act entitled “An Act to establish a Na-
20 tional Park Service, and for other purposes”, ap-
21 proved August 25, 1916 (16 U.S.C. 1 et seq.); and

22 (2) the Act entitled “An Act to provide for the
23 preservation of historic American sites, buildings,
24 objects, and antiquities of national significance, and

1 for other purposes”, approved August 21, 1935 (16
2 U.S.C. 461 et seq.).

3 (c) COORDINATION WITH HEADS OF OTHER AGEN-
4 CIES.—The Secretary shall consult with the Secretary of
5 Defense and the Secretary of State, as appropriate, to en-
6 sure that the administration of the historic site is in com-
7 pliance with applicable treaties.

8 (d) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—The Secretary
9 may enter into cooperative agreements with appropriate
10 public and private entities and individuals to carry out this
11 Act.

12 (e) LAND ACQUISITION.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
14 graph (2), the Secretary may acquire land and inter-
15 ests in land within the boundaries of the historic site
16 by—

17 (A) donation;

18 (B) purchase with donated or appropriated
19 funds; or

20 (C) exchange or transfer from another
21 Federal agency.

22 (2) PROHIBITED ACQUISITIONS.—

23 (A) CONTAMINATED LAND.—The Secretary
24 shall not acquire any land under this Act if the
25 Secretary determines that the land to be ac-

quired, or any portion of the land, is contaminated with hazardous substances (as defined in section 101 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9601)), unless, with respect to the land, all remedial action necessary to protect human health and the environment has been taken under that Act.

(B) SOUTH DAKOTA LAND.—The Secretary may acquire land or an interest in land owned by the State of South Dakota only by donation or exchange.

(f) GENERAL MANAGEMENT PLAN.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years after the date funds are made available to carry out this Act, the Secretary shall prepare a general management plan for the historic site.

(2) CONTENTS OF PLAN.—

(A) NEW SITE LOCATION.—The plan shall include an evaluation of appropriate locations for a visitor facility and administrative site within the areas depicted on the map described in subsection (a)(2) as—

(i) “Support Facility Study Area—Alternative A”; or

1 (ii) “Support Facility Study Area—
2 Alternative B”.

3 (B) NEW SITE BOUNDARY MODIFICA-
4 TION.—On a determination by the Secretary of
5 the appropriate location for a visitor facility
6 and administrative site, the boundary of the
7 historic site shall be modified to include the se-
8 lected site.

9 (3) COORDINATION WITH BADLANDS NATIONAL
10 PARK.—In developing the plan, the Secretary shall
11 consider coordinating or consolidating appropriate
12 administrative, management, and personnel func-
13 tions of the historic site and the Badlands National
14 Park.

15 **SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be appro-
17 priated such sums as are necessary to carry out this Act.

18 (b) AIR FORCE FUNDS.—

19 (1) TRANSFER.—The Secretary of the Air
20 Force shall transfer to the Secretary any funds spe-
21 cifically appropriated to the Air Force in fiscal year
22 1999 for the maintenance, protection, or preserva-
23 tion of the land or interests in land described in sec-
24 tion 3.

1 (2) USE OF AIR FORCE FUNDS.—Funds trans-
2 ferred under paragraph (1) shall be used by the Sec-
3 retary for establishing, operating, and maintaining
4 the historic site.

5 (c) LEGACY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.—
6 Nothing in this Act affects the use of any funds available
7 for the Legacy Resource Management Program being car-
8 ried out by the Air Force that, before the date of enact-
9 ment of this Act, were directed to be used for resource
10 preservation and treaty compliance.

Passed the Senate March 25, 1999.

Attest:

GARY SISCO,
Secretary.