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S. 2954

To establish the Ste. Genevieve National Historic Site in the State of Missouri, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 19, 2016

Mr. BLUNT (for himself and Mrs. MCCASKILL) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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 “Ste. Genevieve Na-
5 tional Historic Site Establishment Act of 2016”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) HISTORIC DISTRICT.—The term “Historic
9 District” means the Ste. Genevieve Historic District

1 National Historic Landmark, as generally depicted
2 on the Map.

3 (2) HISTORIC SITE.—The term “Historic Site”
4 means the Ste. Genevieve National Historic Site es-
5 tablished by section 3(a).

6 (3) MAP.—The term “Map” means the map en-
7 titled “Ste. Genevieve National Historic Site Pro-
8 posed Boundary”, numbered 571/132,626, and
9 dated May 2016.

10 (4) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
11 the Secretary of the Interior.

12 (5) STATE.—The term “State” means the State
13 of Missouri.

14 **SEC. 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE STE. GENEVIEVE NA-**
15 **TIONAL HISTORIC SITE.**

16 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),
18 there is established the Ste. Genevieve National His-
19 toric Site in the State as a unit of the National Park
20 System to preserve, protect, and interpret for the
21 benefit of present and future generations the themes
22 of French settlement, vernacular architecture, and
23 community form and farming on the frontier associ-
24 ated with Ste. Genevieve.

1 (2) CONDITIONS FOR ESTABLISHMENT.—The
2 Historic Site shall not be established until the date
3 on which the Secretary determines that—

4 (A) sufficient land has been acquired for
5 the Historic Site to constitute a manageable
6 unit; and

7 (B) the Secretary has entered into a writ-
8 ten agreement providing that land owned by the
9 State, the City of Ste. Genevieve, or other enti-
10 ty within the Historic District shall be managed
11 consistent with the purposes of this Act.

12 (b) BOUNDARIES.—The boundaries of the Historic
13 Site shall be the boundaries generally depicted on the
14 Map.

15 (c) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The Map shall be on file
16 and available for public inspection in the appropriate of-
17 fices of the National Park Service.

18 (d) ACQUISITION AUTHORITY.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may acquire
20 any land or interest in land located within the
21 boundary of the Historic Site or any nationally sig-
22 nificant property identified in the special resource
23 study within the Historic District by—

24 (A) donation;

1 (B) purchase with donated or appropriated
2 funds; or

3 (C) exchange.

4 (2) BOUNDARY REVISION.—On the acquisition
5 of any property within the Historic District under
6 paragraph (1), the Secretary shall revise the bound-
7 ary of the Historic Site to include the property.

8 (e) ADMINISTRATION.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall admin-
10 ister the Historic Site in accordance with—

11 (A) this Act; and

12 (B) the laws generally applicable to units
13 of the National Park System, including—

14 (i) section 100101(a), chapter 1003,
15 and sections 100751(a), 100752, 100753,
16 and 102101 of title 54, United States
17 Code; and

18 (ii) chapter 3201 of title 54, United
19 States Code.

20 (2) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—

21 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years
22 after the date on which funds are made avail-
23 able to prepare a general management plan for
24 the Historic Site, the Secretary shall prepare
25 the general management plan in accordance

1 with section 100502 of title 54, United States
2 Code.

3 (B) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—On com-
4 pletion of the general management plan under
5 subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall submit to
6 the Committee on Natural Resources of the
7 House of Representatives and the Committee
8 on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate
9 the general management plan.

10 (3) RELATED SITES.—The Secretary may pro-
11 vide interpretative tours and educational programs
12 at related historic and cultural sites within the His-
13 toric District associated with the purposes for which
14 the Historic Site is established.

15 (f) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may provide
17 technical assistance and enter into cooperative
18 agreements with the owner of a nationally signifi-
19 cant property within the Historic Site or the His-
20 toric District, to identify, mark, interpret, improve,
21 and restore the property.

22 (2) RIGHT OF ACCESS.—A cooperative agree-
23 ment entered into under paragraph (1) shall provide
24 that the Secretary, acting through the Director of
25 the National Park Service, shall have the right of

1 access at all reasonable times to all public portions
2 of the property covered by the agreement for the
3 purposes of—

4 (A) conducting visitors through the prop-
5 erty; and

6 (B) interpreting the property for the pub-
7 lic.

8 (3) COST-SHARING REQUIREMENT.—

9 (A) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share
10 of the total cost of any activity carried out
11 under a cooperative agreement entered into
12 under this subsection shall be not more than 50
13 percent.

14 (B) FORM OF NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—The
15 non-Federal share of an activity carried out
16 under a cooperative agreement entered into
17 under this subsection may be in the form of do-
18 nated property, goods, or services fairly valued.

19 (4) CHANGES OR ALTERATIONS.—No changes
20 or alterations shall be made to any property covered
21 by a cooperative agreement entered into under para-
22 graph (1) unless the Secretary and the other party
23 to the agreement agree to the changes or alterations.

24 (5) CONVERSION, USE, OR DISPOSAL.—Any
25 payment by the Secretary under this subsection shall

1 be subject to an agreement that the conversion, use,
2 or disposal of a property for purposes contrary to
3 the purposes of this section, as determined by the
4 Secretary, shall entitle the United States to reim-
5 bursement in any amount equal to the greater of—

6 (A) the amounts made available to the
7 property by the United States; or

8 (B) the portion of the increased value of
9 the property attributable to the amounts made
10 available under this subsection, as determined
11 at the time of the conversion, use, or disposal.

12 (g) LIMITED ROLE OF THE SECRETARY.—Nothing in
13 this Act authorizes the Secretary to assume overall finan-
14 cial responsibility for the operation, maintenance, or man-
15 agement of the Historic District.

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