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S. 2213

To authorize Pacific Historic Parks to establish a commemorative display to honor members of the United States Armed Forces who served in the Pacific Theater of World War II, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 7, 2017

Ms. HIRONO (for herself and Mr. SCHATZ) 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 “Admiral Lloyd R. ‘Joe’
5 Vasey Pacific War Commemorative Display Establishment
6 Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

8 In this Act:

1 (1) ASSOCIATION.—The term “Association”
2 means Pacific Historic Parks, a corporation that
3 is—

4 (A) a cooperating association with the Na-
5 tional Park Service;

6 (B) organized under the laws of the State
7 of Hawaii; and

8 (C) described in section 501(c)(3) of the
9 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt
10 from taxation under section 501(a) of that
11 Code.

12 (2) DIRECTOR.—The term “Director” means
13 the Director of the National Park Service.

14 (3) COMMEMORATIVE DISPLAY.—The term
15 “commemorative display” means the Pacific Theater
16 of World War II Commemorative Display authorized
17 to be established under section 4(a).

18 **SEC. 3. PURPOSES.**

19 The purposes of this Act are to—

20 (1) honor the brave members of the United
21 States Armed Forces who fought on behalf of the
22 United States of America in the Pacific Theater
23 during World War II;

1 (2) provide a place to mourn the more than
2 150,000 American and allied lives lost in the Pacific
3 Theater during World War II; and

4 (3) educate the public about United States bat-
5 tles in the Pacific Theater and its role in World War
6 II.

7 **SEC. 4. PACIFIC THEATER COMMEMORATIVE DISPLAY.**

8 (a) **AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH COMMEMORA-**
9 **TIVE DISPLAY.**—The Association may establish and main-
10 tain a commemorative display to honor the members of
11 the United States Armed Forces and Allies who served
12 in the Pacific Theater during World War II.

13 (b) **USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS PROHIBITED.**—Fed-
14 eral funds may not be used to design, procure, prepare,
15 install, or maintain the commemorative display, but the
16 Director may accept and expend contributions of non-Fed-
17 eral funds and resources for such purposes.

18 (c) **LOCATION OF COMMEMORATIVE DISPLAY.**—

19 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Director may allow the
20 commemorative display to be established at a suit-
21 able location at the Pearl Harbor site of the World
22 War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument in
23 Honolulu, Hawaii.

24 (2) **CONDITION.**—The commemorative display
25 may not be established at any location under the ju-

1 jurisdiction of the Director until the Director deter-
2 mines that an assured source of non-Federal funding
3 has been established for the design, procurement, in-
4 stallation, and maintenance of the commemorative
5 display.

6 (d) DESIGN OF THE COMMEMORATIVE DISPLAY.—

7 The final design of the commemorative display shall be
8 subject to the approval of the Director.

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