"(f) Any civil action under this section shall be barred unless it is commenced within twelve years of the date upon which it accrued. Such action shall be deemed to have accrued on the date the plaintiff or his predecessor in interest knew or should have known of the claim of the United States. Statute of limitations.

"(g) Nothing in this section shall be construed to permit suits against the United States based upon adverse possession."

(b) The chapter analysis at the beginning of chapter 161 of title 28, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 2409 the following new item:

"2409a. Real property quiet title actions."

Approved October 25, 1972.

Public Law 92-563

AN ACT

October 25, 1972
[H. R. 15475]

To provide for the establishment of a national advisory commission to determine the most effective means of finding the cause of and cures and treatments for multiple sclerosis.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

National Advisory Commission on Multiple Sclerosis Act.

SHORT TITLE

SECTION 1. This Act may be cited as the "National Advisory Commission on Multiple Sclerosis Act".

FINDINGS

SEC. 2. The Congress finds that—

(1) multiple sclerosis is a disease characterized by degeneration within the brain and spinal cord and by loss of motor and sensory functions;

(2) this disease, known as the "great crippler of young adults", generally makes its first appearance in the very prime of life, between the ages of twenty and forty, already affects great numbers of Americans, and will begin to afflict an even greater number as our young adult population expands;

(3) the cause of multiple sclerosis is unknown and there is neither a preventive nor a cure for the disease; and

(4) the determination of the most effective program for discovering the cause of and cures and treatments for the disease deserves the highest priority.

NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMISSION

SEC. 3. (a) (1) The Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare (hereinafter in this section referred to as the "Secretary"), after consultation with the advisory council to the National Institute on Neurological Diseases and Stroke appointed under section 342 of the Public Health Service Act, shall appoint a national advisory commission to determine the most effective means of finding the cause of and cures and treatments for multiple sclerosis. Such study and investigation shall give particular emphasis to the need for additional financial support by the Federal Government and the means by which the Federal Government can best participate in the effort to find the cause of and cures and treatments for multiple sclerosis. Appointment.

58 Stat. 699; 84 Stat. 1240. 42 USC 258. Study.

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Membership.

(2) The Secretary shall appoint to the commission (A) four members of the advisory council referred to in paragraph (1), and (B) five other individuals from the public who are particularly qualified to participate in the work of the commission. The members of the commission shall select a chairman from among the members appointed under clause (B) of the preceding sentence. Members of the commission shall each be entitled to receive the daily equivalent of the annual rate of basic pay in effect for grade GS–18 of the General Schedule for each day (including traveltime) during which they are engaged in the actual performance of duties vested in the commission. While away from their homes or regular places of business in the performance of services for the commission, members of the commission shall be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, in the same manner as persons employed intermittently in the Government service are allowed expenses under section 5703(b) of title 5 of the United States Code.

Compensation.

5 USC 5332 note.

Travel expenses.

80 Stat. 499.

Administrative support services.

(3) The Secretary shall provide such administrative support services for the commission as it may request.

(b) Each department, agency, and instrumentality of the executive branch of the Federal Government, including independent agencies, shall furnish to the commission, upon the request of its chairman, such information, services, personnel, and facilities as the commission deems necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

Final report to President and Congress.

(c) The commission shall transmit to the Secretary for transmittal to the President and the Congress a final report (which shall include recommendations for such legislation as the commission determines is necessary) not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act, and the commission shall cease to exist thirty days after submitting its report.

Termination date.

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October 25, 1972
[S. J. Res. 204]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To authorize the preparation of a history of public works in the United States.

Whereas the President of the United States and bicentennial organizations have encouraged associations and other groups to undertake meaningful activities to commemorate the two hundredth anniversary of our independence; and

Whereas the American Public Works Association is a nonprofit, public service organization comprised of top-ranking officials engaged in various phases of the broad field of public works at the local, State, and Federal levels of government and this highly respected nonpartisan organization has a long history of fostering the improvement of public works practices and the enhancement of public support for needed community facilities and services as exemplified by its sponsorship and support of the Graduate Center for Public Works Engineering and Administration of the University of Pittsburgh, the annual observance of National Public Works Week, which is designed to increase the citizen's understanding of public works, inspire excellence and loyal dedicated public service, and encourage and assist talented young persons to prepare for careers in public works, and other important programs; and

Whereas the board of directors, house of delegates, and advisory council of the American Public Works Association at a special ceremonial meeting held at Congress Hall in Philadelphia on Saturday, September 11, 1971, unanimously adopted a bicentennial resolution calling for the association to undertake as its official bicentennial project