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H. R. 4077

To provide for establishment of a memorial to sportsmen.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. DUNCAN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on 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 “Sportsmen’s Memorial
5 Act of 1998”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 The Congress finds the following:

8 (1) The conservation of the Nation’s fish and
9 wildlife resources is of critical importance to all of
10 our citizens.

1 (2) Numerous Federal and State agencies have
2 been created to manage for the conservation of our
3 fish and wildlife resources.

4 (3) Numerous national, State, and local asso-
5 ciations have been created to support the conserva-
6 tion of our fish and wildlife resources.

7 (4) Standing at the forefront of these collective
8 efforts are sportsmen, whose financial support to the
9 Nation's fish and wildlife conservation efforts num-
10 bers in the tens of billions.

11 (5) Sportsmen have been the financial and phil-
12 osophical backbone of successful fish and wildlife
13 management throughout the 20th century.

14 (6) Sportsmen's support has allowed fish and
15 wildlife managers to protect and restore millions of
16 acres of habitat, engage in quality research on a
17 multitude of fish and wildlife species, and actively
18 manage our fish and wildlife resources on a day-to-
19 day basis.

20 (7) Through the Federal Aid in Wildlife Res-
21 toration Act (16 U.S.C. 669 et seq.), the Federal
22 Aid in Fish Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 777 et seq.),
23 and the Migratory Bird Conservation Stamp pro-
24 gram, sportsmen have contributed billions of dollars
25 for the betterment of this Nation's fish and wildlife

1 resources and the conservation of fish and wildlife
2 habitat.

3 (8) Sportsmen, through their purchase of State
4 hunting and fishing licenses, stamps, and tags, have
5 contributed additional billions of dollars directly to
6 State fish and wildlife agencies for the betterment of
7 fish and wildlife resources and the conservation of
8 fish and wildlife habitat.

9 (9) Sportsmen, through their voluntary con-
10 tributions to fish and wildlife conservation associa-
11 tions, have conserved additional millions of acres of
12 habitat and the conservation of a multitude of fish
13 and wildlife species.

14 (10) This support has allowed fish and wildlife
15 managers to achieve some of our greatest fish and
16 wildlife success stories, including the North Amer-
17 ican wild elk, striped bass, wild turkey, pronghorn
18 antelope, wood duck, and greater Canada goose.

19 **SEC. 2. MEMORIAL TO SPORTSMEN.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Interior may
21 permit the Sportmen’s Wildlife Foundation (a nonprofit
22 corporation established under the laws of the State of Ten-
23 nessee) to establish in the District of Columbia or its envi-
24 rons a memorial to honor sportsmen pursuant to the Com-
25 memorative Works Act of 1986 (40 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.).

1 (b) COMPLIANCE WITH STANDARDS FOR COMMEMO-
2 RATIVE WORKS.—The establishment of the memorial shall
3 be in accordance with the Commemorative Works Act of
4 1986 (40 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.).

5 (c) PAYMENT OF EXPENSES.—The Sportmen’s Wild-
6 life Foundation shall be solely responsible for acceptance
7 of contributions for, and payment of the expenses of, the
8 establishment of the memorial. No Federal funds may be
9 used to pay any expense of the establishment of the memo-
10 rial.

11 (d) DEPOSIT OF EXCESS FUNDS.—If, upon payment
12 of all expenses of the establishment of the memorial (in-
13 cluding the maintenance and preservation amount pro-
14 vided for in section 8(b) of the Commemorative Works Act
15 of 1986 (40 U.S.C. 1008(b))), or upon expiration of the
16 authority for the memorial under section 10(b) of the
17 Commemorative Works Act of 1986 (40 U.S.C. 1010(b)),
18 there remains a balance of funds received for the establish-
19 ment of the memorial, the Sportmen’s Wildlife Foundation
20 shall transmit the amount of the balance to the Secretary
21 of the Treasury for deposit in the account provided for
22 in section 8(b)(1) of that Act (40 U.S.C. 1008(b)(1)).

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