H. R. 2982

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

September 26, 2002

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

AN ACT

To authorize the establishment of a memorial to victims who died as a result of terrorist acts against the United States or its people, at home or abroad.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

1 SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION OF MEMORIAL.

- 2 (a) In General.—The Advisory Board established
- 3 in section 2(a) is authorized to establish a memorial (re-
- 4 ferred to hereafter in this Act as the "Memorial" in ac-
- 5 cordance with this Act on Federal lands administered by
- 6 the National Park Service in the District of Columbia and
- 7 its environs (as defined in section 2(e) of the Commemora-
- 8 tive Works Act (40 U.S.C. 1002(e)) to victims who died
- 9 as a result of terrorist acts against the United States or
- 10 its people, at home or abroad, except those individuals
- 11 identified by the Attorney General of the United States
- 12 as participating or conspiring in terrorist-related activi-
- 13 ties.
- 14 (b) Detail of Employees.—The Secretary of the
- 15 Interior (referred to hereafter in this Act as the "Sec-
- 16 retary") shall detail to the Advisory Board such support
- 17 staff as are necessary to assist the members of the Advi-
- 18 sory Board in carrying out its responsibilities.
- 19 (c) Relationship to the Commemorative Works
- 20 Act.—The Commemorative Works Act (40 U.S.C. 1001
- 21 et seq.) shall apply to the Memorial, with the exception
- 22 of section 3(c) of that Act which shall not apply to the
- 23 Memorial.

24 SEC. 2. ADVISORY BOARD.

- 25 (a) Establishment.—There is established an advi-
- 26 sory board to be known as the "Victims of Terrorism Me-

- 1 morial Advisory Board" (referred to hereafter in this Act
- 2 as the "Advisory Board").
- 3 (b) Members.—The Advisory Board shall consist of
- 4 13 members who shall be appointed, not later than 3
- 5 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, by
- 6 the President (in consultation with the Secretary of the
- 7 Interior and the Secretary of Defense) from interested
- 8 persons, including representatives of organizations dedi-
- 9 cated to assisting victims of terrorism and their families.
- 10 (c) Chairperson.—The Chairperson of the Advisory
- 11 Board shall be one of its Members elected by a majority
- 12 of the Members at the first meeting of the Advisory Board.
- 13 (d) Terms; Vacancies.—Members of the Advisory
- 14 Board shall serve for the life of the Advisory Board. The
- 15 President shall make appointments to fill any vacancies
- 16 that occur.
- 17 (e) Duties.—The Advisory Board shall—
- 18 (1) raise necessary funds to establish, design,
- 19 construct, and maintain the Memorial; and
- 20 (2) begin consultation under section 7 of the
- 21 Commemorative Works Act not later than 1 year
- after the date of the enactment of this Act.
- 23 (f) Donations.—The Advisory Board may accept
- 24 donations on behalf of the United States for the establish-

- 1 ment, design, construction, and maintenance of the Memo-
- 2 rial.
- 3 (g) TERMINATION.—The Advisory Board shall termi-
- 4 nate not later than 120 days after completion of the Me-
- 5 morial.
- 6 (h) FACA.—The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5
- 7 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to the Advisory Board.
- 8 SEC. 3. DEPOSIT OF EXCESS FUNDS.
- 9 If, upon payment of all expenses of the establishment
- 10 of the Memorial (including the maintenance and preserva-
- 11 tion amount provided for in section 8(b) of the Commemo-
- 12 rative Works Act), or upon expiration of the authority for
- 13 the Memorial under section 10(b) of that Act, there re-
- 14 mains a balance in the funds received under section 3(f)
- 15 for maintenance of the Memorial, the Chairperson of the
- 16 Advisory Board shall transfer the amount of the balance
- 17 to the Secretary of the Treasury for deposit in the account
- 18 provided for in section 8(b)(1) of that Act.

Passed the House of Representatives September 25, 2002.

Attest: JEFF TRANDAHL,

Clerk.