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S. 386

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the Great Falls Historic District in the city of Paterson, in Passaic County, New Jersey, as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 15, 2001

Mr. TORRICELLI (for himself and Mr. CORZINE) 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 “Great Falls Historic
5 District Study Act of 2001”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds that—

1 (1) the Great Falls Historic District in the
 2 State of New Jersey is an area of historical signifi-
 3 cance as an early site of planned industrial develop-
 4 ment, and has remained largely intact through
 5 architecturally significant structures;

6 (2) the District is listed on the National Reg-
 7 ister of Historic Places and has been designated a
 8 National Historic Landmark;

9 (3) the Great Falls Historic District is situated
 10 within a one-half hour's drive from New York City
 11 and a 2 hour's drive from Philadelphia, Hartford,
 12 New Haven, and Wilmington;

13 (4) the District was developed by the Society of
 14 Useful Manufactures, an organization whose leaders
 15 included a number of historically renowned individ-
 16 uals, including Alexander Hamilton; and

17 (5) the District has been the subject of a num-
 18 ber of studies that have shown that the District pos-
 19 sesses a combination of historic significance and nat-
 20 ural beauty worthy of and uniquely situated for
 21 preservation and redevelopment.

22 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

23 In this Act:

24 (1) DISTRICT.—The term “District” means the
 25 Great Falls Historic District located in the city of

1 Paterson, in Passaic County, New Jersey, estab-
 2 lished as a historic district by section 510 of the
 3 Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act
 4 of 1996 (Public Law 104–333; 16 U.S.C. 461 note).

5 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
 6 the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Di-
 7 rector of the National Park Service.

8 **SEC. 4. STUDY.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after the
 10 date on which funds are made available to carry out this
 11 Act, the Secretary shall—

12 (1) carry out a study on the suitability and fea-
 13 sibility of designating the District as a unit of the
 14 National Park System; and

15 (2) submit to the Committee on Resources of
 16 the House of Representatives and the Committee on
 17 Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate a re-
 18 port describing the results of the study.

19 (b) CONTENTS.—The study under subsection (a)
 20 shall be conducted in accordance with Public Law 91–383
 21 (16 U.S.C. 1a et seq.).

22 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

23 There are authorized to be appropriated such sums
 24 as are necessary to carry out this Act.

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