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2^D SESSION

H. R. 1096

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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

AN ACT

To establish the Thomas Edison National Historical Park
in the State of New Jersey as the successor to the
Edison National Historic Site.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Act Commemorating
3 the LITE, or Lifetime Innovations of Thomas Edison”.

4 **SEC. 2. PURPOSES.**

5 The purposes of this Act are—

6 (1) to recognize and pay tribute to Thomas
7 Alva Edison and his innovations; and

8 (2) to preserve, protect, restore, and enhance
9 the Edison National Historic Site to ensure public
10 use and enjoyment of the Site as an educational, sci-
11 entific, and cultural center.

12 **SEC. 3. THOMAS EDISON NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK.**

13 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established the
14 Thomas Edison National Historical Park as a unit of the
15 National Park System (hereafter the “Historical Park”).

16 (b) BOUNDARIES.—The Historical Park shall be com-
17 prised of—

18 (1) all property owned by the United States in
19 the Edison National Historic Site as well as all
20 property authorized to be acquired by the Secretary
21 of the Interior for inclusion in the Edison National
22 Historic Site before the date of the enactment of
23 this Act, as generally depicted on the map entitled
24 the “Edison National Historic Site”, numbered
25 20003B, and dated April 1977; and

1 (2) all property authorized to be acquired for
2 inclusion in the Historical Park by this Act or other
3 law enacted after the date of the enactment of this
4 Act.

5 (c) MAP.—The map of the Historical Park shall be
6 on file and available for public inspection in the appro-
7 priate offices of the National Park Service.

8 **SEC. 4. ADMINISTRATION.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall administer
10 the Historical Park in accordance with this Act and with
11 the provisions of law generally applicable to units of the
12 National Park System, including the Acts entitled “An
13 Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other
14 purposes,” approved August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535; 16
15 U.S.C. 1 et seq.) and “An Act to provide for the preserva-
16 tion of historic American sites, buildings, objects, and an-
17 tiquities of national significance, and for other purposes,”
18 approved August 21, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 461 et seq.).

19 (b) ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY.—

20 (1) REAL PROPERTY.—The Secretary may ac-
21 quire land or interests in land within the boundaries
22 of the Historical Park, from willing sellers only, by
23 donation, purchase with donated or appropriated
24 funds, or exchange.

1 (2) PERSONAL PROPERTY.—The Secretary may
2 acquire personal property associated with, and ap-
3 propriate for, interpretation of the Historical Park.

4 (c) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—The Secretary
5 may consult and enter into cooperative agreements with
6 interested entities and individuals to provide for the pres-
7 ervation, development, interpretation, and use of the His-
8 torical Park.

9 (d) REPEAL OF SUPERSEDED LAW.—Public Law 87–
10 628 (76 Stat. 428), regarding the establishment and ad-
11 ministration of the Edison National Historic Site, is re-
12 pealed.

13 (e) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, reg-
14 ulation, document, paper, or other record of the United
15 States to the “Edison National Historic Site” shall be
16 deemed to be a reference to the “Thomas Edison National
17 Historical Park”.

18 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

19 There is authorized to be appropriated such sums as
20 may be necessary to carry out this Act.

 Passed the House of Representatives February 28,
 2006.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,

Clerk.