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[Report No. 111–311]

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the General of the Army George Catlett Marshall National Historic Site at Dodona Manor in Leesburg, Virginia, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 5, 2009

Mr. WEBB introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

SEPTEMBER 27, 2010

Reported by Mr. BINGAMAN, without amendment

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “George C. Marshall
3 National Historic Site Study Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

5 Congress finds that—

6 (1) General George Catlett Marshall and his
7 wife Katherine owned Dodona Manor during Mar-
8 shall’s tenure as—

9 (A) the Army’s Chief of Staff from 1939
10 to 1945;

11 (B) the Secretary of State from 1947 to
12 1948; and

13 (C) Secretary of Defense from 1950 to
14 1951;

15 (2) General Marshall served in the Federal
16 Government during a period in which the United
17 States faced the challenges of—

18 (A) fighting and winning a world war; and

19 (B) developing a global recovery plan to
20 defend the free world from the emerging Cold
21 War;

22 (3) Dodona Manor—

23 (A) was built in 3 stages; and

24 (B) has been impeccably restored to mu-
25 seum standards with the original Marshall fur-
26 nishing;

1 (4) the impeccable restoration of Dodona
 2 Manor preserves the integrity of the homelife of
 3 General Marshall so that Dodona Manor accurately
 4 presents a picture of an American hero to present
 5 and future generations;

6 (5) during his time at Dodona Manor, General
 7 Marshall was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for
 8 leadership and actions that have relevance in the
 9 current troubling times; and

10 (6) Dodona Manor—

11 (A) displays in a pastoral and educational
 12 format how the Marshall family solely dedicated
 13 themselves to public service while living in har-
 14 mony with the heritage of Virginia; and

15 (B) shows how Marshall embraced his per-
 16 sonal passion of gardening in a way that would
 17 inspire visitors.

18 **SEC. 3. SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY.**

19 (a) STUDY.—The Secretary of the Interior (referred
 20 to in this Act as the “Secretary”) shall conduct a special
 21 resource study of the Dodona Manor and gardens in Lees-
 22 burg, Virginia, the home of George C. Marshall during the
 23 most important period of Marshall’s career (referred to
 24 in this Act as the “study area”).

1 (b) CONTENTS.—In conducting the study under sub-
2 section (a), the Secretary shall—

3 (1) evaluate the national significance of the
4 study area and the surrounding area;

5 (2) determine the suitability and feasibility of
6 designating the study area as an affiliated area of
7 the National Park System;

8 (3) consider other alternatives for the preserva-
9 tion, protection, and interpretation of the study area
10 by—

11 (A) the Federal Government;

12 (B) State or local governmental entities; or

13 (C) private or nonprofit organizations;

14 (4) consult with interested—

15 (A) Federal, State, or local governmental
16 entities;

17 (B) private or nonprofit organizations; or

18 (C) any other interested individuals; and

19 (5) identify cost estimates for any Federal ac-
20 quisition, development, interpretation, operation, and
21 maintenance associated with the alternatives consid-
22 ered under paragraph (3).

23 (c) APPLICABLE LAW.—The study required under
24 subsection (a) shall be conducted in accordance with sec-
25 tion 8 of Public Law 91–383 (16 U.S.C. 1a–5).

1 (d) REPORT.—Not later than 3 years after the date
2 on which funds are first made available to carry out the
3 study under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to
4 the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the
5 Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources of the
6 House of Representatives a report that contains a descrip-
7 tion of—

- 8 (1) the results of the study; and
9 (2) any conclusions and recommendations of the
10 Secretary.

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