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[Report No. 111-267]

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of designating the Colonel Charles Young Home in Xenia, Ohio, as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 20, 2010

Mr. VOINOVICH (for himself and Mr. BROWN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

August 5, 2010

Reported by Mr. BINGAMAN, with an 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 "Colonel Charles Young
3	Home Study Act".
4	SEC. 2. FINDINGS.
5	Congress finds that—
6	(1) Colonel Charles Young was—
7	(A) a distinguished African-American offi-
8	eer in the United States Army;
9	(B) the third African-American to grad-
10	uate from West Point;
11	(C) a commander of troops in combat in—
12	(i) the Spanish-American War; and
13	(ii) the Mexican expedition against
14	Pancho Via;
15	(D) 1 of the first military attachés in the
16	United States; and
17	(E) a pioneer of techniques in military in-
18	telligence;
19	(2) the experience of Colonel Young in the
20	Army between 1884 and 1922 illustrates the chang-
21	ing nature of race relations in the United States
22	during a period spanning from the end of the Civil
23	War to the beginning of the Civil Rights movement;
24	(3) Colonel Young was a friend and associate of
25	other distinguished African-Americans of the period,

1	including poet Paul Laurence Dunbar from nearby
2	Dayton, Ohio;
3	(4) as the commander of an Army unit assigned
4	to protect and develop Sequoia National Park and
5	General Grant National Park in the State of Cali-
6	fornia, Colonel Young is recognized as the first Afri-
7	can-American to be the Superintendent of a Na-
8	tional Park; and
9	(5) the home of Colonel Young located near
10	Xenia, Ohio, is
11	(A) a National Historic Landmark; and
12	(B) closely associated with—
13	(i) Wilberforce University, a histori-
14	eally Black university at which Colonel
15	Young served as Professor of Military
16	Science; and
17	(ii) Central State University, which
18	is
19	(I) a historically Black univer-
20	sity; and
21	(II) the location of the National
22	Afro-American Museum and Cultural
23	Center.

1 SEC. 3. SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY.

2 SEC. 2. SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY.

3 (a) STUDY.—The Secretary of the Interior (referred 4 to in this Act as the "Secretary"), in consultation with 5 the Secretary of the Army, shall conduct a special resource 6 study of the Colonel Charles Young Home, a National His-7 toric Landmark in Xenia, Ohio (referred to in this Act 8 as the "Home").

9 (b) CONTENTS.—In conducting the study under sub-10 section (a), the Secretary shall—

(1) evaluate any architectural and archeologicalresources of the Home;

(2) determine the suitability and feasibility of
designating the Home as a unit of the National
Park System;

16 (3) consider other alternatives for preservation, 17 protection, and interpretation of the Home by Fed-18 eral, State, or local governmental entities or private 19 and nonprofit organizations, including the use of 20 shared management agreements with the Dayton 21 Aviation Heritage National Historical Park or spe-22 cific units of that Park, such as the Paul Laurence 23 Dunbar Home;

(4) consult with the Ohio Historical Society,
Central State University, Wilberforce University,
and other interested Federal, State, or local govern-

1	mental entities, private and nonprofit organizations,
2	or individuals; and
3	(5) identify cost estimates for any Federal ac-
4	quisition, development, interpretation, operation, and
5	maintenance associated with the alternatives consid-
6	ered under the study.
7	(c) APPLICABLE LAW.—The study required under
8	subsection (a) shall be conducted in accordance with sec-
9	tion 8 of Public Law 91–383 (16 U.S.C. 1a–5).
10	(d) REPORT.—Not later than 3 years after the date
11	on which funds are first made available for the study
12	under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to the
13	Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Rep-
14	resentatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural
15	Resources of the Senate a report that contains—
16	(1) the results of the study under subsection
17	(a); and
18	(2) any conclusions and recommendations of the

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