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H. R. 5103

To adjust the boundary of the Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park to include the Wallis House and Harriston Hill, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 27, 2012

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia (for himself and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on 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 “Kennesaw Mountain
5 National Battlefield Park Boundary Adjustment Act of
6 2012”.

7 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

8 The Congress finds the following:

9 (1) Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield
10 Park was authorized as a unit of the National Park

1 System on June 26, 1935. Prior to 1935, parts of
2 the park had been acquired and protected by Civil
3 War veterans and the War Department.

4 (2) Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield
5 Park protects Kennesaw Mountain and Kolb's
6 Farm, which are battle sites along the route of Gen-
7 eral Sherman's 1864 campaign to take Atlanta.

8 (3) Most of the park protects Confederate posi-
9 tions and strategy. The Wallis House is one of the
10 few original structures remaining from the Battle of
11 Kennesaw Mountain associated with Union positions
12 and strategy.

13 (4) The Wallis House is strategically located
14 next to a Union signal station at Harriston Hill.

15 **SEC. 3. BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT; LAND ACQUISITION; AD-**
16 **MINISTRATION.**

17 (a) BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.—The boundary of the
18 Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park is modified
19 to include the approximately 8 acres identified as “Wallis
20 House and Harriston Hill”, and generally depicted on the
21 map titled “Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield
22 Park, Proposed Boundary Adjustment”, numbered 325/
23 80,020, and dated February 2010.

1 (b) MAP.—The map referred to in subsection (a)
2 shall be on file and available for inspection in the appro-
3 priate offices of the National Park Service.

4 (c) LAND ACQUISITION.—The Secretary of the Inte-
5 rior is authorized to acquire, from willing owners only,
6 land or interests in land described in subsection (a) by
7 donation or exchange.

8 (d) ADMINISTRATION OF ACQUIRED LANDS.—The
9 Secretary of the Interior shall administer land and inter-
10 ests in land acquired under this section as part of the Ken-
11 nesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park in accordance
12 with applicable laws and regulations.

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