

this title, the Secretary is authorized to enter into cooperative agreements with the city of Boston, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or any private organization to mark, interpret, restore, and/or provide technical assistance for the preservation and interpretation of any properties listed in section 410z of this title, or portions thereof, which, in his opinion, would best be preserved in private, municipal, or State ownership, in connection with the Boston National Historical Park. Such agreements shall contain, but shall not be limited to, provisions that the Secretary, through the National Park Service, shall have right of access at all reasonable times to all public portions of the property covered by such agreement for the purpose of conducting visitors through such properties and interpreting them to the public, that no changes or alterations shall be made in such properties except by mutual agreement between the Secretary and the other parties to such agreements, except that no limitation or control of any kind over the use of any such properties customarily used for church purposes shall be imposed by any agreement. The agreements may contain specific provisions which outline in detail the extent of the participation by the Secretary in the restoration, preservation, and maintenance of such historic properties.

(2) The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Boston Public Library to provide for the distribution of informational and interpretive materials relating to the park and to the Freedom Trail.

(c) Identification and marking of significant historical sites

The Secretary may identify other significant sites of the colonial and Revolutionary periods of American history in the city of Boston, Massachusetts, and its environs, which are related to the historical park created by this subchapter, and, with the consent of the owner or owners thereof, may mark them appropriately and make reference to them in any interpretive literature.

(Pub. L. 93-431, § 3, Oct. 1, 1974, 88 Stat. 1185; Pub. L. 95-625, title III, § 310(b), Nov. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 3478; Pub. L. 104-333, div. I, title V, § 504, Nov. 12, 1996, 110 Stat. 4155.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1996—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 104-333 designated existing provisions as par. (1) and added par. (2).

1978—Subsec. (a)(4), (5). Pub. L. 95-625 struck out par. “(4) Dorchester Heights; and” and redesignated par. (5) as (4).

§ 410z-2. Boston National Historical Park Advisory Commission

(a) Establishment; membership

There is established a Boston National Historical Park Advisory Commission (hereinafter referred to as the “Commission”) which shall be composed of members appointed by the Secretary as follows:

(1) Three members appointed from recommendations submitted by the Governor of Massachusetts;

(2) Three members appointed from recommendations submitted by the mayor of the city of Boston; and

(3) One member to represent each owner with which the Secretary has concluded a cooperative agreement pursuant to section 410z-1 of this title, to be appointed from recommendations submitted by each such owner.

(b) Termination of Commission

The Commission shall terminate ten years from the date of establishment of the Boston National Historical Park.

(c) Vacancies; chairman

A vacancy in the Commission shall not affect its powers, but shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment (and for the balance of the unexpired term). The Chairman of the Commission shall be designated by the Secretary.

(d) Majority rule

The Commission shall act and advise by affirmative vote of a majority of its members.

(e) Consultation between Secretary and Commission

The Secretary or his designee shall from time to time, but at least semiannually, consult with the Commission with respect to matters relating to the development of the Boston National Historical Park.

(f) Compensation; payment of expenses

Members of the Commission shall serve without compensation as such. The Secretary is authorized to pay the expenses reasonably incurred by the Commission in carrying out its responsibilities under this subchapter upon presentation of vouchers signed by the Chairman.

(Pub. L. 93-431, § 4, Oct. 1, 1974, 88 Stat. 1185.)

§ 410z-3. Visitor center

The Secretary may acquire property or any interest therein by donation, purchase, or exchange for the visitor center, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds appropriated for the development and operation of the visitor center may be expended on property in which the Secretary has acquired less than the fee simple interest therein, including a leasehold interest.

(Pub. L. 93-431, § 5, Oct. 1, 1974, 88 Stat. 1186.)

§ 410z-4. Administration

When established as provided in section 410z of this title, the Boston National Historical Park shall be administered by the Secretary in accordance with the provisions of this subchapter, the Act of August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535), as amended and supplemented (16 U.S.C. 1 et seq.),¹ and the Act of August 21, 1935 (49 Stat. 666; 16 U.S.C. 461-467).¹

(Pub. L. 93-431, § 6, Oct. 1, 1974, 88 Stat. 1186.)

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REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Act of August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535), as amended and supplemented (16 U.S.C. 1 et seq.), referred to in

¹ See References in Text note below.

text, is act Aug. 25, 1916, ch. 408, 39 Stat. 535, known as the National Park Service Organic Act, which enacted sections 1, 2, 3, and 4 of this title and provisions set out as a note under section 100101 of Title 54, National Park Service and Related Programs. Sections 1 to 4 of the Act were repealed and restated as section 1865(a) of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure, and section 100101(a), chapter 1003, and sections 100751(a), 100752, 100753, and 102101 of Title 54 by Pub. L. 113-287, §§ 3, 4(a)(1), 7, Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3094, 3260, 3272. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables. For disposition of former sections of this title, see Disposition Table preceding section 100101 of Title 54.

The Act of August 21, 1935 (49 Stat. 666; 16 U.S.C. 461-467), referred to in text, is act Aug. 21, 1935, ch. 593, 49 Stat. 666, known as the Historic Sites Act of 1935 and also as the Historic Sites, Buildings, and Antiquities Act, which enacted sections 461 to 467 of this title. The Act was repealed and restated as section 1866(a) of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure, and sections 102303 and 102304 and chapter 3201 of Title 54, National Park Service and Related Programs, by Pub. L. 113-287, §§ 3, 4(a)(1), 7, Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3094, 3260, 3272. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables. For disposition of former sections of this title, see Disposition Table preceding section 100101 of Title 54.

§ 410z-5. Authorization of appropriations

For the acquisition of lands or interests in lands designated by section 410z of this title, as components of the Boston National Historical Park, there is authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$2,740,000. For development of the components designated as paragraphs 1 through 6 in section 410z of this title, there is authorized to be appropriated not more than \$12,818,000. For the development of the component designated as paragraph 7 in section 410z of this title, there is authorized to be appropriated not more than \$11,500,000.

(Pub. L. 93-431, § 7, Oct. 1, 1974, 88 Stat. 1186.)

SUBCHAPTER LVIII—VALLEY FORGE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

§ 410aa. Establishment

In order to preserve and commemorate for the people of the United States the area associated with the heroic suffering, hardship, and determination and resolve of General George Washington's Continental Army during the winter of 1777-1778 at Valley Forge, the Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") is authorized to establish the Valley Forge National Historical Park (hereinafter referred to as the "park"), in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

(Pub. L. 94-337, § 1, July 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 796.)

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

SHORT TITLE OF 1999 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 106-86, § 1, Oct. 31, 1999, 113 Stat. 1298, provided that: "This Act [enacting provisions set out as a note under this section] may be cited as the 'Pennsylvania Battlefields Protection Act of 1999'."

VALLEY FORGE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

Pub. L. 106-86, title II, Oct. 31, 1999, 113 Stat. 1299, provided that:

"SEC. 201. PURPOSE.

"The purpose of this title is to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement with

the Valley Forge Historical Society (hereinafter referred to as the 'Society'), to construct and operate a museum within the boundary of Valley Forge National Historical Park in cooperation with the Secretary.

"SEC. 202. VALLEY FORGE MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AUTHORIZATION.

"(a) AGREEMENT AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of the Interior, in administering the Valley Forge National Historical Park, is authorized to enter into an agreement under appropriate terms and conditions with the Society to facilitate the planning, construction, and operation of the Valley Forge Museum of the American Revolution on Federal land within the boundary of Valley Forge National Historical Park.

"(b) CONTENTS AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AGREEMENT.—An agreement entered into under subsection (a) shall—

"(1) authorize the Society to develop and operate the museum pursuant to plans developed by the Secretary and to provide at the museum appropriate and necessary programs and services to visitors to Valley Forge National Historical Park related to the story of Valley Forge and the American Revolution;

"(2) only be carried out in a manner consistent with the General Management Plan and other plans for the preservation and interpretation of the resources and values of Valley Forge National Historical Park;

"(3) authorize the Secretary to undertake at the museum activities related to the management of Valley Forge National Historical Park, including, but not limited to, provision of appropriate visitor information and interpretive facilities and programs related to Valley Forge National Historical Park;

"(4) authorize the Society, acting as a private nonprofit organization, to engage in activities appropriate for operation of the museum that may include, but are not limited to, charging appropriate fees, conducting events, and selling merchandise, tickets, and food to visitors to the museum;

"(5) provide that the Society's revenues from the museum's facilities and services shall be used to offset the expenses of the museum's operation; and

"(6) authorize the Society to occupy the museum so constructed for the term specified in the Agreement and subject to the following terms and conditions:

"(A) The conveyance by the Society to the United States of all right, title, and interest in the museum to be constructed at Valley Forge National Historical Park.

"(B) The Society's right to occupy and use the museum shall be for the exhibition, preservation, and interpretation of artifacts associated with the Valley Forge story and the American Revolution, to enhance the visitor experience of Valley Forge National Historical Park, and to conduct appropriately related activities of the Society consistent with its mission and with the purposes for which the Valley Forge National Historical Park was established. Such right shall not be transferred or conveyed without the express consent of the Secretary.

"(C) Any other terms and conditions the Secretary determines to be necessary.

"SEC. 203. PRESERVATION AND PROTECTION.

"Nothing in this title authorizes the Secretary or the Society to take any actions in derogation of the preservation and protection of the values and resources of Valley Forge National Historical Park. An agreement entered into under section 202 shall be construed and implemented in light of the high public value and integrity of the Valley Forge National Historical Park and the National Park System."

§ 410aa-1. Lands and property

(a) Boundaries; inspection of map

The park shall comprise the area generally depicted on the map entitled "Valley Forge National Historical Park", dated June 1979, and