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To establish the César Chávez National Historical Park in the States of California and Arizona, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. RUIZ (for himself and Mr. GRIJALVA) 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 “César Chávez National
5 Historical Park Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.**

7 (a) FINDINGS.—The Congress makes the following
8 findings:

9 (1) The César E. Chávez National Monument
10 was established by Presidential Proclamation 8884

1 on October 8, 2012, for the purposes of protecting
2 and interpreting the nationally significant resources
3 associated with the property in Keene, California,
4 known as Nuestra Señora Reina de la Paz.

5 (2) Nuestra Señora Reina de la Paz served as
6 the national headquarters of the United Farm
7 Workers movement, and was the home and work-
8 place of César Chávez, his family, union members,
9 and supporters.

10 (3) While César E. Chávez National Monument
11 marks the extraordinary achievements and contribu-
12 tions to the history of the United States by César
13 Chávez and the farm worker movement, there are
14 other significant sites in California and Arizona that
15 are important to the story of the farm worker move-
16 ment.

17 (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this Act is to estab-
18 lish the César Chávez National Historical Park—

19 (1) to help preserve, protect, and interpret the
20 nationally significant resources associated with
21 César Chávez and the farm worker movement;

22 (2) to interpret and provide for a broader un-
23 derstanding of the extraordinary achievements and
24 contributions to the history of the United States

1 made by César Chávez and the farm worker move-
2 ment; and

3 (3) to support and enhance the network of sites
4 and resources associated with César Chávez and the
5 farm worker movement.

6 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this section:

8 (1) HISTORICAL PARK.—The term “historical
9 park” means the César Chávez National Historical
10 Park established by section 4(a).

11 (2) MAP.—The term “map” means the map en-
12 titled, “_____”, numbered _____, and dated
13 _____, ____.

14 (3) ROUTE.—The term “route” means the
15 “American Farm Worker Movement Interpretive
16 Route” established by section 5.

17 (4) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
18 the Secretary of Interior.

19 (5) STATES.—The term “States” means—

20 (A) the State of California; and

21 (B) the State of Arizona.

22 **SEC. 4. CÉSAR CHÁVEZ NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK.**

23 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the
24 States a unit of the National Park System to be known
25 as the “César Chávez National Historical Park”.

1 (b) BOUNDARY.—The boundary of the historical park
2 shall include the following areas as generally depicted on
3 the map:

4 (1) The Forty Acres and Filipino Community
5 Hall in Delano, California.

6 (2) César E. Chávez National Monument, which
7 includes La Nuestra Señora Reina de la Paz, in
8 Keene, California.

9 (3) McDonnell Hall in San Jose, California.

10 (4) Santa Rita Center in Phoenix, Arizona.

11 (c) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The map shall be avail-
12 able for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the
13 National Park Service, Department of Interior.

14 (d) LAND ACQUISITION.—The Secretary may acquire
15 land and interests in land that are within the boundary
16 of the historical park by donation, purchase with donated
17 or appropriated funds, or exchange.

18 (e) ABOLISHMENT OF CÉSAR E. CHÁVEZ NATIONAL
19 MONUMENT.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—César E. Chávez National
21 Monument is hereby abolished and the lands and in-
22 terests therein are incorporated within and made
23 part of the historical park. Any funds available for
24 purposes of the monument shall be available for pur-
25 poses of the historical park.

1 (2) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law
2 (other than in this Act), regulation, document,
3 record, map or other paper of the United States to
4 César E. Chávez National Monument shall be con-
5 sidered a reference to the historical park.

6 (f) ADMINISTRATION.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall admin-
8 ister the historical park in accordance with this sec-
9 tion, and the laws generally applicable to units of
10 the National Park System, including—

11 (A) those sections of title 54, United
12 States Code, formerly part of the Act of August
13 25, 1916 (commonly known as the National
14 Park System Organic Act); and

15 (B) sections 320101 through 320106 and
16 section 309101 of title 54, United States Code.

17 (2) INTERPRETATION.—The Secretary may pro-
18 vide staff and technical assistance for the purpose of
19 interpreting historic sites, museums, and resources
20 on lands not administered by the Secretary relating
21 to the life of César Chávez and the history of the
22 farm worker movement.

23 (3) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—

24 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may
25 enter into cooperative agreements with the

1 States, local governments, public and private
2 organizations, and individuals—

3 (i) to mark, interpret, preserve, and
4 restore nationally significant historic or
5 cultural resources relating to the life of
6 César Chávez or the history of the farm
7 worker movement within the boundaries of
8 the historical park, if the agreement pro-
9 vides for reasonable public access;

10 (ii) to conduct research relating to the
11 life of César Chávez or the history of the
12 farm worker movement; or

13 (iii) to design, construct, operate, or
14 maintain National Park Service visitor, in-
15 terpretive, or administrative facilities for
16 the historical park.

17 (B) COST-SHARING REQUIREMENT.—

18 (i) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal
19 share of the total cost of an activity car-
20 ried out under this paragraph shall not ex-
21 ceed 50 percent.

22 (ii) FORM OF NON-FEDERAL
23 SHARE.—The non-Federal share of the
24 cost of carrying out an activity under this
25 paragraph may be in the form of in-kind

1 contributions or goods or services, fairly
2 valued.

3 (g) GENERAL MANAGEMENT PLAN.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years after
5 the date on which funds are made available to carry
6 out this section, the Secretary shall prepare a gen-
7 eral management plan for the historical park in ac-
8 cordance with section 100502 of title 54, United
9 States Code.

10 (2) ADDITIONAL SITES.—The general manage-
11 ment plan shall include a determination of whether
12 there are additional representative sites in the States
13 that should be added to the historical park or sites
14 in the rest of the United States that relate to the
15 farm worker movement that should be linked to and
16 interpreted at the historical park.

17 (3) CONSULTATION.—The general management
18 plan shall be prepared in consultation with—

19 (A) owners of properties that are included
20 within the boundaries of the historical park;
21 and

22 (B) appropriate Federal, State, public and
23 private organizations and individuals, includ-
24 ing—

25 (i) the National Chávez Center; and

1 (ii) the César Chávez Foundation.

2 **SEC. 5. AMERICAN FARM WORKER MOVEMENT INTERPRE-**
3 **TIVE ROUTE.**

4 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF ROUTE.—The Secretary,
5 with the concurrence of the agency having jurisdiction over
6 the relevant roads, trails, and properties, may designate
7 a vehicular tour route known as the “American Farm
8 Worker Movement Interpretive Route” to link properties
9 in the States that are historically and thematically associ-
10 ated with César Chávez and the farm worker movement.

11 (b) ELEMENTS OF ROUTE.—Subject to the consent
12 of the owner of the property, the Secretary may designate
13 as an official stop on the route—

14 (1) all units and programs of the historical
15 park relating to the life of César Chávez and the his-
16 tory of the farm worker movement;

17 (2) other Federal, State, local, and privately
18 owned properties that the Secretary determines have
19 a verifiable connection to César Chávez and the farm
20 worker movement; and

21 (3) other governmental and nongovernmental
22 facilities and programs of an educational, commemo-
23 rative, research, or interpretive nature that the Sec-
24 retary determines to be related to César Chávez and
25 the history of the farm worker movement.

1 (c) ADMINISTRATION OF ROUTE.—The route shall be
2 administered by the Secretary.

3 (d) ACTIVITIES.—To facilitate the establishment of
4 the route and the dissemination of information regarding
5 the route, the Secretary may—

6 (1) work with interested entities and individuals
7 to mark, interpret and preserve sites associated with
8 César Chávez and the farm worker movement;

9 (2) produce and disseminate appropriate edu-
10 cational materials regarding the route, such as
11 handbooks, maps, exhibits, signs, interpretive guides,
12 and electronic information;

13 (3) coordinate the management, planning, and
14 standards of the route in partnership with partici-
15 pating properties, other Federal agencies, and State
16 and local governments;

17 (4) create and adopt an official uniform symbol
18 or device to mark the route; and

19 (5) issue guidelines for the use of the symbol or
20 device adopted under paragraph (4).

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