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H. R. 820

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural
Resources

AN ACT

To establish the New Philadelphia National Historic Site
in the State of Illinois as a unit of the National Park
System, and for other purposes.

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 “New Philadelphia Na-
3 tional Historic Site Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

5 In this Act:

6 (1) HISTORIC SITE.—The term “Historic Site”
7 means the New Philadelphia National Historic Site
8 established by this Act.

9 (2) MAP.—The term “Map” means the map ti-
10 tled “New Philadelphia National Historic Site Pro-
11 posed Boundary”, numbered 591/176,516, and
12 dated July, 2021.

13 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
14 the Secretary of the Interior.

15 (4) STATE.—The term “State” means the State
16 of Illinois.

17 **SEC. 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW PHILADELPHIA.**

18 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Subject to subsection (c),
19 there is established the New Philadelphia National His-
20 toric Site in the State of Illinois as a unit of the National
21 Park System to preserve, protect, and interpret the history
22 and archeological resources of the town established by
23 Frank McWorter, a formerly enslaved man, in 1836.

24 (b) BOUNDARY.—The boundaries of the Historic Site
25 shall be the boundaries generally depicted on the Map.

1 (c) SECRETARIAL DETERMINATION.—The Historic
2 Site shall not be established until the date on which the
3 Secretary determines that the Secretary has acquired a
4 sufficient quantity of land or interests in and within the
5 boundary of the Historic Site to constitute a manageable
6 unit.

7 (d) NOTICE.—Not later than 30 days after the date
8 on which the Secretary makes a determination under sub-
9 section (c), the Secretary shall publish in the Federal Reg-
10 ister notice of the establishment of the Historic Site.

11 **SEC. 4. ADMINISTRATION.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall administer
13 land within the boundary of the Historic Site in accord-
14 ance with—

15 (1) this Act; and

16 (2) the laws generally applicable to units of the
17 National Park System, including—

18 (A) section 100101(a), chapter 1003, and
19 sections 100751(a), 100752, 100753, and
20 102101 of title 54, United States Code; and

21 (B) chapter 3201 of title 54, United States
22 Code.

23 (b) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—The Secretary
24 may enter into cooperative agreements with the State or
25 other public and nonpublic entities, under which the Sec-

1 retary may identify, interpret, and provide assistance for
2 the preservation of non-Federal land within the bound-
3 aries of the Historic Site and at sites in close proximity
4 to the Historic Site, but located outside the boundaries
5 of the Historic Site, including providing for placement of
6 directional and interpretive signage, exhibits, and tech-
7 nology-based interpretive devices.

8 (c) ACQUISITION OF LAND.—The Secretary may ac-
9 quire any land (including interests in land), within the
10 Historic Site boundary by donation, transfer, exchange, or
11 purchase from a willing seller using donated or appro-
12 priate funds.

13 (d) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—Not later than 3 years
14 after the date on which funds are first made available to
15 carry out this Act, the Secretary, in consultation with the
16 State, shall complete a general management plan for the
17 Historic Site in accordance with any other applicable laws.

18 (e) NO BUFFER ZONE CREATED.—Nothing in this
19 Act, the acquisition of the land or an interest in land au-
20 thorized by this Act, or the management plan for the Park
21 shall be construed to create buffer zones outside of the
22 Park. That activities or uses can be seen, heard, or de-
23 tected from the acquired land shall not preclude, limit,
24 control, regulate, or determine the conduct or manage-
25 ment of activities or uses outside of the Park.

(f) EMINENT DOMAIN OR CONDEMNATION.—In carrying out this Act, the Secretary of the Interior may not use eminent domain or condemnation.

Passed the House of Representatives September 19,
2022.

Attest: **CHERYL L. JOHNSON,**
Clerk.