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A BILL.

TO PERPETUATE AND PRESERVE FORT MCHENRY AND THE GROUNDS CONNECTED THEREWITH AS A GOVERNMENT RESERVATION UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR AND TO AUTHORIZE ITS PARTIAL USE AS A MUSEUM OF HISTORIC RELICS.

WHEREAS Fort McHenry, the birth-place of our National Anthem, and made memorable by the repulse of the British fleet in the War of 1812, should be retained by the United States to commemorate and perpetuate the important and decisive events in American history sacredly associated with it. Therefore

Section 1.--- BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED, That Fort McHenry and the government grounds therewith connected shall remain a government reservation under the exclusive jurisdiction of the United States and in the control of the War Department for military purposes. Provided further: That said Fort proper and appurtenant grounds may, with the assent and under the control of the Secretary of War, be occupied as a military museum, under such rules and regulations as he in his discretion may prescribe.

62D CONGRESS,
2D SESSION.

S. 6354.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

APRIL 20, 1912.

Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Approved Aug. 16, 1912

AN ACT

To perpetuate and preserve Fort McHenry and the grounds connected therewith as a Government reservation under the control of the Secretary of War and to authorize its partial use as a museum of historic relics.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled.*
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4 with connected shall remain a Government reservation
5 under the exclusive jurisdiction of the United States and
6 in the control of the War Department for military pur-
7 poses: *Provided*, That said fort proper and appurtenances
8 grounds may, with the assent and under the control of the
9 Secretary of War, be occupied as a military museum under

1 such rules and regulations as he, in his discretion, may
2 prescribe.

Passed the Senate April 18, 1912.

Attest: CHARLES G. BENNETT,
Secretary.

By H. M. ROSE,
Assistant Secretary.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

WASHINGTON.

May 11, 1912.

Mr. J. Custis Handy, Secy.
The Society of the War of 1812.
Baltimore City.

Dear sir:-

Yours of the 10th transmitting the resolutions of the Executive Committee of your Society came duly to hand. I desire to say to you, as secretary of same, and ask you to say to the members of the Society of the War of 1812, that I am in full sympathy with the resolutions and that I shall work and vote in accordance with the resolutions, and that it will give me great pleasure to do so.

I remain,

Very truly yours,

Thomas Parrow

[PUBLIC --No. 233.]

[H. R. 20501.]

An Act To authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to exchange the site heretofore acquired for a United States immigration station at Baltimore, Maryland, for another suitable site, and to pay, if necessary, out of the appropriation heretofore made for said immigration station an additional sum in accomplishing such exchange; or to sell the present site, the money procured from such sale to revert to the appropriation made for said immigration station, and to purchase another site in lieu thereof.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to exchange the site heretofore acquired for a United States immigration station at Baltimore, Maryland, for another suitable site, and to pay, if necessary, out of the appropriation heretofore made for said immigration station an additional sum in accomplishing such exchange; or to sell the present site, the money from such sale to revert to the appropriation made for said immigration station, and to purchase another site in lieu thereof, the total cost of such new site so acquired not to exceed the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars.

Approved, July 20, 1912.

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[PUBLIC—No. 432.]

[H. R. 28766.]

An Act To increase the limit of cost of certain public buildings, to authorize the enlargement, extension, remodeling, or improvement of certain public buildings, to authorize the erection and completion of public buildings, to authorize the purchase of sites for public buildings, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That to enable the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States to give effect to and execute the provisions of existing legislation authorizing the acquisition of land for sites or the enlargement thereof, and the erection, enlargement, extension, remodeling, or repair of public buildings in the several cities hereinafter enumerated, the limit of cost heretofore fixed by Congress therefor be, and the same is hereby, increased, respectively, as follows; and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to enter into contracts for the completion of each of said buildings within its respective limit of cost, including site:

United States post office at Mobile, Alabama, \$75,000.

United States post office and courthouse at Gadsden, Alabama, \$8,000.

United States post office and courthouse at Opelika, Alabama, \$50,000, and the Act of Congress approved June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and ten, is hereby amended so as to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to construct said building in such way as to provide suitable accommodations for the United States courts.

United States post office at Santa Barbara, California, \$20,000.

United States post office at Greeley, Colorado, \$35,000.

United States post office at La Junta, Colorado, \$25,000.

United States post office at Live Oak, Florida, \$15,000.

United States post office at Saint Petersburg, Florida, \$25,000.

United States post office at Carrollton, Georgia, \$7,500: *Provided*, That \$750 of said amount may be used, in the discretion of the Secretary of the Treasury, for the acquisition of additional ground adjoining the present site.

United States post office at Dublin, Georgia, \$8,000.

United States post office at Elberton, Georgia, \$12,500.

United States post office and courthouse at Atlanta, Georgia, \$22,500.

United States post office at Cedartown, Georgia, \$5,000.

United States post office at Cartersville, Georgia, \$6,250.

United States post office, courthouse, and customhouse at Honolulu, Hawaii, \$325,000: *Provided*, That so much of this sum as may be necessary not exceeding \$100,000 shall be used for the enlargement of the present site.

United States post office at Mount Vernon, Illinois, \$15,000.

United States post office at La Salle, Illinois, \$35,000.

United States post office at New Albany, Indiana, \$38,000.

United States post office and courthouse at Salina, Kansas, \$10,000.

United States post office at Hopkinsville, Kentucky, \$20,000.

United States post office at Middlesboro, Kentucky, \$25,000.
 United States post office at Georgetown, Kentucky, \$30,000.
 United States post office at Milford, Massachusetts, \$15,000.
 United States post office at Cadillac, Michigan, \$25,000.
 United States post office and courthouse at Detroit, Michigan,
 \$70,000.

United States post office at Holland, Michigan, \$20,000.
 United States post office at Minneapolis, Minnesota, \$175,000.
 United States post office at Moorhead, Minnesota, \$13,500.
 United States post office, land office, and other Government offices
 at Miles City, Montana, \$75,000.

United States post office and courthouse at Chillicothe, Missouri,
 \$65,000, and the Act of Congress approved June twenty-fifth, nine-
 teen hundred and ten, is hereby amended so as to authorize the
 Secretary of the Treasury to construct said building in such way as
 to provide suitable accommodations for the United States courts.

United States post office at Tupelo, Mississippi, \$10,000.

United States post office at Laurel, Mississippi, \$20,000.

United States post office and courthouse at Clarksdale, Mississippi,
 \$55,750, and the Act of Congress approved June twenty-fifth, nine-
 teen hundred and ten, is hereby amended so as to authorize the
 Secretary of the Treasury to construct said building in such way as
 to provide suitable accommodations for the United States courts.

United States post office at Corinth, Mississippi, \$3,500.

United States post office and courthouse at Lincoln, Nebraska,
 \$175,000.

United States post office and courthouse at McCook, Nebraska,
 \$25,000.

That the limit of cost for the extension, alteration, and improve-
 ment of the public building in the city of Concord, New Hampshire,
 contained in an Act making appropriations for sundry civil expenses
 of the Government for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen
 hundred and eleven, and for other purposes, approved June twenty-
 fifth, nineteen hundred and ten, be, and hereby is, increased from
 \$32,000 to \$50,000.

United States post office at Morristown, New Jersey, \$50,000.

United States post office at Plainfield, New Jersey, \$50,000.

For the acquisition of additional land for enlargement of site for
 a post office in the Borough of the Bronx, New York City, in the State
 of New York, \$60,000.

That the provisions of the Acts of Congress approved June thirtieth,
 nineteen hundred and six, May thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eight,
 and June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and ten, for the acquisition
 of a site and the erection thereon of a public building at Yonkers,
 New York, at a total limit of cost of \$250,000, be, and the same are
 hereby amended so as to provide for the acquisition of a site only
 for said building at a limit of cost of \$250,000, and the appropriations
 heretofore and to be made under said limit of cost for said site and
 building are hereby made available for the acquisition of such site
 only: *Provided*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is
 hereby, authorized and directed to cause to be erected upon the site,
 when acquired, a suitable building, including fireproof vaults, heating
 and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, for the use of the United

States post office and other governmental offices, the cost of said building not to exceed \$250,000.

United States post office at Gastonia, North Carolina, \$20,000.

United States post office at Kinston, North Carolina, \$20,000.

United States post office at Tarboro, North Carolina, \$15,000: *Provided*, That not to exceed \$4,000 of said amount may be used, in the discretion of the Secretary of the Treasury, for the acquisition of additional land adjoining the present site.

For a site for a post-office building at Lumberton, North Carolina, \$5,000, in addition to the amount heretofore authorized.

United States post office at Rocky Mount, North Carolina, \$16,000.

United States post office at Piqua, Ohio, \$75,000.

United States post office at Alliance, Ohio, \$45,000.

United States post office and courthouse at Dayton, Ohio, \$50,000.

For the enlargement of the site for a post-office building at Ashland, Ohio, \$10,000.

For the extension and enlargement of the United States post office and courthouse at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, or for an additional building, \$250,000.

United States post office and courthouse at Tulsa, Oklahoma, \$175,000.

United States post office at Albany, Oregon, \$10,000, and the Act of Congress approved May thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eight, is hereby amended so as to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to construct said building in such a way as to provide suitable accommodations for the Federal bureaus.

United States post office at The Dalles, Oregon, \$24,000.

United States post office at Reading, Pennsylvania, \$70,000.

United States post office at Corry, Pennsylvania, \$35,000.

United States post office at Hanover, Pennsylvania, \$10,000.

United States post office, courthouse, and customhouse at San Juan, Porto Rico, \$32,000.

United States post office at Narragansett Pier, Rhode Island, \$19,000.

United States post office at Shelbyville, Tennessee, \$5,000.

For additional land for site for a United States post office at Winchester, Tennessee, \$2,300.

United States post office and court house at Corpus Christi, Texas, \$70,000, and the Act of Congress approved June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and ten, is hereby amended so as to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to construct said building in such way as to provide suitable accommodations for the United States courts.

That the \$90,000 authorized by the Act of Congress approved June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and ten, for the extension, enlargement, remodeling, or improvement of the appraisers' stores at Galveston, Texas, and \$40,000 in addition thereto, which sum of \$40,000 is hereby authorized, shall be applied to the purposes set forth in the next following three items pertaining to or providing for public buildings at Galveston, Texas, namely:

For remodeling and reconstruction, to adapt it for use as a United States courthouse, the building now used for appraisers' stores, \$50,000.

For the purchase of suitable and convenient building and site for an appraiser's store, warehouse, and other purposes, and providing suitable offices therein, \$65,000.

For rearranging and constructing offices in the third story of the United States post-office and customhouse building, and work incident thereto, \$15,000. The Act of Congress approved August twenty-fourth, nineteen hundred and twelve, authorizing an expenditure of \$8,000 for rented quarters and moving expenses, is hereby repealed.

United States post office at Cuero, Texas, \$20,000.

United States post office at Hillsboro, Texas, \$10,000.

For the acquisition, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, of additional ground adjoining the post office and courthouse at Sherman, Texas, \$5,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

United States post office at Brigham City, Utah, \$20,000.

United States post office and courthouse at Brattleboro, Vermont, \$50,000.

United States post office and courthouse at Lynchburg, Virginia, \$25,000.

United States post office and customhouse at Everett, Washington, \$50,000.

United States post office at Moundsville, West Virginia, \$25,000.

United States post office at Sistersville, West Virginia, \$10,000.

That the provisions of the Acts of Congress of May twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and eight, and August twenty-second, nineteen hundred and eleven, fixing the limit of cost for the new building for the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Washington, District of Columbia, be, and the same are hereby, amended so as to fix the limit of cost for said new building, including vaults, at \$2,880,000, and any unexpended balance of the appropriations for said vaults remaining after their construction is hereby made available for the purpose of said building, but said limit of cost of \$2,880,000 shall not be exceeded.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to enter into contracts for the enlargement, extension, remodeling, rebuilding, reconstruction, or improvement of the following-named buildings within the respective limits of cost hereby fixed:

United States post office and customhouse at Oakland, California, \$115,000: *Provided*, That this amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be used for the acquisition of additional land for the enlargement of the present site.

United States post office, courthouse, and other governmental offices at East Saint Louis, Illinois, \$240,000.

United States post office at Evansville, Indiana, \$150,000.

United States post office and courthouse at Alexandria, Louisiana, \$65,000.

United States post office at Winchester, Kentucky, \$30,000: *Provided*, That this amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be used in erecting a second story on the present building, and for necessary changes in said building and in the mechanical equipment, lighting and plumbing systems thereof.

United States post office at Hagerstown, Maryland, \$30,000.

That the provision of the Act of Congress approved June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and six, fixing the limit of cost for the appraisers'

stores building at Boston, Massachusetts, be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to fix the limit of cost at \$1,250,000.

United States post office and customhouse at Muskegon, Michigan, \$75,000: *Provided*, That not exceeding \$10,000 of this amount may be expended for the enlargement of the present site.

United States post office at Kirksville, Missouri, \$40,000.

For one additional mail lift and one combination freight and passenger elevator, and for additions to mail apparatus and other improvements at the new city post office, Saint Louis, Missouri, to be immediately available, \$47,550.

United States post office at Moberly, Missouri, \$35,000.

United States post office, courthouse, and other governmental offices at Missoula, Montana, \$125,000.

United States post office at Poughkeepsie, New York, \$68,000, and the Secretary of the Treasury is further authorized, in his discretion, to acquire by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, out of this amount such additional land as may be necessary for the enlargement of the site for said building.

That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed, in his discretion, to acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, the remainder of the block in which the post office in the Borough of Brooklyn, city of New York, State of New York, is located, at a cost not exceeding \$350,000, and any unexpended balance of the appropriation for this enlargement of said site may be used, in the discretion of the Secretary of the Treasury, for the alteration or remodeling and repair of the buildings upon such newly acquired property to adopt such structures, or any of them, for temporary use for the purposes of the Government pending the completion of an extension of the present Federal building.

For the remodeling, extending, enlarging, or rebuilding the customhouse building at Toledo, Ohio, now used for courts and other Federal offices, \$25,000.

That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered to enlarge the site of the public building belonging to the United States in the city of Newport, Rhode Island, by the acquisition, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, of adjoining property within a limit of cost not to exceed \$100,000, and upon the present site so enlarged the Secretary is authorized and directed to cause to be erected a suitable new building, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, and approaches, complete, for the use and accommodation of the United States post office, customhouse, United States engineer office, Navy pay office, constructing quartermaster's office, Weather Bureau, Civil Service Commission, and other Government offices, within the limit of cost, including the building and addition to site hereby fixed, of \$400,000.

United States post office and courthouse at Chattanooga, Tennessee, \$55,000.

United States post office and customhouse at Nashville, Tennessee, \$400,000.

For the completion of the tower and the installation of a clock therein in the post office and courthouse at Danville, Virginia, \$2,500.

United States post office at Martinsburg, West Virginia, \$20,000.

United States post office at Huntington, West Virginia, \$225,000.

That the present site in each of the cities heretofore mentioned shall not be enlarged by the acquisition of ground under the provisions of this Act unless the Secretary of the Treasury is given specific authority herein to enlarge said sites, and where such authority is given the Secretary is authorized to secure, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, such additional ground as he may deem necessary, respectively: *Provided*, That the limits of cost hereinbefore respectively fixed shall include all necessary changes in, alterations and repairs of, the above-named buildings, and of the heating, ventilating, and plumbing systems and elevators therein which may become necessary by reason of or incident to the extension, enlargement, remodeling, improvement, or rebuilding of said buildings, or which it may be found expedient or advisable to make to such heating, ventilating, and plumbing systems and elevators because of the enlargement, extension, remodeling, improving, or rebuilding of said buildings; and the annual appropriations for the general maintenance of public buildings under the control of the Treasury Department shall be construed to be available for all other repairs to and equipment of said buildings, grounds, and approaches, and the heating, hoisting, plumbing, and ventilating apparatus thereof.

SEC. 3. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to contract for the erection and completion of a suitable building, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, complete, for the use and accommodation of the United States post office and other governmental offices upon ground now owned by the United States or authorized to be acquired in each of the following cities, respectively, within its respective limit of cost hereby fixed:

United States post office and courthouse at Jasper, Alabama, \$100,000.

United States post office and customhouse at Douglas, Arizona, \$100,000.

United States post office at Globe, Arizona, \$100,000.

United States post office at Arkadelphia, Arkansas, \$55,000.

United States post office at Fordyce, Arkansas, \$50,000.

United States post office at Mena, Arkansas, \$50,000.

United States post office at Bakersfield, California, \$135,000.

United States post office at Durango, Colorado, \$100,000.

United States post office at Fort Morgan, Colorado, \$60,000.

United States post office at Naugatuck, Connecticut, \$80,000.

United States post office at Rockville, Connecticut, \$55,000.

United States post office at Seymour, Connecticut, \$60,000.

United States post office at Greenwich, Connecticut, \$90,000.

United States post office at Bartow, Florida, \$50,000.

United States post office at De Land, Florida, \$60,000.

United States post office at Orlando, Florida, \$60,000.

United States post office at Barnesville, Georgia, \$50,000.

United States post office at Statesboro, Georgia, \$50,000.

United States post office at Twin Falls, Idaho, \$85,000.

United States post office at Taylorville, Illinois, \$60,000.

United States post office at Savanna, Illinois, \$50,000.

United States post office at Washington, Indiana, \$60,000.

United States post office at Huntington, Indiana, \$95,000.

- United States post office at Washington, Iowa, \$80,000.
 United States post office at Maquoketa, Iowa, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Charles City, Iowa, \$70,000.
 United States post office at Grinnell, Iowa, \$90,000.
 United States post office at Hiawatha, Kansas, \$60,000.
 United States post office at Minden, Louisiana, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Hammond, Louisiana, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Ashland, Kentucky, \$100,000.
 United States post office at Lancaster, Kentucky, \$55,000.
 United States post office at Shelbyville, Kentucky, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Rumford, Maine, \$60,000.
 United States post office at Caribou, Maine, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Skowhegan, Maine, \$65,000.
 United States post office at Frederick, Maryland, \$90,000.
 United States post office at Reading, Massachusetts, \$55,000.
 United States post office at Attleboro, Massachusetts, \$100,000.
 United States post office at Newburyport, Massachusetts, \$70,000.
 United States post office at Charlotte, Michigan, \$65,000.
 United States post office at Dowagiac, Michigan, \$55,000.
 United States post office at Little Falls, Minnesota, \$65,000.
 United States post office at Montevideo, Minnesota, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Anoka, Minnesota, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Bonne Terre, Missouri, \$50,000:
Provided, That the construction of said building shall not be begun until the site for same has been donated and title thereto accepted by the Secretary of the Treasury, as provided in section twenty-five of the Act of Congress approved June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and ten.
- United States post office at McComb, Mississippi, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Holly Springs, Mississippi, \$45,000, \$2,500 of which may be used, in the discretion of the Secretary of the Treasury, for the acquisition, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, of a site, in addition to the sum heretofore authorized for that purpose.
- United States post office at Kalispell, Montana, \$100,000.
 United States post office, land office, and Weather Bureau building at Alliance, Nebraska, \$75,000.
 United States post office at Aurora, Nebraska, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Falls City, Nebraska, \$65,000.
 United States post office at Wahoo, Nebraska, \$50,000.
 United States post office and courthouse at Chadron, Nebraska, \$110,000.
 United States post office at Laconia, New Hampshire, \$75,000.
 United States post office at Berlin, New Hampshire, \$65,000.
 United States post office at East Orange, New Jersey, \$125,000.
 United States post office at Hackensack, New Jersey, \$100,000.
 United States post office at Woodbury, New Jersey, \$55,000.
 United States post office at Bayonne, New Jersey, \$100,000.
 United States post office and courthouse at Las Cruces, New Mexico, \$125,000.
 United States post office at Batavia, New York, \$85,000.
 United States post office at Syracuse, New York, \$550,000.
 United States post office at Hornell, New York, \$85,000.
 United States post office at Waterloo, New York, \$55,000.

United States post office at Salamanca, New York, \$75,000.
 United States post office at Burlington, North Carolina, \$65,000.
 United States post office at Waynesville, North Carolina, \$65,000.
 United States post office at Shelby, North Carolina, \$55,000.
 United States post office at Dickinson, North Dakota, \$90,000.
 United States post office at Jamestown, North Dakota, \$75,000.
 United States post office at Valley City, North Dakota, \$75,000.
 United States post office at Ashland, Ohio, \$100,000.
 United States post office at Sandusky, Ohio, \$130,000.
 United States post office at Van Wert, Ohio, \$70,000.
 United States post office at Sidney, Ohio, \$70,000.
 United States post office at Elyria, Ohio, \$100,000.
 United States post office at Fremont, Ohio, \$100,000.
 United States post office at Middletown, Ohio, \$100,000.
 United States post office at Logan, Ohio, \$60,000.
 United States post office at Roseburg, Oregon, \$100,000.
 United States post office at Media, Pennsylvania, \$60,000.
 United States post office at Ridgway, Pennsylvania, \$80,000.
 United States post office at Dubois, Pennsylvania, \$85,000.
 United States post office at Titusville, Pennsylvania, \$75,000.
 United States post office at Pottstown, Pennsylvania, \$90,000.
 United States post office at Tarentum, Pennsylvania, \$60,000.
 United States post office at South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania,
 \$100,000.
 United States post office at Columbia, South Carolina, \$265,000.
 United States post office at Marion, South Carolina, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Redfield, South Dakota, \$65,000.
 United States post office at Madison, South Dakota, \$60,000.
 United States post office at Jellico, Tennessee, \$70,000, and the
 Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to provide in
 said building suitable quarters for a mine-rescue station.
 United States post office at Maryville, Tennessee, \$60,000.
 United States post office at Martin, Tennessee, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Humboldt, Tennessee, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Memphis, Tennessee, \$120,000.
 United States post office at Bay City, Texas, \$60,000.
 United States post office at Stamford, Texas, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Navasota, Texas, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Belton, Texas, \$55,000.
 United States post office at New Braunfels, Texas, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Beeville, Texas, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Yoakum, Texas, \$65,000.
 United States post office at El Paso, Texas, \$300,000.
 United States post office at Nacogdoches, Texas, \$55,000.
 United States post office at Brenham, Texas, \$60,000.
 United States post office at Richfield, Utah, \$55,000.
 United States post office at Warrenton, Virginia, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Franklin, Virginia, \$45,000.
 United States post office at Pulaski, Virginia, \$50,000.
 United States post office at South Boston, Virginia, \$50,000.
 United States post office at Waynesboro, Virginia, \$52,500, \$2,500
 of which may be used, in the discretion of the Secretary of the
 Treasury, for the acquisition, by purchase, condemnation, or other-

wise, of a site, in addition to the sum heretofore authorized for that purpose.

United States post office at Ellensburg, Washington, \$75,000.

United States post office at Wenatchee, Washington, \$85,000.

United States post office and customhouse at Aberdeen, Washington, \$112,500.

United States post office at Seattle, Washington, \$300,000.

United States post office and land office at Vancouver, Washington, \$140,000.

United States post office at Williamson, West Virginia, \$50,000.

United States post office at Buckhannon, West Virginia, \$60,000.

United States post office at Neenah, Wisconsin, \$80,000.

United States post office at Antigo, Wisconsin, \$70,000.

United States post office at Merrill, Wisconsin, \$75,000.

United States post office and courthouse at Madison, Wisconsin, \$550,000, and the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to expend from this sum such amount as may be necessary for the demolition of the present building, either in whole or in part.

United States post office at Buffalo, Wyoming, \$62,500.

United States post office at Basin, Wyoming, \$50,000.

United States post office and other Government offices at Cody, Wyoming, \$50,000.

SEC. 4. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to contract for the acquisition, by purchase or otherwise, of a site and to contract for the erection and completion thereon of a suitable building, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, complete, for the use and accommodation of the United States post office and other governmental offices in each of the cities enumerated in this section, within its respective limit of cost, including site, hereby fixed:

United States post office at Decatur, Alabama, \$65,000, to be erected at such point as shall be equally convenient, so far as possible, to the cities of Decatur and New Decatur.

United States post office at Andalusia, Alabama, \$50,000.

United States post office on the State line dividing West Point, Georgia, and Lanett, Alabama, \$50,000.

United States post office, courthouse and jail at Cordova, Alaska, \$100,000.

United States customhouse at Nogales, Arizona, \$110,000.

United States post office at Marianna, Arkansas, \$50,000.

United States post office at Prescott, Arkansas, \$50,000.

United States post office at Russellville, Arkansas, \$50,000.

United States post office at Rogers, Arkansas, \$70,000.

United States post office at Red Bluff, California, \$60,000.

United States post office and customhouse at San Pedro, California, \$60,000.

United States post office at San Luis Obispo, California, \$80,000.

United States post office and other Government offices at Willow, California, \$75,000.

United States post office, land office, and other Government offices at Glenwood Springs, Colorado, \$100,000.

United States post office at Mystic, Connecticut, \$55,000.

United States post office at Branford, Connecticut, \$55,000.

That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to contract for the erection and completion of a suitable building, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, for the use and accommodation of the United States post office and other Government offices, on a site already acquired in the town of Middletown, State of Connecticut, the cost of said building, including said vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, complete, not to exceed the sum of \$140,000.

United States post office and customhouse at Apalachicola, Florida, \$75,000.

United States post office and courthouse at Marianna, Florida, \$70,000.

United States post office at Sanford, Florida, \$70,000.

United States post office at Lakeland, Florida, \$75,000.

United States post office at Fitzgerald, Georgia, \$75,000.

United States post office at Douglas, Georgia, \$55,000.

United States post office at Washington, Georgia, \$55,000.

United States post office at Moultrie, Georgia, \$65,000.

United States post office at Dawson, Georgia, \$60,000.

United States post office at Sandpoint, Idaho, \$70,000.

United States post office at Marion, Illinois, \$70,000.

United States post office at Olney, Illinois, \$70,000.

United States post office at Paxton, Illinois, \$60,000.

United States post office at Hoopeston, Illinois, \$70,000.

United States post office at Geneseo, Illinois, \$60,000.

United States post office at Charleston, Illinois, \$75,000.

United States post office at Batavia, Illinois, \$95,000.

United States post office at Metropolis, Illinois, \$50,000.

United States post office at Mount Carmel, Illinois, \$75,000.

United States post office at Jerseyville, Illinois, \$65,000.

United States post office at Aledo, Illinois, \$65,000.

United States post office at Valparaiso, Indiana, \$95,000.

United States post office at Rochester, Indiana, \$70,000.

United States post office at Kendallville, Indiana, \$75,000.

United States post office at Bluffton, Indiana, \$70,000.

United States post office at North Vernon, Indiana, \$60,000.

United States post office at Clinton, Indiana, \$60,000.

United States post office at Shelbyville, Indiana, \$80,000.

United States post office at Cedar Falls, Iowa, \$95,000.

United States post office at Chariton, Iowa, \$70,000.

United States post office at Carroll, Iowa, \$70,000.

United States post office at Cherokee, Iowa, \$70,000.

United States post office at Glenwood, Iowa, \$50,000.

United States post office at Vinton, Iowa, \$70,000.

United States post office at Cherryvale, Kansas, \$60,000.

United States post office at Girard, Kansas, \$75,000.

United States branch post office at North Topeka, Kansas, \$71,000.

United States post office at Eldorado, Kansas, \$60,000.

United States post office at Pratt, Kansas, \$60,000.

United States post office at Thibodaux, Louisiana, \$50,000.

United States post office at Glasgow, Kentucky, \$60,000.

United States post office and customhouse at Fort Fairfield, Maine, \$80,000.

- United States post office at Marion, Kentucky, \$70,000.
- United States post office at Saco, Maine, \$60,000.
- United States post office at Cambridge, Maryland, \$80,000.
- United States post office at Salisbury, Maryland, \$90,000.
- United States post office at Southbridge, Massachusetts, \$80,000.
- United States post office at Leominster, Massachusetts, \$90,000.
- United States post office at Malden, Massachusetts, on a site to be donated, \$150,000: *Provided*, That the construction of said building shall not be begun until the site for same has been donated and title thereto accepted by the Secretary of the Treasury, as provided in section thirty-four of this Act.
- United States post office at Amherst, Massachusetts, \$80,000.
- United States post office at Winchester, Massachusetts, \$75,000.
- United States post office at Houghton, Michigan, \$100,000.
- United States post office at Cheboygan, Michigan, \$70,000.
- United States post office at Hastings, Michigan, \$81,000.
- United States post office at Midland, Michigan, \$60,000.
- United States post office at Wyandotte, Michigan, \$75,000.
- United States post office at Mount Pleasant, Michigan, \$75,000.
- United States post office at Bad Axe, Michigan, \$55,000.
- United States post office at Bemidji, Minnesota, \$75,000.
- United States post office at Fairmont, Minnesota, \$65,000.
- United States post office at Saint Peter, Minnesota, \$60,000.
- United States post office at Harrisonville, Missouri, \$52,500.
- United States post office at Liberty, Missouri, \$60,000.
- United States post office at Washington, Missouri, \$60,000.
- United States post office at Butler, Missouri, \$60,000.
- United States post office at Fayette, Missouri, \$55,000.
- United States post office at Water Valley, Mississippi, \$50,000.
- United States post office at Central City, Nebraska, \$55,000.
- United States post office at Fallon, Nevada, \$55,000.
- United States post office at Winnemucca, Nevada, \$60,000.
- United States post office at Franklin, New Hampshire, \$90,000.
- United States post office at Vineland, New Jersey, \$70,000.
- United States post office at Montclair, New Jersey, \$130,000.
- United States post office at Raton, New Mexico, \$75,000.
- United States post office and courthouse at Santa Fe, New Mexico, \$295,000.
- United States post office at Hoosick Falls, New York, \$80,000.
- United States post office at Long Island City, New York, \$200,000.
- United States post office at Owego, New York, \$75,000.
- United States post office at Cohoes, New York, \$100,000.
- United States post office at Walden, New York, \$65,000.
- United States post office at Saranac Lake, New York, \$90,000.
- United States post office at Fort Plain, New York, \$65,000.
- United States post office at Chapel Hill, North Carolina, \$60,000.
- United States post office at Thomasville, North Carolina, \$55,000.
- United States post office at Coshocton, Ohio, \$115,000.
- United States post office at Washington Court House, Ohio, \$80,000.
- United States post office at Martins Ferry, Ohio, \$85,000.
- United States post office at Kenton, Ohio, \$80,000.
- United States post office at Gallipolis, Ohio, \$75,000.
- United States post office at Wilmington, Ohio, \$75,000.

- United States post office at Altus, Oklahoma, \$82,500.
United States post office and courthouse at Woodward, Oklahoma,
\$110,000.
United States post office and other Government offices at Shawnee,
Oklahoma, \$125,000.
United States post office at Durant, Oklahoma, \$80,000.
United States post office at Chandler, Oklahoma, \$55,000.
United States post office at Phoenixville, Pennsylvania, \$80,000.
United States post office at Lock Haven, Pennsylvania, \$100,000.
United States post office and other Government offices at State Col-
lege, Pennsylvania, \$75,000.
United States post office at Pittston, Pennsylvania, \$100,000.
United States post office at Lewistown, Pennsylvania, \$75,000.
United States post office at Indiana, Pennsylvania, \$90,000.
United States post office at Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania, \$80,000.
United States post office at Berwick, Pennsylvania, \$80,000.
United States post office at Franklin, Pennsylvania, \$100,000.
United States post office at Tamaqua, Pennsylvania, \$75,000.
United States post office at Donora, Pennsylvania, \$75,000.
United States post office at Olyphant, Pennsylvania, \$65,000.
United States post office at Monessen, Pennsylvania, \$90,000.
United States post office at McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania, \$80,000.
United States post office at Waynesburg, Pennsylvania, \$75,000.
United States post office at Sayre, Pennsylvania, \$80,000.
United States post office and customhouse at Beaufort, South Car-
olina, \$50,000.
United States post office at Clinton, South Carolina, \$55,000.
United States post office at Lancaster, South Carolina, \$50,000.
United States post office at Bellefourche, South Dakota, \$75,000.
United States post office and land office at Chamberlain, South
Dakota, \$60,000.
United States post office at Franklin, Tennessee, \$55,000.
United States post office at Tullahoma, Tennessee, \$50,000.
United States post office at Athens, Tennessee, \$50,000.
United States post office at Denton, Texas, \$75,000.
United States post office at Gallatin, Tennessee, \$50,000.
United States post office at Pittsburg, Texas, \$55,000.
United States post office at Gilmer, Texas, \$55,000.
United States post office at Mount Pleasant, Texas, \$55,000.
United States post office at Honey Grove, Texas, \$50,000.
United States post office at Orange, Texas, \$60,000.
United States post office at Commerce, Texas, \$50,000.
United States post office at Vernon, Texas, \$50,000.
United States post office at Cameron, Texas, \$55,000.
United States post office at Comanche, Texas, \$50,000.
United States post office at Eureka, Utah, \$50,000.
United States post office and other Government offices at Vernal,
Utah, \$50,000.
United States post office and other Government offices at Spanish
Fork, Utah, \$50,000.
United States post office at Saint Johnsbury, Vermont, \$100,000.
United States post office at Farmville, Virginia, \$60,000.

United States post office at Norton, Virginia, \$75,000, and the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to provide in said building suitable quarters for a mine rescue station.

United States post office at Salem, Virginia, \$65,000.

United States post office at Front Royal, Virginia, \$50,000.

United States post office at Leesburg, Virginia, \$55,000.

United States post office at Charles Town, West Virginia, \$75,000.

United States post office at Beaver Dam, Wisconsin, \$80,000.

United States post office at Burlington, Wisconsin, \$70,000.

United States post office and customhouse at Mineral Point, Wisconsin, \$60,000.

United States post office at Rhinelander, Wisconsin, \$91,000.

United States post office at Ripon, Wisconsin, \$75,000.

United States post office at Tomah, Wisconsin, \$55,000.

United States post office at Oconto, Wisconsin, \$60,000.

SEC. 5. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to contract for the acquisition, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, of a suitable site for the United States post office and other governmental offices in each of the cities enumerated in this section within its respective limit of cost hereby fixed:

United States post office at Union Springs, Alabama, \$5,000.

United States post office at Albertville, Alabama, \$5,000.

United States post office at Attalla, Alabama, \$5,000.

United States post office at Greenville, Alabama, \$5,000.

United States post office at Sylacauga, Alabama, \$5,000.

United States post office at Nogales, Arizona, \$10,000.

United States post office at Prescott, Arizona, \$7,500.

United States post office at Conway, Arkansas, \$5,000.

United States post office at Stuttgart, Arkansas, \$5,000.

United States post office at El Dorado, Arkansas, \$5,000.

United States post office at Forrest City, Arkansas, \$5,000.

United States post office at Brinkley, Arkansas, \$5,000.

United States post office at Modesto, California, \$20,000.

United States post office at Canyon City, Colorado, \$15,000.

United States post office at Monte Vista, Colorado, \$10,000.

United States post office and courthouse at Montrose, Colorado, \$15,000.

United States post office and land office at Sterling, Colorado, \$15,000.

United States post office at Newark, Delaware, \$5,000.

United States post office at De Funiak Springs, Florida, \$6,000.

United States post office, courthouse, and customhouse, at Key West, Florida, \$80,000.

United States post office at Kissimmee, Florida, \$6,000.

United States post office at Lake City, Florida, \$7,500.

United States post office at Toccoa, Georgia, \$5,000.

United States post office at Canton, Georgia, \$5,000.

United States post office at Rossville, Georgia, \$5,000.

United States post office at Sandersville, Georgia, \$5,000.

United States post office at Forsyth, Georgia, \$5,000.

United States post office at Thomson, Georgia, \$5,000.

United States post office at Waynesboro, Georgia, \$5,000.

- United States post office at Monroe, Georgia, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Madison, Georgia, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Eatonton, Georgia, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Nampa, Idaho, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Caldwell, Idaho, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Mendota, Illinois, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Carlinville, Illinois, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Highland, Illinois, \$7,000.
 United States post office at Carrollton, Illinois, \$7,000.
 United States post office at Havana, Illinois, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Springvalley, Illinois, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Chicago, Illinois, \$50,000, and said site shall be located on or near East Sixty-third Street in said city: *Provided*, That the Secretary of the Treasury may, in his discretion, disregard the provisions of law requiring a site to be bounded upon at least two sides by streets, and may further, in his discretion, reduce or entirely dispense with the open space for fire protection.
 United States post office at Woodstock, Illinois, \$17,000.
 United States post office at Decatur, Indiana, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Linton, Indiana, \$8,000.
 United States post office at Noblesville, Indiana, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Lebanon, Indiana, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Greensburg, Indiana, \$12,000.
 United States post office at Plymouth, Indiana, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Warsaw, Indiana, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Salem, Indiana, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Albia, Iowa, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Fairfield, Iowa, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Oelwein, Iowa, \$8,000.
 United States post office at Marengo, Iowa, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Newton, Iowa, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Madisonville, Kentucky, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Barbourville, Kentucky, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Central City, Kentucky, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Harrodsburg, Kentucky, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Eminence, Kentucky, \$8,000.
 United States post office at Paintsville, Kentucky, \$5,000.
 United States post office and courthouse at Pikeville, Kentucky, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Prestonsburg, Kentucky, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Murray, Kentucky, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Hodgenville, Kentucky, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Falmouth, Kentucky, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Elizabethtown, Kentucky, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Morgan City, Louisiana, \$6,000.
 United States post office and customhouse at Provincetown, Massachusetts, \$8,000.
 United States post office at South Framingham, Massachusetts, \$25,000.
 United States post office and customhouse at Benton Harbor, Michigan, \$25,000.
 United States post office at Calumet, Michigan, \$20,000.
 United States post office at Caruthersville, Missouri, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Centralia, Missouri, \$7,500.

- United States post office at Farmington, Missouri, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Sikeston, Missouri, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Westplains, Missouri, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Unionville, Missouri, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Mountain Grove, Missouri, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Lebanon, Missouri, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Lamar, Missouri, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Somersworth, New Hampshire, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Salem, New Jersey, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Bath, New York, \$15,000.
 United States post office at Oneida, New York, \$20,000.
 United States post office at Lyons, New York, \$15,000.
 United States post office at Rutherfordton, North Carolina, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Mount Olive, North Carolina, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Edenton, North Carolina, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Mount Airy, North Carolina, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Lenoir, North Carolina, \$8,000.
 United States post office at Wadesboro, North Carolina, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Rockingham, North Carolina, \$5,000.
 United States post office and courthouse at Fargo, North Dakota,
 \$25,000.
 United States post office at Napoleon, Ohio, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Saint Marys, Ohio, \$7,500.
 United States post office at New Philadelphia, Ohio, \$12,500.
 United States post office at Delphos, Ohio, \$7,000.
 United States post office at Millersburg, Ohio, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Frederick, Oklahoma, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Hobart, Oklahoma, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Saint Johns, Oregon, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Tyrone, Pennsylvania, \$25,000.
 United States post office at Warren, Rhode Island, \$10,000.
 United States post office at Dillon, South Carolina, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Milbank, South Dakota, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Vermilion, South Dakota, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Huntingdon, Tennessee, \$2,500.
 United States post office at Elizabethton, Tennessee, \$2,500.
 United States post office at Rogersville, Tennessee, \$3,000.
 United States post office at Memphis, Tennessee, \$40,000.
 United States post office at Crockett, Texas, \$6,000.
 United States post office at Memphis, Texas, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Sweetwater, Texas, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Seguin, Texas, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Taylor, Texas, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Georgetown, Texas, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Coleman, Texas, \$5,000.
 For the acquisition, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, of
 additional ground adjoining the post office and courthouse at Dallas,
 Texas, \$300,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary: *Provided,*
 That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized
 and empowered, in his discretion, in lieu of the foregoing, to acquire
 a new site by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, for a post office
 at Dallas, Texas, at a limit of cost not to exceed \$300,000.
 United States post office at Nephi, Utah, \$5,000.
 United States post office at West Point, Virginia, \$5,000.

United States post office at Cape Charles, Virginia, \$7,500.
 United States post office at Buena Vista, Virginia, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Woodstock, Virginia, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Manassas, Virginia, \$5,000.
 United States post office at Colfax, Washington, \$7,000.
 United States post office at Pasco, Washington, \$10,000.
 United States post office at New Martinsville, West Virginia,
 \$12,500.
 United States post office on west side at Milwaukee, Wisconsin,
 \$100,000.

United States post office at Newcastle, Wyoming, \$5,000: *Provided*, That hereafter no authorization shall be made for the construction of a building to be used exclusively for post office purposes at any town or city where the postal receipts have not reached the sum of \$10,000 annually, nor shall any authorization for the purchase of a site for post office purposes only be made at any town or city where the postal receipts have not reached the sum of \$6,000 annually.

SEC. 6. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to enter into contracts for the construction of a suitable building for a post office only upon the site heretofore acquired, bounded by Seventh, Eighth, Hoyt, and Glisan Streets, in the city of Portland, Oregon, at a total limit of cost for said building, complete, including mechanical equipment, heating, ventilating, vacuum cleaning and air washing systems, machinery, mechanical appliances and devices for handling mail, intercommunicating telephones and clock systems, and such other labor-saving devices and appliances as may be deemed necessary, at a total limit of cost, exclusive of site, of \$1,000,000.

That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, further authorized and empowered, in his discretion, to secure the plans, specifications, and estimates for said building and the local supervision of its construction by competition among not less than five architects, and to make payment for the services of the architect whose plan may be selected out of the appropriation for said building, any statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

SEC. 7. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to contract for acquisition, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, a site, or additional ground adjoining the site already acquired, and to contract for the erection and completion thereon of a suitable building, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, complete, for the use and accommodation of the United States post office, courts, and other governmental offices at Birmingham, Alabama. The cost of said building and additional ground, or new site and building shall not exceed \$1,000,000: *Provided*, That if the Secretary of the Treasury should decide to acquire a new site he may in his discretion sell the site already acquired at an upset price of not less than \$200,000, at public or private sale, at such time and upon such terms as he may deem to be to the best interests of the United States and deposit the proceeds in the Treasury as a miscellaneous receipt.

SEC. 8. That the limit of cost for the acquisition of a site and the erection thereon of a suitable building for the accommodation of the United States post office, courthouse, and other governmental offices

at New Haven, Connecticut, as provided by the Act of Congress approved June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and ten, is hereby increased by the sum of \$400,000, or so much thereof as may be realized from the sale of the old post-office and customhouse building and site thereof in the said city of New Haven, as provided in said Act of June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and ten; and said Act of June twenty-fifth, nineteen hundred and ten, is hereby amended so that the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized, in his discretion, to sell said old post-office and customhouse building and site on such terms as the Secretary of the Treasury may deem to be to the best interest of the United States subject to the provision and agreement that possession of same shall not be delivered until said new building is ready for occupancy.

SEC. 9. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to cause to be constructed on square numbered one hundred and forty-three, in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, a fireproof building of modern office building type of architecture of sufficient area to afford when completed office accommodations for the entire organization at Washington, District of Columbia, of the Geological Survey, Reclamation Service, Indian Office, Bureau of Mines, and such other offices and bureaus of the Interior Department as can be accommodated therein.

That the plans, specifications, and estimates for said building shall be approved by a board consisting of the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Superintendent of the Capitol Building and Grounds.

That for the purpose of beginning the construction of said building the sum of \$596,000 is hereby authorized, and the unexpended balance of the appropriation for the acquisition of said square one hundred and forty-three is hereby made available as a part of said authorization for the employment, at customary rates of compensation without regard to civil-service laws, rules, or regulations, of technical and engineering services in the Office of the Supervising Architect, exclusively to aid in the preparation of the necessary plans, specifications, estimates, and toward the commencement of the construction of said building.

That the foregoing authorization for the employment of technical and engineering services shall be in addition to and independent of the authorizations and appropriations for personal services for the Office of the Supervising Architect otherwise made: *Provided*, That this authorization shall not be construed as fixing the limit of cost of said building at the sum hereby named, but the building hereby authorized shall be constructed or so planned as to cost, complete, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, lighting fixtures, and approaches, but exclusive of site, not exceeding \$2,596,000.

That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to enter into contracts for the construction of a suitable building for said purpose within the ultimate limit of cost above mentioned.

SEC. 10. That a building is hereby authorized to be erected in the District of Columbia, to be known as the George Washington Memorial Building.

The control and administration of said building, when erected, shall be in the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

The George Washington Memorial Association is authorized to erect said building in accordance with plans to be procured by said association and to be approved by the Commission of Fine Arts, said building to be fireproof, faced with granite, and to cost not less than \$2,000,000; it shall have an auditorium that will seat not less than six thousand people, and such other smaller halls, reception rooms, office rooms, and so forth, as may be deemed necessary to carry out the purposes for which the building is erected. And the said George Washington Memorial Association shall in addition provide a permanent endowment fund of not less than \$500,000, to be administered by the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, the income from which shall, as far as necessary, be used for the maintenance of the said building.

Permission is granted the George Washington Memorial Association to erect said building in the north end of the reservation known as Armory Square, bounded by Sixth and Seventh Streets west and B Street north and B Street south. The south front of said building is to be on a line with the south front of the new National Museum Building, in the north end of the Smithsonian Park; and the said land is hereby set apart for that purpose: *Provided*, That the actual construction of said building shall not be undertaken until the sum of \$1,000,000 shall have been subscribed and paid into the treasury of the George Washington Memorial Association: *And provided further*, That the erection of said George Washington Memorial Building be begun within a period of two years from and after the passage of this Act, and this section shall be null and void should the George Washington Memorial Association fail to comply with the provisions thereof which are conditions precedent to the authorization herein granted.

Said building may, among other purposes, be used for inaugural receptions and special public meetings authorized by Congress.

Congress may alter, amend, add to, or repeal any of the provisions of this section.

SEC. 11. That so much of section twenty-four of the Act of Congress approved May thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eight, as provides for the construction of buildings for a customhouse and other governmental offices, except United States courts and post office, and for a building for the United States appraisers' stores at Wilmington, North Carolina, be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to require that upon the enlarged site of the present customhouse and warehouse in said city the Secretary of the Treasury shall cause to be constructed a suitable and commodious fireproof building for the accommodation of the customs service, the appraisers' stores, the United States courts and court officials, and such other governmental offices, exclusive of the post office, as can be properly and conveniently quartered in said building; and that the limit of cost fixed by said Act of May thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eight, is hereby extended by the sum of \$300,000, and said Act is hereby amended so as to fix the limit of cost for said new customhouse, appraisers' stores, and courthouse and enlargement of site thereof at not exceeding \$600,000; and that the unexpended balances of the

appropriations heretofore made pursuant to said section twenty-four of the public building Act of May thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eight, are hereby made available for the construction of the said building for customhouse, appraisers' stores, and courthouse hereinbefore prescribed; and the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to enter into contracts for the construction of such buildings for customhouse, appraisers' stores, and courthouse at Wilmington, North Carolina, within the limit of cost hereinbefore fixed.

SEC. 12. Post office at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, \$80,000, together with the unexpended balance of the amounts heretofore appropriated for additional land and building; all to be available for the acquisition of a new site.

SEC. 13. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to purchase a site, or acquire it by condemnation or otherwise, in the city of Akron, Ohio, and cause to be erected thereon a suitable building, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, for the use and accommodation of the post office and other governmental offices, the cost of said site and building, including said vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, not to exceed \$400,000. And the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized, when said building is completed and occupied by the United States authorities, to sell the present post-office building and site in said city of Akron at public or private sale, after proper advertisement, on such terms as he may deem to be to the best interests of the United States, to execute a quitclaim deed to the purchaser thereof, and to deposit the proceeds of said sale in the Treasury of the United States as a miscellaneous receipt: *Provided*, That said building and site shall not be sold for any sum less than \$100,000.

SEC. 14. That for the purpose of beginning the construction under the direction of a commission consisting of the Secretary of War, the Secretary of the Navy, and Superintendent of the United States Capitol Building and Grounds, Ivory G. Kimball, representing the Grand Army of the Republic, and Charles W. Newton, representing the United Spanish War Veterans, of a memorial amphitheater, including a chapel, at the National Cemetery at Arlington, Virginia, and in accordance with the plans of Carrere and Hastings, architects, of New York City, adopted by the commission heretofore appointed, there is hereby authorized the sum of \$250,000: *Provided*, That this authorization shall not be construed as fixing the limit of cost of said building at the sum herein named, but the building herein provided for shall be constructed so as to cost, complete, including heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, \$750,000.

That said commission is hereby authorized to enter into contracts for the construction of said memorial amphitheater and chapel within the ultimate limit of cost above mentioned. *Provided further*, That the said commission may, in its discretion, locate said chapel elsewhere upon the Arlington estate, and in that event may expend of the sum hereby authorized not more than \$75,000 for the purpose of constructing said chapel.

That said commission is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract with Carrere and Hastings, architects, for their full pro-

professional services in connection with the construction of the memorial amphitheater, herein authorized, at the usual and customary professional charges for such services.

SEC. 15. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized, in his discretion, to convey by quitclaim deed to the city of Oneonta, New York, for street purposes and no other, all the right, title, and interest of the United States of America in and to all or so much of a ten-foot strip of land off the South Main Street side of the Federal building site in said city as he may deem advisable for said street purposes.

SEC. 16. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to purchase a site, or acquire it by condemnation or otherwise, on land at a convenient point between the incorporated city of East Las Vegas, New Mexico, and the incorporated town of Las Vegas, New Mexico, and cause to be erected thereon a suitable building, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, for the use and accommodation of the post office, courthouse, and other governmental offices, the cost of said site and building, including said vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, not to exceed the sum of \$125,000, and the building herein provided for shall be used as a post office and courthouse and for other governmental purposes for both the incorporated city of East Las Vegas and the incorporated town of Las Vegas, notwithstanding the general law requiring the maintenance of a post office in each county seat, and the authorization of \$15,000 made for the purchase of a site in the town of Las Vegas is hereby repealed.

SEC. 17. That a commission, consisting of the Secretary of the Interior, the Commissioner of Patents, and the Supervising Architect of the Treasury Department, be, and is hereby, created, which shall cause plans and estimates to be prepared for a building to accommodate the Patent Office of the United States, and report the estimated cost thereof to the Congress, provided that such plans and estimates be prepared under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury. And for the preparation of such plans and estimates a sum not to exceed \$5,000 is hereby authorized to be expended for employment of technical and engineering services without regard to civil-service laws, rules, or regulations in the Office of the Supervising Architect. That the foregoing authorization for the employment of technical and engineering services shall be in addition to and independent of the authorization and appropriations for personal services for the Office of the Supervising Architect otherwise made.

SEC. 18. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to sell, in whole or in part, the post-office site situated at Liberty Avenue and Sixteenth Street, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, at public or private sale, after proper advertisement, at such time and on such terms as he may deem to be to the best interests of the United States, and to execute a quitclaim deed to the purchaser or purchasers thereof, and to deposit the proceeds of said sale in the Treasury of the United States as a miscellaneous receipt: *Provided*, That all the land embraced in said site shall not be sold for less than an aggregate of \$750,000; the proceeds of such sale, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby authorized toward the purchase of another site for a post office building in said city of Pittsburgh.

SEC. 19. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, a site for a suitable building and approaches, for the use and accommodation of the United States post office and other governmental offices in the city of Newark, in the State of New Jersey, the cost of said site not to exceed the sum of \$800,000 and payment therefor to be made out of the proceeds of the sale of the old site and building hereinafter provided for: *Provided*, That such site shall not be acquired until the Secretary of the Treasury shall have entered into a contract on behalf of the United States with a responsible purchaser for the sale of the site now occupied in said city by the post office at a minimum price of \$1,800,000, such contract to provide for the use by the Government free of rent of said site and buildings thereon for governmental purposes until the completion and occupation by the Government of a building upon the site herein authorized to be acquired: *And further provided*, That the sale of the present site and building thereon shall be made only after proper advertisement and at such time and upon such terms as the Secretary of the Treasury may deem to be for the best interests of the United States, and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to execute and deliver to the purchaser a quitclaim deed. The balance of said proceeds in excess of the amount paid for the site is hereby authorized for the construction of a new building complete, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, and approaches, for the use of the United States post office and other governmental offices, said building to be erected on the site herein authorized to be purchased: *And provided further*, That the Secretary of the Treasury, in his discretion, may disregard the provision requiring forty feet open space for fire protection.

SEC. 20. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to select and acquire by purchase or otherwise a suitable site for a public building in Des Moines, Iowa, for the use of the courts of the United States and such other governmental purposes, except post-offices purposes, as may be necessary or convenient, the site to cost not more than \$100,000; and he is further authorized and directed to cause to be erected upon said site a suitable building for the aforesaid purposes, the building to cost not more than \$250,000. To acquire the site and erect the building there is hereby authorized the sum of \$350,000.

When said site has been acquired and the building erected thereon the Secretary of the Treasury shall sell the lots and building thereon now owned by the United States situated at the northeast corner of West Court Avenue and West Fifth Street in the city of Des Moines, Iowa, at not less than \$225,000, which shall be covered into the Treasury.

The said sale shall be made after notice published in at least three daily Des Moines newspapers once each day for not less than three weeks, upon bids received in pursuance of such notice and upon the terms deemed most advantageous to the United States.

Only that part of the money heretofore appropriated for the repair and modification of said building now in use as may be necessary to render the building fit for use by the district court and by other officers of the Government now using it, shall be expended, and the remainder shall be covered into the Treasury.

SEC. 21. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to prepare designs and estimates for a fire-proof national archives building of modern library-stack type of architecture, containing not less than three million cubic feet of space, suitable for the orderly storage of records, documents, and other papers which have accumulated in the various departments, independent establishments, and executive offices and in the files of the Senate and House of Representatives and are not needed for current use.

That the said designs and estimates shall be prepared with a view to the erection of the said building in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, upon a lot of land large enough to contain ultimately a building embracing eight million nine hundred thousand cubic feet of space.

That the said designs and estimates shall make provision for a building capable of subsequent extension, without impairing its architectural appearance from a capacity of three million cubic feet to a capacity of eight million nine hundred thousand cubic feet.

That before the said designs and estimates are completed inspection shall be made under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury of the best modern national archive buildings in Europe, and consultation shall be had with the best authorities in Europe on the construction and arrangement of archive buildings.

That the said designs and estimates shall provide for the construction of a building the total cost of which, including heating and ventilating apparatus, elevators, and approaches, complete, shall not exceed the sum of \$1,500,000.

That whenever the said designs and estimates have been approved by a commission consisting of the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of War, and the Secretary of the Interior, then the Secretary of the Treasury shall be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed, in his discretion, to purchase, or cause to be taken for public use, by condemnation or otherwise, as a site for said building, any piece of land of the size defined in this section the purchase of which shall be approved by the said commission.

That for the preparation of said designs and estimates the sum of \$5,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized to be expended for employment of technical and engineering services in the office of the Supervising Architect.

SEC. 22. That for the purpose of preventing the pollution and obstruction of Rock Creek and of connecting Potomac Park with the Zoological Park and Rock Creek Park, a commission, to be composed of the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of War, and the Secretary of Agriculture, is hereby authorized and directed to acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, such land and premises as are not now the property of the United States in the District of Columbia shown on the map on file in the office of the Engineer Commissioner of the District of Columbia, dated May seventeenth, nineteen hundred and eleven, and lying on both sides of Rock Creek, including such portion of the creek bed as may be in private ownership, between the Zoological Park and Potomac Park; and the sum of \$1,300,000 is hereby authorized to be expended toward the requirement of such land. That all lands now belonging

to the United States or to the District of Columbia lying within the exterior boundaries of the land to be acquired by this act as shown and designated on said map are hereby appropriated to and made a part of the parkway herein authorized to be acquired. One-half of the cost of the said lands shall be reimbursed to the Treasury of the United States out of the revenues of the District of Columbia in eight equal annual installments, with interest at the rate of three per centum per annum upon the deferred payments. That should the commission decide to institute condemnation proceedings in order to secure any or all of the land herein authorized to be acquired, such proceedings shall be in accordance with the provisions of the act of Congress approved August thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety, providing a site for the enlargement of the Government Printing Office (United States Statutes at Large, volume twenty-six, chapter eight hundred and thirty-seven).

SEC. 23. That a commission is hereby created, to consist of the President of the United States, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the chairman of the Committees on Public Buildings and Grounds of the Senate and House of Representatives, for the purpose of investigating and reporting to Congress a suitable design for a Memorial Bridge across the Potomac River, from the city of Washington, to a point at or near the Arlington estate in the State of Virginia; and the said commission is hereby authorized to expend the sum of \$25,000 in procuring such designs and for making such surveys and estimates of cost as they may deem advisable, and report as early as may be to Congress.

SEC. 24. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to acquire by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, the land adjoining the present Federal building site in Ardmore, Oklahoma, extending from said site to A Street by a depth of one hundred and forty-five feet in A Street, at a cost not exceeding \$8,000, said sum to be paid out of the balance heretofore authorized for building and site in said city.

SEC. 25. That for the purpose of beginning the construction on the site heretofore procured of a suitable and commodious fireproof building for the accommodation of the United States Subtreasury and other governmental offices at Saint Louis, Missouri, the sum of \$200,000 is hereby authorized: *Provided*, That this authorization shall not be construed as fixing the limit of cost of said building at the sum hereby named, but the building hereby provided for shall be constructed or planned so as to cost, complete, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, but exclusive of site, not exceeding \$1,000,000.

That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to enter into contracts for the construction of a suitable building for said purpose within the ultimate limit of cost above mentioned.

SEC. 26. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to enter into a contract or contracts for the erection and completion of fireproof laboratories and other buildings suitable and necessary for the investigations of the Bureau of Mines, on a site hereinafter provided, in the city of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, within the total limit of cost hereinafter fixed.

That the said laboratories and other buildings shall be constructed under the direction of and in accordance with plans and estimates to be approved by a board consisting of the Director of the Bureau of Mines, the Chief of Engineers of the Army, and the Supervising Architect of the Treasury, and shall be so constructed as to cost, complete, with the necessary railroad sidings, approaches, plumbing, lighting, heating, ventilating and hoisting apparatus, and other necessary appurtenances, not to exceed the sum of \$500,000, of which amount the sum of \$250,000 is hereby authorized and shall be immediately available for the preparation of plans for said laboratories and other buildings and for carrying forward construction work. And the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to employ, without regard to civil-service laws, rules, or regulations, and to pay for at customary rates of compensation, out of this authorization, such technical and engineering services as may be recommended by the above board, to serve exclusively in the Office of the Supervising Architect of the Treasury Department to aid in the preparation of plans and specifications for and to supervise the construction of the work herein provided for: *Provided*, That the foregoing authorization for the employment of technical and engineering services shall be in addition to and independent of the authorizations and appropriations for personal services for the Office of the Supervising Architect otherwise made.

That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized to transfer to the city of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, or to the board of public education of the said city of Pittsburgh, for public use, that part of the United States arsenal grounds in the city of Pittsburgh lying between Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Streets and between Butler Street and the tract of land transferred by the Secretary of War to the custody and control of the Treasury Department for a marine-hospital site by an instrument dated June first, nineteen hundred and four, under authority of the sundry civil Act of March third, nineteen hundred and three, the land to be transferred to the said city of Pittsburgh being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of the said tract of land transferred to the custody and control of the Treasury Department, and running thence along Fortieth Street in a northwesterly direction to the intersection of said street and Butler Street, one thousand one hundred and seventeen and one-half feet, more or less; thence along Butler Street in a southwesterly direction to the intersection of said street and Thirty-ninth Street, five hundred and twenty-three feet, more or less; thence along Thirty-ninth Street in a southeasterly direction to southwest corner of the said tract of land transferred to the custody and control of the Treasury Department, one thousand one hundred and one-half feet, more or less; and thence along the westerly boundary of said tract of land in a northeasterly direction to the place of beginning, five hundred and twenty-three feet, more or less; and containing thirteen and one-fourth acres, more or less, on the transfer by the board of public education of the city of Pittsburgh, or by the city of Pittsburgh, to the United States, for the use of the Bureau of Mines, under the Department of the Interior, as a site for the erection of the laboratories and other buildings hereinbefore provided for, of the tract of land in the said city of Pittsburgh, known as the Magee High School site, and lying on Forbes Street and the Baltimore

and Ohio Railroad, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning in the center of Boundary Street at its junction with Forbes Street and running north eighty-seven degrees thirty-six minutes forty-five seconds east parallel to Forbes Street for a distance of five hundred and thirty-six and two-tenths feet, more or less, to a stone monument; thence running south two degrees twenty-three minutes fifteen seconds east for a distance of one hundred and fifty feet, more or less, to a stone monument; thence north eighty-seven degrees thirty-six minutes forty-five seconds east for a distance of one hundred and fifteen feet, more or less, to a stone monument; thence north two degrees twenty-three minutes fifteen seconds west for a distance of fifty-eight and eighty-nine one-hundredths feet, more or less, to a stone monument; thence south fifty-two degrees twenty-six minutes fifteen seconds east for a distance of twenty and eighty one-hundredths feet, more or less, to a pin; thence south fifty degrees forty-one minutes fifteen seconds east for a distance of four hundred and thirteen and eight-tenths feet, more or less, to a pin; thence south fifteen degrees twenty-eight minutes forty-five seconds west for a distance of three hundred and twenty-six and seventy one-hundredths feet, more or less, to a pin; thence north seventy-six degrees forty-five minutes west for a distance of one thousand one hundred and forty-four and seventy-five one-hundredths feet, more or less, to the center of Boundary Street; and thence along the center of Boundary Street north twenty-eight degrees fifteen minutes east for a distance of four hundred and forty-four and thirty-eight one-hundredths feet, more or less, to the starting point, and containing an area of eleven and one-half acres, more or less: *Provided*, That before the above-described transfer by the Secretary of War to the city of Pittsburgh shall become effective, and as an express further consideration for said transfer, and for the surrender by the United States of a perpetual water supply now obtained from a reservoir located on the lands so to be transferred, the city of Pittsburgh, through its proper officers, shall covenant and agree, at its own expense, and within a reasonable time, to tap, within that part of the Pittsburgh supply depot and reservation between Butler Street and the Allegheny River retained by the United States, the forty-two inch water main belonging to the said city which now crosses the said reservation under a revocable license, and thereafter to furnish, in perpetuity free of charge to the United States, all the water needed of good quality for said purposes for all purposes upon the said reservation, and shall also agree to keep its own water main, pipes, hydrants, and other necessary appurtenances now located or hereafter to be located upon the same, in good condition and repair at its own expense. In case of failure of the city of Pittsburgh to do any and all things necessary to proper fulfillment of this provision, the reservoir, pipe lines, and so much of the land adjacent thereto on the part of the reservation which is to be transferred to the said city as may be needed for rights of way shall revert to the United States.

Sec. 27. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, additional ground adjoining the present site of the post office, customhouse, and courthouse at Utica, New York, at a cost not to exceed \$40,000; and that for the purpose of beginning the enlarge-

ment, extension, remodeling, repairing, or improvement upon the present site and the enlarged site herein provided for of said post office, customhouse, and courthouse and other governmental offices in said building, the sum of \$180,000 is hereby authorized: *Provided*, That this authorization shall not be construed as fixing the limit of cost of said enlargement, extension, remodeling, repairing, or improvement at the sum hereby named, but the enlargement hereby provided for shall be constructed or planned so as to cost, complete, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, not exceeding \$365,000.

SEC. 28. That the employment is hereby authorized of an architectural designer at a compensation of \$6,000 per annum, a structural engineering expert at \$5,000 per annum, and a heating, lighting, and ventilating engineering expert at \$5,000 per annum, to serve in the office of the Supervising Architect of the Treasury Department, to assist the Supervising Architect in connection with the designing and standardizing of public buildings authorized to be erected under the control of the Treasury Department and the mechanical equipment thereof, and in connection with architectural and engineering work of said office of unusual magnitude or complication: *Provided*, That such services may be employed without regard to civil-service laws, rules, or regulations, and no person now in the employ of the Supervising Architect's office shall be eligible to such employment: *And provided further*, That the foregoing authorization for the employment of technical experts to assist the Supervising Architect shall be in addition to and independent of the authorizations and appropriations for personal services for the office of the Supervising Architect otherwise made.

SEC. 29. That the limit of cost of the purchase of a site and the erection of an immigration station at Baltimore, Maryland, heretofore fixed at \$130,000, be, and the same is hereby, increased to \$280,000, and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to enter into contracts for the purchase of a site and the erection of a building or buildings in said city of Baltimore, Maryland, the cost of such building or buildings and site, including filling in for pier, grading, approaches, sea wall, incidental dredging, and so forth, but excluding furniture and furnishings, not to exceed the sum of \$280,000.

That the piece of ground forming a part of the land acquired by the United States about the year eighteen hundred and thirty-six as an addition to the grounds of Fort McHenry, in the State of Maryland, which is described as follows: "Beginning for the same at the intersection formed by the southwesternmost outline and the southeasternmost outline of the property of the Baltimore Dry Dock Company, as conveyed by George W. McCrary, Secretary of War, to Baltimore Dry Dock Company, March twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, and recorded in Liber F. A. P., eight hundred and thirty-six, folio five hundred and fifty-seven, of the records of Baltimore City, which point of beginning is the southernmost corner of said Baltimore Dry Dock Company's land; thence southeasterly binding on the said southwesternmost outline produced southeasterly in a straight line two hundred and thirty feet to intersect a line drawn southwesterly from the northwest branch of the Patapsco River parallel to the above-mentioned southeasternmost outline of Baltimore Dry Dock Company's land and two hundred and thirty feet there-

from measured at right angles thereto; thence northeasterly reversing said line so drawn and binding thereon five hundred and eighty-five feet, more or less, to the northwest branch of Patapsco River; thence northwesterly binding on said northwest branch of Patapsco River two hundred and thirty-eight feet, more or less, to the above-mentioned southeasternmost outline of Baltimore Dry Dock Company's land; thence southwesterly binding on said southeasternmost outline of Baltimore Dry Dock Company's land, six hundred and forty-two feet to the beginning, containing three and one-fourth acres, more or less," be, and the same is hereby, set aside and designated as a site for the immigration station to be constructed at the port of Baltimore; and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, sufficient land along the southwestern boundary of the lot ceded by the United States to the Baltimore Dry Dock Company and through the land of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company for an outlet from said immigration site and grounds to the city streets beyond, the said outlet not to cost more than \$20,000, and to be paid for out of the funds authorized for said immigration station; and the Secretary of the Treasury is further authorized to contract and arrange for railroad facilities upon said outlet and immigration site; and the Secretary of the Treasury is further authorized and directed to sell, in such manner and upon such terms as he may deem for the best interests of the United States, the site heretofore acquired for said immigration station in the city of Baltimore, Maryland; and to convey the last mentioned land to such purchaser by the usual quitclaim deed, and to deposit the proceeds derived from such sale in the Treasury of the United States as a miscellaneous receipt.

SEC. 30. That for the purpose of beginning the enlargement, extension, remodeling, repairing, rebuilding, or improvement, upon the present site, of the United States post office and courthouse at Kansas City, Missouri, so as to provide additional and necessary accommodations for the said post office, United States courts, and other governmental offices in said building, the sum of \$150,000 is hereby authorized: *Provided*, That this authorization shall not be construed as fixing the limit of cost of said enlargement, extension, remodeling, repairing, or improvement at the sum hereby named, but the enlargement hereby provided for shall be constructed or planned so as to cost, complete, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, not exceeding \$500,000.

That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized to enter into contracts for the enlargement, extension, remodeling, repairing, and improvement of said building within the ultimate limit of cost above stated.

SEC. 31. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to accept for the United States, by donation, without expense to the United States, a suitable site for the use and accommodation of the post office and other governmental offices at Malden, Massachusetts.

SEC. 32. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered to convey, by quitclaim deed, the building formerly used for post-office purposes and now known as the "Old Exchange," in the city of Charleston, South Carolina, to the Order of Daughters of the American Revolution in and of the State of South

Carolina, to be held by it as a historical memorial in trust for such use, care, and occupation thereof by the Rebecca Motte Chapter of said order, resident in the city of Charleston, State aforesaid, as the said chapter shall in its judgment deem to best subserve the preservation of said colonial building and promote the honorable and patriotic purpose for which the grant is requested: *Provided*, That the sixth lighthouse district shall continue to occupy the said building without cost to the Government, except for the upkeep, until provision is made for other quarters.

SEC. 33. That the Secretary of the Treasury shall require all owners or agents of sites in each city mentioned in this Act, where sites or additions to sites are to be purchased, to submit offers of sale in writing. And in case a site or addition to a site acquired under the provisions of this Act contains a building or buildings, the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to rent until their removal becomes necessary such of said buildings as may be purchased by the Government, or the land on which the same may be located, where the buildings are reserved by the vendors, at a fair rental value, the proceeds thereof to be deposited in the Treasury of the United States, and a report of the proceedings to be submitted to Congress annually: *Provided*, That each site selected under the provisions of this Act shall be bounded upon at least two sides by streets, unless otherwise specifically provided.

SEC. 34. That proposals for the sale of land suitable for all sites, or additions to sites, provided for in this Act, respectively, shall be invited by public advertisement in one of the newspapers of largest circulation of said cities, respectively, for at least twenty days prior to the date specified in said advertisement for the opening of said proposals. Proposals made in response to said advertisement shall be mailed and addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury, who shall then cause the said proposed sites, and such others as he may think proper to designate, to be examined in person by an agent of the Treasury Department, who shall make written report to said Secretary of the results of said examination and of his recommendation thereon and the reasons therefor, which shall be accompanied by the original proposals and all maps, plats, and statements which shall have come into his possession relating to the said proposed sites.

SEC. 35. That all buildings authorized to be constructed, enlarged, or extended under the provisions of this Act shall, unless otherwise provided herein, be unexposed to danger from fire by an open space of at least forty feet on each side, including streets and alleys: *Provided*, That in exceptional cases and for good cause shown the Secretary of the Treasury may, in his discretion, reduce the open space to less than forty feet and to any dimensions which he shall deem sufficient to afford fire protection.

SEC. 36. That a commission composed of the Secretary of the Treasury, the Postmaster General, the Attorney General, two members of the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate, and two Members of the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds of the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, shall with the aid of the Supervising Architect of the Treasury present to Congress a connected scheme, involving annual appropriations for the construction and completion of public buildings heretofore authorized

within a reasonable time, and shall frame a standard or standards by which the size and cost of public buildings shall, as far as practicable, be determined, and shall report as to the adaptability in size, accommodations, and cost of buildings hitherto authorized to the requirements of the communities in which they are to be located, and also whether the existing appropriations should be increased or diminished to meet such requirements, and that the sum of \$5,000 is hereby appropriated for the expenses of such inquiry.

Approved, March 4, 1913.

[PUBLIC—No. 108—63D CONGRESS.]

[H. R. 12806.]

An Act Authorizing the Secretary of War to grant the use of the Fort McHenry Military Reservation, in the State of Maryland, to the mayor and city council of Baltimore, a municipal corporation of the State of Maryland, making certain provisions in connection therewith, providing access to and from the site of the new immigration station heretofore set aside.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to grant permission to the mayor and city council of Baltimore, a municipal corporation of the State of Maryland, to occupy and use the military reservation of Fort McHenry, Maryland, except that part mentioned in section three hereof, and that part now in use by the Department of Commerce for a light and fog signal station under revocable license from the War Department, with the maintenance of the electric lines thereto, as a public park upon the agreement of said corporation to repair, maintain, and protect the reservation and the public property thereof during the continuance of its occupancy at its own expense: *Provided*, That the said permission shall be subject to such conditions, restrictions, rules, and regulations as the Secretary of War may from time to time prescribe: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of War may terminate the said permission to use said grounds whenever and at such time as he may deem it expedient to do so.

SEC. 2. That any and all repairs, improvements, changes, and alterations in the grounds, buildings, and other appurtenances to the reservation, made by the mayor and city council of Baltimore, shall be made only according to detailed plans submitted to, and approved by, the Secretary of War in each case, prior to the commencement of any work under such plans, and that all such repairs, improvements, changes, or alterations, made by said corporation, shall be made without expense to the United States, and in the event of the withdrawal of said permission, such improvements as the Secretary of War may deem valuable to the military service shall become the property of the United States without cost to the Government; and such structures as may have been placed upon the reservation by said corporation, which are directed to be removed therefrom by the Secretary of War, shall be removed forthwith and the grounds placed in a condition entirely satisfactory to him, at the expense of the mayor and city council of Baltimore, and no claim of any character whatever incident to the occupation by the city of said reservation shall ever be made by said corporation against the United States.

SEC. 3. That permission is hereby granted the Secretary of the Treasury to use permanently a strip of land sixty feet wide belonging to said fort grounds, beginning at the north corner of the present grounds of the fort and extending south sixty-three degrees thirty minutes east, six hundred and fifty feet to the south corner of the site set aside for the immigration station at Baltimore, said strip of land being located along the northwest boundary of the land ceded to the

Baltimore Dry Dock Company and the land of the said immigration station, the same to be used, if so desired, in lieu of acquiring, by purchase or condemnation, any of the lands of the dry dock company, so that the Secretary of the Treasury may, in connection with land to be acquired from the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, have access to and from said immigration station and grounds over the right of way so acquired to the city streets and railroads beyond, the Secretary of the Treasury to have the same power to construct, contract for, and arrange for railroad and other facilities upon said outlet as fully as provided in the Act approved March fourth, nineteen hundred and thirteen, setting aside a site for an immigration station and providing for an outlet therefrom: *Provided, however,* That if the Secretary of the Treasury accepts and makes use of said strip of land for the purposes aforesaid, the War Department shall have equal use of the railroad track and other roads constructed over which to reach the city streets and railroads beyond from the other parts of the fort grounds.

Approved, May 26, 1914.

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Requires Act of Congress
Assent of War Dept.

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62D CONGRESS, }
3D SESSION. } H. R. 28280.

A BILL

To authorize the use as a site for the United States immigration station and grounds at the port of Baltimore of a piece of land acquired by the United States about the year eighteen hundred and thirty-six as part of an addition to Fort McHenry, in the State of Maryland, and which is now under the control of the War Department, and authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to acquire an outlet therefrom to the city streets and to contract and arrange for necessary railroad facilities.

By Mr. LINTHICUM.

JANUARY 20, 1913.—Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs and ordered to be printed.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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Whereas by an Act of Congress approved August sixteenth, nineteen hundred and twelve, Fort McHenry, in the State of Maryland, and the grounds therewith connected were designated a Government reservation under control of the War Department, which Act, however, provided that a pier might be erected from said reservation for governmental purposes with ingress and egress thereto; and

Whereas it is desired to locate the immigration station at Baltimore upon the water front and to receive immigrants directly thereupon and under the immediate jurisdiction and control of the National Government; and

Whereas no other available location near so desirable as the land above mentioned can possibly be acquired: Now, therefore,

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the piece of ground forming a part of the land acquired
4 by the United States about the year eighteen hundred and
5 thirty-six as an addition to the grounds of Fort McHenry, in
6 the State of Maryland, which is described as follows: Begin-
7 ning for the same at the intersection formed by the south-
8 westernmost outline and the southeasternmost outline of the
9 property of the Baltimore Dry Dock Company, as conveyed
10 by George W. McCrary, Secretary of War, to Baltimore
11 Dry Dock Company, March twenty-sixth, eighteen hundred
12 and seventy-nine, and recorded in Liber F. A. P. eight
13 hundred and thirty-six, folio five hundred and fifty-seven, of
14 the records of Baltimore City, which point of beginning is
15 the southernmost corner of said Baltimore Dry Dock Com-
16 pany's land; thence southeasterly binding on the said south-
17 westernmost outline produced southeasterly in a straight
18 line two hundred and thirty feet to intersect a line drawn
19 southwesterly from the Northwest Branch of Patapsco
20 River parallel to the above-mentioned southeasternmost
21 outline of Baltimore Dry Dock Company's land, and two
22 hundred and thirty feet therefrom measured at right angles
23 thereto; thence northeasterly reversing said line so drawn

1 and binding thereon five hundred and eighty-five feet, more
2 or less, to the Northwest Branch of Patapsco River; thence
3 northwesterly binding on said Northwest Branch of Pa-
4 tapsco River two hundred and thirty-eight feet, more or
5 less, to the above-mentioned southeasternmost outline of
6 Baltimore Dry Dock Company's land; thence southwesterly
7 binding on said southeasternmost outline of Baltimore Dry
8 Dock Company's land six hundred and forty-two feet to the
9 beginning, containing three and one-fourth acres, more or
10 less, be, and the same is hereby, set aside and designated
11 as a site for the immigration station to be constructed at the
12 port of Baltimore; and the Secretary of the Treasury is
13 hereby authorized to acquire sufficient land along the south-
14 western boundary of the lot ceded by the United States to
15 the Baltimore Dry Dock Company, and through the land of
16 the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, for an outlet
17 from said immigration site and grounds to the city streets
18 beyond, the said outlet not to cost more than \$20,000 and to
19 be paid for out of the funds appropriated for said immigra-
20 tion station; and the Secretary of the Treasury is further
21 authorized to contract and arrange for railroad facilities upon
22 said outlet and immigration site.

At a Meeting of the Society of the War of 1812 in Maryland held on May 7, 1912, it was the sense of the meeting that some action should be taken by the Maryland Society looking to the preservation and perpetuation of Fort McHenry;

That the memorable repulse of the British fleet in the War of 1812; the heroism of its garrison and the inspiring gallantry displayed by the little band of patriots being so compelling as to fire the spirit of one of Maryland's distinguished Sons to pen the Star Spangled banner, our National Anthem, should command the best efforts of this Society ⁱⁿ ~~to take~~ some action looking to the perpetual holding of this sacred spot as an enduring monument to the bravery of our troops;

~~Be it~~ Resolved, that ~~this~~ Society ^{of the War of 1812} commend the action of the ^{70th of May} Congress of the ^{Senate} United States in its attitude towards Fort McHenry; that it heartily endorse the

Senate No 6307
Bill introduced entitled " A Bill to Perpetuate and Preserve Fort McHenry and the Grounds Connected therewith as a Government Reservation under the Control of the Secretary of War; and to authorize its Partial use as a Museum of Historic Relics"

and passed by the Senate April 11/12. and now before
~~Resolved further that this Society does hereby tender its thanks to the Sena-~~

~~tors and Representatives in Congress from Maryland for their efforts in furth-~~
er its introduction, and respectfully urges them to continue their efforts

Bill
until the ~~same~~ is finally passed and approved; and that a Copy of this Resolu-
tion be sent to each of the ~~Senators~~ and Representatives from Maryland.

Committee of M. S. W. of the War of 1812

May 10th 1912

Hon. Thomas Parran,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of this Society held on the 7th inst., the following resolution was offered and adopted:

"Resolve, that the Society of the War of 1812 this 7th day of May commend the action of the Senate of the United States in its attitude towards Fort McHenry, that it heartily endorse the Senate Bill No. 6354 introduced entitled "A Bill to Perpetuate and Preserve Fort McHenry and the Grounds Connected therewith as a Government Reservation under the Control of the Secretary of War; and to authorize its Partial use as a Museum of Historic Relics", and passed by the Senate April 18th, 1912, and now before the Committee of Military Affairs of the House of Representatives.

"Resolve, that the Representatives from Maryland be respectfully urged to continue their efforts until the Bill is finally passed and approved; and that a copy of this Resolution be sent to each of the Representatives from Maryland".

With best regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

May 10th 1912

Hon. Joshua F. C. Talbott,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

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"Resolve, that the Representatives from Maryland be respectfully urged to continue their efforts until the Bill is finally passed and approved; and that a Copy of this Resolution be sent to each of the Representatives from Maryland".

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"Resolve, that the Representatives from Maryland be respectfully urged to continue their efforts until the Bill is finally passed and approved; and that a Copy of this Resolution be sent to each of the Representatives from Maryland".

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Hon. J. Charles Linthicum,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

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"Resolve, that the Representatives from Maryland be respectfully urged to continue their efforts until the Bill is finally passed and approved; and that a Copy of this Resolution be sent to each of the Representatives from Maryland".

With best regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

May 10th 1912

Hon. David J. Lewis,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

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"Resolve, that the Representatives from Maryland be respectfully urged to continue their efforts until the Bill is finally passed and approved; and that a copy of this Resolution be sent to each of the Representatives from Maryland".

With best regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

May 11th 1913

Chairman of the Committee
of Military Affairs,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of this Society held on the 7th inst., the following resolution was offered and adopted:

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With best regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

May 11th 1912.

Mrs. Hattersly W. Talbott,
Rockville,
Md.

Madam:-

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of this Society held on the 7th inst., the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

"Resolve, That the Society of the War 1812 in Maryland learns with deep regret of the decease of Mr. Hattersly W. Talbott, one of the oldest members of this Society, and that a memorial page be set aside in the archives of the Society to his memory, and that the Secretary be instructed to extend our sympathy to his bereaved family".

With kindest regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES U. S.
COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AFFAIRS
WASHINGTON, D. C.

May 11, 1912

Mr. J. Curtis Handley, Secretary,
Society of the War of 1812,
10 South Street, Baltimore, Md.

Dear Mr. Handley:

I am in receipt of the copy of the resolutions adopted by your Society, relative to the Senate Bill for the preservation of Fort McHenry, and same shall have due attention when the bill comes up for consideration.

Yours very sincerely,

David J. Lewis

At a meeting of the Board of Managers of the Society of the War of 1812 in the State of Maryland, it was resolved that the following declaration of this organization be addressed to the Honorable James H. Preston, Mayor of Baltimore, and to the Board of Estimates.

Whereas through the individual and collective efforts of the Members of the Society of the War of 1812 in the State of Maryland, and the magnificent work of the Maryland delegation in the upper and lower houses of Congress, aided in no small way by the personal efforts of our present Mayor and prominent citizens of the State of Maryland, Fort McHenry, that Historic spot around whose sacred portal lingers the memory of deeds of valor which not only contributed largely to the preservation of that Union, which now in the vigor of its conservative might is the power of the World, but whose intrepid defense inspired the National Anthem, has become the property of the City of Baltimore.

And Whereas each individual and concerted effort looking to securing this gift from the Government of the United States carried with it the pledge that its integrity should be preserved, its sacred traditions honored, and its history emphasized.

And Whereas it has come to the attention of the Society of the War of 1812, that overtures have been made by representatives of yacht and boat clubs to erect on the site of Fort McHenry permanent structures for the exclusive use of members of these organizations, and that tentative propositions looking to securing available space for this purpose are now before his Honor, the Mayor, and Members of the Board of Estimates.

And Whereas, without committing its membership on the expediency of opening the subject of whether any portion of the public park system of our fair City should be given over to the exclusive use of any individual or association of individuals, feeling that the mere suggestion of the establishment of such a precedent will evoke the careful deliberations of your Honorable Body, the Society of the War of 1812 in the State of Maryland most earnestly appeals to the Mayor and the Board of Estimates, that should it consider such propositions favorably, that the space allotted to them, and any building of a private or semi public nature will be erected on such portions of the Fort McHenry grounds as were not included in the original fortifications; to the end that the bastion and setting of the Fort grounds as originally held, may so far as possible be historically preserved, and that no act be sanctioned by the City of Baltimore in the premises which is inconsistent with the preservation of the dignity and historic influence of the point where the waters of the Patapsco met the flow of the blood of their sires offered on the Altar of American Liberty.

Be it resolved that this declaration be spread on the minutes and a copy of the same sent to the Mayor and Board of Estimates, not in any spirit of antagonism to the Boat Clubs who are about to leave their homes and with whom we deeply sympathize, nor in any spirit of fear that the public and patriotic interests of the citizens of Baltimore will not be amply safeguarded, but in that broad spirit of patriotism which is the compelling expression of the Manhood of our Society -

"Lest we forget."

68TH CONGRESS, }
1ST SESSION. } **H. R. 5261**

A BILL

To repeal and reenact chapter 100, 1914, Public, Numbered 108, to provide for the restoration of Fort McHenry, in the State of Maryland, and its permanent preservation as a national park and perpetual national memorial shrine as the birthplace of the immortal "Star-Spangled Banner," written by Francis Scott Key, for the appropriation of the necessary funds, and for other purposes.

By **Mr. LINTHICUM.**

JANUARY 11, 1924.

Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs and
ordered to be printed.

H. R. 5261

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

JANUARY 11, 1924.

Mr. LINTHICUM introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs and ordered to be printed.

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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 That an Act authorizing the Secretary of War to grant the
4 use of the Fort McHenry Military Reservation in the State
5 of Maryland to the mayor and city council of Baltimore, a
6 municipal corporation of the State of Maryland, making cer-
7 tain provisions in connection therewith, providing access
8 to and from the site of the new immigration station hereto-
9 fore set aside be, and hereby is, repealed and reenacted to
10 read as follows:

1 they would enjoy if this were a part of the park system of
2 Baltimore city.

3 "That any and all repairs, improvements, changes, and
4 alterations in the grounds, buildings, and other appurtenances
5 to the reservation shall be made only according to detailed
6 plans which shall be approved by the Secretary of War, and
7 all such repairs, improvements, or alterations shall be made
8 at the expense of the United States, and all such improve-
9 ments, together with the reservation itself, shall become and
10 remain permanently the property of the United States:
11 *Provided*, That permission is hereby granted the Secretary
12 of the Treasury to use permanently a strip of land sixty feet
13 wide belonging to said fort grounds, beginning at the north
14 corner of the present grounds of the fort and extending south
15 sixty-three degrees thirty minutes east, six hundred and fifty
16 feet to the south corner of the site set aside for the immi-
17 gration station at Baltimore, said strip of land being located
18 along the northwest boundary of the land ceded to the
19 Baltimore Dry Dock Company and the land of the
20 immigration station, the same to be used, if so de-
21 lieu of acquiring, by purchase or condemnation, any
22 lands of the dry dock company so that the Secretary
23 Treasury may, in connection with land acquired from
24 Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, have access to
25 from said immigration station and grounds over the right

1 way so acquired to the city streets and railroads beyond, the
2 Secretary of the Treasury to have the same power to con-
3 struct, contract for, and arrange for railroad and other
4 facilities upon said outlet as fully as provided in the Act
5 approved March 4, 1913, setting aside a site for an immigra-
6 tion station and providing for an outlet therefrom: *Provided,*
7 *however,* That if the Secretary of the Treasury accepts and
8 makes use of said strip of land for the purposes aforesaid the
9 War Department shall have equal use of the railroad track
10 and other roads constructed over which to reach the city
11 streets and railroads beyond from the other parts of the fort
12 grounds: *Provided further,* That the Secretary of War may,
13 in case of a national emergency or war temporarily, and only
14 for the period of such war, close the said military reservation
15 and use it, if he shall deem it to be necessary, for military
16 purposes.

17 "That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated,
18 out of any funds in the Treasury of the United States not
heretofore appropriated, the sum of \$100,000, or so much
thereof as may be necessary, for use by the Secretary of
War in the restoration of said military reservation and for
other purposes consistent with this Act, and the further sum
of \$10,000 annually for the maintenance and care of the
reservation."

THE
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE

WHEREAS, Fort McHenry is probably the most notable national heritage of the City of Baltimore in that it was the scene of the defense of the liberties of the American Colonies in the War of 1812-14, and is the birthplace of THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER written on that occasion; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Society of the War of 1812, being composed of descendants of those who fought during that war and numerous other citizens - members of patriotic societies - are most anxious that this hallowed ground should be preserved as a spot sacred to the patriotism of the citizens of the United States; and

WHEREAS, A bill has been recently introduced in the House of Representatives (H. R. 5261) by the Honorable J. Charles Linthicum, Member of Congress from this State, by the terms of which Fort McHenry would be placed in the care of the Secretary of War for preservation as a National Park; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, representing the feelings and desires of her citizens on the subject, are in most hearty accord with the objects of said bill; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, aforesaid, that said bill be and the same is fully approved by them; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Congress of the United States is hereby petitioned to pass the said bill without delay to the end that further destruction of said property may be prevented, and that the same shall be set apart, preserved and venerated by all true lovers of our country for all time; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Members of Congress from this State be earnestly requested to co-operate in the fullest measure in having said bill enacted into law, and that copies of this resolution, duly signed by his Honor, the Mayor, be forwarded to his Excellency, the Governor of this State; the Honorable Charles Linthicum, Member of Congress, and the Honorable the Secretary of War of the United States.

HOWARD W. JACKSON

MAYOR.

January 14, 1924.

67TH CONGRESS, }
1ST SESSION. } H. R. 8819.

A BILL

To preserve in perpetuity Forts McHenry
and Carroll, located in Baltimore, Mary-
land.

By Mr. HILL.

OCTOBER 24, 1921.—Referred to the Committee on
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H. R. 8819.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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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 That Fort McHenry, Baltimore, Maryland, and Fort Carroll,
4 Baltimore, Maryland, if and when not required for military
5 purposes, be deeded at once to the mayor and city council
6 of Baltimore, to be kept and maintained in perpetuity as
7 national monuments and memorials.

67TH CONGRESS, }
2D SESSION. }

S. 3349.

A BILL

To amend the Act approved May 26, 1914, entitled "An Act authorizing the Secretary of War to grant the use of the Fort McHenry Military Reservation, in the State of Maryland, to the mayor and city council of Baltimore, a municipal corporation of the State of Maryland, making certain provisions in connection therewith, providing access to and from the site of the new immigration station heretofore set aside;" to provide for the restoration of Fort McHenry and its permanent preservation as a national park and perpetual national memorial shrine as the birthplace of the immortal "Star-Spangled Banner," written by Francis Scott Key, for the appropriation of the necessary funds, and for other purposes.

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MARCH 16 (calendar day, MARCH 28), 1922.—Read twice and referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

67TH CONGRESS,
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1 Fort McHenry Military Reservation, in the State of Mary-
2 land, to the mayor and city council of Baltimore, a munici-
3 pal corporation of the State of Maryland, making certain
4 provisions in connection therewith, providing access to and
5 from the site of the new immigration station heretofore set
6 aside," be, and hereby is, amended to read as follows:

7 "That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby,
8 authorized and directed, so soon as it may no longer be
9 needed for uses and needs growing out of the recent war,
10 to begin the restoration of Fort McHenry, in the State of
11 Maryland, now occupied and used as a military reservation,
12 including the restoration of the old Fort McHenry proper,
13 to the condition in which it was on the 1st of September,
14 1814, and to place the whole of said military reservation
15 in such a condition as would make it suitable for preserva-
16 tion permanently as a national park and perpetual national
17 memorial shrine as the birthplace of the immortal 'Star-
18 Spangled Banner,' written by Francis Scott Key; and that
19 the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, further author-
20 ized and directed, as are his successors, to hold the said
21 Fort McHenry in perpetuity as a military reservation,
22 national park and memorial, and to maintain it as such,
23 except that part mentioned in section 3 hereof, and that
24 part now in use by the Department of Commerce for a light
25 and fog-signal station under revokable license from the War

1 Department with the maintenance of the electric lights
2 thereto, the said reservation to be maintained as a national
3 public park, subject to such regulations as may from time
4 to time be issued by the Secretary of War: *Provided*, That
5 the citizens of Baltimore city and of the State of Maryland
6 shall be given as free and full access to and use of said
7 national park as they would enjoy if this were a part of
8 the park system of Baltimore city.

9 “SEC. 2. That any and all repairs, improvements,
10 changes, and alterations in the grounds, buildings, and other
11 appurtenances to the reservation, shall be made only accord-
12 ing to detailed plans which shall be approved by the Sec-
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18 the Secretary of the Treasury to use permanently a strip
19 of land sixty feet wide belonging to said fort grounds, be-
20 ginning at the north corner of the present grounds of the
21 fort and extending south sixty-three degrees thirty minutes
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1 land of the said immigration station, the same to be used,
2 if so desired, in lieu of acquiring, by purchase or condemna-
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4 Secretary of the Treasury may, in connection with land
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10 road and other facilities upon said outlet as fully as provided
11 in the Act, approved March 4, 1913, setting aside a site
12 for an immigration station and providing for an outlet there-
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14 Treasury accepts and makes use of said strip of land for the
15 purposes aforesaid, the War Department shall have equal
16 use of the railroad track and other roads constructed over
17 which to reach the city streets and railroads beyond from
18 the other parts of the fort grounds: *Provided further,* That
19 the Secretary of War may, in case of a national emergency
20 or war, temporarily and only for the period of such war,
21 close the said military reservation and use it, if he shall
22 deem it to be necessary, for military purposes.

23 “SEC. 3. That there be, and hereby is, authorized to
24 be appropriated, out of funds in the Treasury of the United
25 States heretofore made available but not appropriated, the

1 sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary,
2 for use by the Secretary of War in the restoration of said
3 military reservation, and for other purposes, consistent with
4 this Act, and further that there be, and hereby is, appro-
5 priated \$10,000 annually for the maintenance and care of
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A BILL

67TH CONGRESS, }
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Amendments in red -

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Hill's proposed bill
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- 1912 - Apl. 3 - Gen. Wood - Rayner
- 1912 - Apl. 15 - Rayner introduces
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Resolution of S.R.
- 1912 - Apr. 27 - Conference Linthicum
- 1912 - Jul. 11 - House Com. Mil. Affrs.
wh. approves bill
- 1914 - Feb. 3 - Breckenridge, Asst.
Secty War.
- 1914. May 26. Act ceding to City*
- 1921 - Oct. 24 - Weller, as to threat-
ened sale.
- 1921 - Oct. 27 - Bland (Booklet)-Weller
France-Linthicum-Hill
Blakeney-Key Compton
- 1922 - Jan. 24 - Spl. Mtg. Md. Hist. Socy.
Resolution (France)
- 1922 - Mch. 1 - Joint Resolution, Md.
- 1924 - Jan. 14 - Formal resolution of
Md. Hist. Socy. (2nd)
- 1924 - Apl. 16 - Hearing Mil. Com.
- 1924 - Apl. 24 - 1812 Com. Mtg.

*Meeting of
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Key Monument



ATTENTION TO ORDERS!

NUMBER . . . 4 - 1972 1 Fort McHenry, Baltimore, Maryland, July the 13th, 1972

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, A PROCLAMATION:

Whereas Francis Scott Key, after having anxiously watched from afar the bombardment of Fort McHenry throughout the night of september 13th, 1814, saw his country's flag still flying in the Early morning of the following day; and

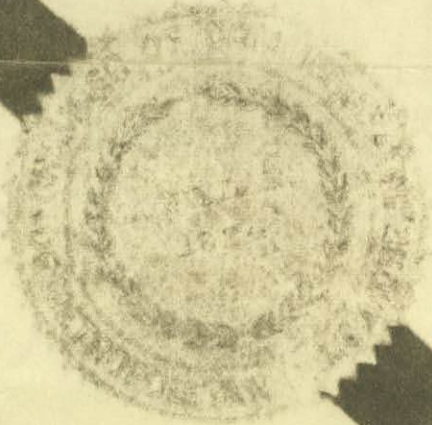
WHEREAS THIS STIRRING EVIDENCE OF THE FAILURE OF THE PROLONGED
Attack inspired him to write the Star Spangled Banner, our national anthem;

NOW THEREFORE I, HARRY S. TRUMAN, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
Of America and Commander in Chief of the Army and Navy, do hereby proclaim that, as a perpetual
symbol of our patriotism, the flag of the United States shall hereafter be displayed at Fort McHenry
National Monument and Historic Shrine at all times of the day and night . . .

DONE AT THE CITY OF WASHINGTON THIS SECOND DAY OF JULY IN THE
Year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-eight, and of the
Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and seventy-second.

HARRY S. TRUMAN
President of the United States

REAFFIRMED AND CARRIED OUT AT FORT McHENRY THIS THIRTEENTH DAY OF JULY
In the Year of our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Seventy Two



Jean Hofmeister

COLONEL OF THE FORT McHENRY GUARD

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President, The Star-Spangled Banner
Flag House Association

SOCIETY OF
THE WAR OF 1812
IN MARYLAND

*Preamble and
Resolutions*

Society of the War of 1812, in Maryland

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Preamble and Resolutions

WHEN, in the year 1814, the City of Washington had been burned and the attack upon Baltimore by land and water had been planned in the confident hope that upon success crowning this effort the “nest of pirates at the head of the Chesapeake” would be captured and Annapolis and other cities would soon thereafter come within the control of the British;

And when the massing of the British Fleet of fifty ships and an army of trained soldiers about six thousand in number, against the people of Baltimore, had stirred her citizens to as high a pitch of patriotism as ever inspired the sons of any land—and many of them left their offices and places of business and hurried to Fort McHenry and other defenses, anxiously took up whatever arms there were at hand and assumed their positions, determined to resist the invader or die in the attempt.

AND WHEREAS, the principal part of the action which inspired the Star Spangled Banner (that grand Marseillaise of our Country) and finally drove the British power from our land forever—was fought from Fort McHenry, which was thereby sanctified by the bravery as well as by the blood of the sons of Maryland;

AND WHEREAS, the citizens of this State in general and

the members of the Society of the War of 1812 in Maryland (being descendants of those who fought in that war), in particular, most earnestly desire that this spot, so sacred in the memories of our Country's history, should be set apart, preserved and venerated by all true lovers of our Country for all time;

AND WHEREAS a bill has been offered in the Congress of the United States by the provisions of which Fort McHenry would be preserved by the Federal Government as a National Park, which bill has been approved and endorsed by representative citizens and patriotic societies throughout the Country;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that The Society of the War of 1812, in Maryland, at its One hundred and ninth Annual Meeting, expressing its deep and profound regret at the delay in the passage of said bill, again records most feelingly its earnest desire and request that the said bill be enacted into law without delay;

And we do most solemnly call upon all the Senators and Representatives from this State in Congress to work from now henceforth and without ceasing, for the passage of said bill, feeling convinced that, when set apart for the veneration and respect of all, and for no other use or purpose, the citizenry of these United States will look toward Fort McHenry as one of the Meccas of American patriotism and glory, which will inspire all who really love their country to preserve her laws and institutions as they were outlined by the founders of the Republic and to guard and defend her against all enemies, if necessary, with life itself.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this Resolution be

sent to each of the United States Senators and Representatives in Congress from this State, and that a copy also be sent to His Excellency the Governor of the State of Maryland and to His Honor the Mayor of the City of Baltimore.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. FOLEY HISKY,

JOHN L. SANFORD,

JOSIAS PENNINGTON,

Committee.

Joint Resolution No. 1

CHAPTER NO. _____

JOINT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING the Congress of the United States to repeal the Act approved May 26, 1914 (38 Stat. 382) and all similar legislation, if any, whereby permission was granted to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to establish a park upon the Fort McHenry military reservation at the port of Baltimore subject to the right of the United States Government at any time to retake possession of said reservation and any improvements which might be placed thereon by the City of Baltimore; and requesting Congress to expressly declare that the Fort McHenry military reservation ought to be retained permanently by the United States Government and preserved and maintained by it as a national park for the purpose of commemorating the part played by the old Fort in the defense of the United States in the War of 1812.

1 WHEREAS, The first of September, 1814, saw the City of
2 Washington burned, the handful of American warships driven
3 to port by force of superior numbers, the Atlantic Coast from
4 Maine to Louisiana open to attack, and the fate of the Union
5 in the balance, and that then Fort McHenry stood firm against
6 the invader, redeemed our eastern seaboard and delivered the
7 Federal Government from disaster or ruin;

1 WHEREAS, great as were the services which Fort McHenry
2 rendered, our Government, now the most powerful in the
3 world, has done little to commemorate the spot which
4 inspired "The Star-Spangled Banner,"—a spot which not only

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5 rescued the Republic in an hour of grave difficulty, but brought
6 the war with Britain to a close and ushered in a century of
7 peace;

1 WHEREAS, The time has come for our Federal Government
2 to show an active interest in the fact that Fort McHenry
3 marks the spot where a decisive blow in the War of 1812 was
4 struck; where Francis Scott Key was inspired to write Amer-
5 ica's national anthem—"The Star-Spangled Banner";

1 WHEREAS, We could pay no finer tribute to those immor-
2 tals whose blood was spilled at the altar of liberty in 1776, in
3 1812, and in 1918, than to restore Fort McHenry to its con-
4 dition in those early days of the Republic, with the ancient
5 cannon once more set, by removing unsightly buildings from
6 its ground, and by dedicating it as a National Park to the
7 carrying out of the ideals of Americanization, as we have done
8 at Yorktown.

1 *Be it resolved, therefore,* That we, the Senate of the State
2 of Maryland and the House of Delegates of the State of Mary-
3 land in joint session request the Congress of the United States
4 assembled at Washington to rescind any and all acts looking
5 to the abandonment of the Fort McHenry military reserva-
6 tion by the United States Government or ceding it to any
7 state or city, and to declare in the name of the people of the
8 United States that this sacred ground shall be restored to its
9 historical condition and preserved by the Government it saved
10 in 1814, as a National Park and a memorial to the patriots
11 who proved their right to liberty by the deeds which they
12 performed in the War of 1812.

Approved:

ALBERT C. RITCHIE,
Governor.

WILLIAM I. NORRIS,
President of the Senate.

JOHN L. G. LEE,
Speaker of the House of Delegates.

Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his
approval this 1st day of March, 1922, at three o'clock P. M.

EMERSON R. CROTHERS,
Secretary.