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To establish the Ste. Genevieve National Historic Site in the State of Missouri, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SMITH of Missouri introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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and ordered to be printed

A BILL

To establish the Ste. Genevieve National Historic Site in
the State of Missouri, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Ste. Genevieve Na-
5 tional Historical Park Establishment Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) HISTORIC DISTRICT.—The term “Historic
9 District” means the Ste. Genevieve Historic District
10 National Historic Landmark, as generally depicted
11 on the Map.

12 (2) HISTORICAL PARK.—The term “Historical
13 Park” means the Ste. Genevieve National Historical
14 Park established by section 3(a).

15 (3) MAP.—The term “Map” means the map en-
16 titled “Ste. Genevieve National Historical Park Pro-
17 posed Boundary”, numbered 571/132,626, and
18 dated May 2016.

19 (4) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
20 the Secretary of the Interior.

21 (5) SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY.—The term
22 “special resource study” means the study entitled
23 “Ste. Genevieve Final Special Resources Study and
24 Environmental Assessment, Missouri” and dated
25 May 2016.

1 (6) STATE.—The term “State” means the State
2 of Missouri.

3 **SEC. 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE STE. GENEVIEVE NA-**
4 **TIONAL HISTORICAL PARK.**

5 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),
7 there is established the Ste. Genevieve National His-
8 torical Park in the State as a unit of the National
9 Park System to preserve, protect, and interpret for
10 the benefit of present and future generations the
11 themes of French settlement, vernacular architec-
12 ture, and community form and farming on the fron-
13 tier associated with Ste. Genevieve.

14 (2) CONDITIONS FOR ESTABLISHMENT.—The
15 Historical Park shall not be established until the
16 date on which the Secretary determines that—

17 (A) sufficient land has been acquired for
18 the Historical Park to constitute a manageable
19 unit; and

20 (B) the Secretary has entered into a writ-
21 ten agreement providing that land owned by the
22 State, the City of Ste. Genevieve, or other enti-
23 ty within the Historic District shall be managed
24 consistent with the purposes of this Act.

1 (b) BOUNDARIES.—The boundaries of the Historical
2 Park shall be the boundaries generally depicted on the
3 Map.

4 (c) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The Map shall be on file
5 and available for public inspection in the appropriate of-
6 fices of the National Park Service.

7 (d) ACQUISITION AUTHORITY.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may acquire
9 any land or interest in land located within the
10 boundary of the Historical Park or any nationally
11 significant property identified in the special resource
12 study within the Historic District by—

13 (A) donation;

14 (B) purchase with donated or appropriated
15 funds; or

16 (C) exchange.

17 (2) BOUNDARY REVISION.—On the acquisition
18 of any property within the Historic District under
19 paragraph (1), the Secretary shall revise the bound-
20 ary of the Historical Park to include the property.

21 (e) ADMINISTRATION.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall admin-
23 ister the Historical Park in accordance with—

24 (A) this Act; and

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

3 (i) section 100101(a), chapter 1003,
4 and sections 100751(a), 100752, 100753,
5 and 102101 of title 54, United States
6 Code; and

7 (ii) chapter 3201 of title 54, United
8 States Code.

9 (2) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—

10 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years
11 after the date on which funds are made avail-
12 able to prepare a general management plan for
13 the Historical Park, the Secretary shall prepare
14 the general management plan in accordance
15 with section 100502 of title 54, United States
16 Code.

17 (B) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—On com-
18 pletion of the general management plan under
19 subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall submit to
20 the Committee on Natural Resources of the
21 House of Representatives and the Committee
22 on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate
23 the general management plan.

24 (3) RELATED SITES.—The Secretary may pro-
25 vide interpretative tours and educational programs

1 at related historic and cultural sites within the His-
2 toric District associated with the purposes for which
3 the Historical Park is established.

4 (f) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may provide
6 technical assistance and enter into cooperative
7 agreements with the owner of a nationally signifi-
8 cant property within the Historical Park or the His-
9 toric District, to identify, mark, interpret, improve,
10 and restore the property.

11 (2) RIGHT OF ACCESS.—A cooperative agree-
12 ment entered into under paragraph (1) shall provide
13 that the Secretary, acting through the Director of
14 the National Park Service, shall have the right of
15 access at all reasonable times to all public portions
16 of the property covered by the agreement for the
17 purposes of—

18 (A) conducting visitors through the prop-
19 erty; and

20 (B) interpreting the property for the pub-
21 lic.

22 (3) COST-SHARING REQUIREMENT.—

23 (A) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share
24 of the total cost of any activity carried out
25 under a cooperative agreement entered into

1 under this subsection shall be not more than 50
2 percent.

3 (B) FORM OF NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—The
4 non-Federal share of an activity carried out
5 under a cooperative agreement entered into
6 under this subsection may be in the form of do-
7 nated property, goods, or services fairly valued.

8 (4) CHANGES OR ALTERATIONS.—No changes
9 or alterations shall be made to any property or
10 project covered by a cooperative agreement entered
11 into under paragraph (1) unless the Secretary and
12 the other party to the agreement agree to the
13 changes or alterations.

14 (5) CONVERSION, USE, OR DISPOSAL.—Any
15 payment by the Secretary under this subsection shall
16 be subject to an agreement that the conversion, use,
17 or disposal of a property or project for purposes con-
18 trary to the purposes of this section, as determined
19 by the Secretary, shall entitle the United States to
20 reimbursement in any amount equal to the greater
21 of—

22 (A) the amounts made available to the
23 property or project by the United States; or

24 (B) the portion of the increased value of
25 the property or project attributable to the

1 amounts made available under this subsection,
2 as determined at the time of the conversion,
3 use, or disposal.

4 (g) LIMITED ROLE OF THE SECRETARY.—Nothing in
5 this Act authorizes the Secretary to assume overall finan-
6 cial responsibility for the operation, maintenance, or man-
7 agement of the Historic District.