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# S. 214

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## AN ACT

To authorize the construction of a memorial on Federal land in the District of Columbia or its environs to honor members of the Armed Forces who served in World War II and to commemorate United States participation in that conflict.

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

1 **SECTION 1. AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH MEMORIAL.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The American Battle Monuments  
3 Commission (hereafter in this Act referred to as the  
4 “Commission”) is authorized to establish a memorial on  
5 Federal land in the District of Columbia or its environs  
6 to honor members of the Armed Forces who served in  
7 World War II and to commemorate the participation of  
8 the United States in that war.

9 (b) COMPLIANCE WITH STANDARDS FOR COMMEMO-  
10 RATIVE WORKS.—The establishment of the memorial shall  
11 be in accordance with the Act entitled “An Act to provide  
12 standards for placement of commemorative works on cer-  
13 tain Federal lands in the District of Columbia and its en-  
14 viron, and for other purposes” approved November 14,  
15 1986 (40 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.).

16 (c) HANDICAPPED ACCESS.—The plan, design, con-  
17 struction, and operation of the memorial pursuant to this  
18 section shall provide for accessibility by, and accommoda-  
19 tions for, the physically handicapped.

20 **SEC. 2. ADVISORY BOARD.**

21 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF BOARD.—There is estab-  
22 lished a World War II Memorial Advisory Board (here-  
23 after in this Act referred to as the “Board”), consisting  
24 of 12 members, who shall be appointed by the President  
25 from among veterans of World War II, historians of World  
26 War II, and representatives of veterans organizations, his-

1 torical associations, and groups knowledgeable about  
2 World War II.

3 (b) APPOINTMENTS.—Members of the Board shall be  
4 appointed not later than 3 months after the date of enact-  
5 ment of this Act and shall serve for the life of the Board.  
6 The President shall make appointments to fill such vacan-  
7 cies as may occur on the Board.

8 (c) RESPONSIBILITIES OF BOARD.—The Board  
9 shall—

10 (1) in the manner specified by the Commission,  
11 promote establishment of the memorial and encour-  
12 age donation of private contributions for the memo-  
13 rial; and

14 (2) upon the request of the Commission, advise  
15 the Commission on the site and design for the  
16 memorial.

17 (d) TERMINATION.—The Board shall cease to exist  
18 on the last day of the third month after the month in  
19 which the memorial is completed or the month of the expi-  
20 ration of the authority for the memorial under section  
21 10(b) of the Act referred to in section 1(b), whichever first  
22 occurs.

23 **SEC. 3. PRIVATE CONTRIBUTIONS.**

24 The Commission shall solicit and accept private con-  
25 tributions for the memorial.

1 **SEC. 4. FUND IN THE TREASURY FOR THE MEMORIAL.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—There is created in the Treasury  
3 a fund which shall be available to the American Battle  
4 Monuments Commission for the expenses of establishing  
5 the memorial. The fund shall consist of—

6 (1) amounts deposited, and interest and pro-  
7 ceeds credited, under subsection (b);

8 (2) obligations obtained under subsection (c);  
9 and

10 (3) the amount of surcharges paid to the Com-  
11 mission for the memorial under the World War II  
12 50th Anniversary Commemorative Coins Act.

13 (b) DEPOSITS AND CREDITS.—The Chairman of the  
14 Commission shall deposit in the fund the amounts accept-  
15 ed as contributions under subsection (a). The Secretary  
16 of the Treasury shall credit to the fund the interest on,  
17 and the proceeds from sale or redemption of, obligations  
18 held in the fund.

19 (c) OBLIGATIONS.—The Secretary of the Treasury  
20 shall invest any portion of the fund that, as determined  
21 by the Chairman of the Commission, is not required to  
22 meet current expenses. Each investment shall be made in  
23 an interest bearing obligation of the United States or an  
24 obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the  
25 United States that, as determined by the Chairman of the  
26 Commission, has a maturity suitable for the fund.

1 (d) ABOLITION.—Upon the final settlement of the ac-  
2 counts of the fund, the Secretary of the Treasury shall  
3 submit to the Congress draft legislation (including tech-  
4 nical and conforming provisions) for the abolition of the  
5 fund.

6 **SEC. 5. DEPOSIT OF EXCESS FUNDS.**

7 If, upon payment of all expenses of the establishment  
8 of the memorial (including the maintenance and preserva-  
9 tion amount provided for in section 8(b) of the Act re-  
10 ferred to in section 1(b)), or upon expiration of the author-  
11 ity for the memorial under section 10(b) of that Act, there  
12 remains a balance in the fund created by section 4, the  
13 Chairman of the Commission shall transmit the amount  
14 of the balance to the Secretary of the Treasury for deposit  
15 in the account provided for in section 8(b)(1) of that Act.

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3), 1993.

Attest:

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*Secretary.*