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H. R. 1120

To require the Secretary of the Army to designate Fort Belvoir, Virginia, as the site for the planned National Museum of the United States Army.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 20, 2001

Mr. MORAN of Virginia (for himself, Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. WOLF, and Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

A BILL

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “National Museum of
5 the United States Army Site Act of 2001”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.**

7 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-
8 ings:

1 (1) The Nation does not have adequate knowl-
2 edge of the role of the United States Army in the
3 development and protection of the United States.

4 (2) The United States Army, which is the old-
5 est United States military service, lacks a primary
6 museum with public exhibition space and is in dire
7 need of a permanent facility to house and display its
8 historical artifacts.

9 (3) Such a museum would serve to enhance the
10 preservation, study, and interpretation of Army his-
11 torical artifacts.

12 (4) Many Army artifacts of historical signifi-
13 cance and national interest, which are currently un-
14 available for public display, would be exhibited in
15 such a museum.

16 (5) While the Smithsonian Institution would be
17 able to assist the Army in developing programs of
18 presentations relating to the mission, values, and
19 heritage of the Army, such a museum would be a
20 more appropriate institution for such programs.

21 (b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this Act are—

22 (1) to designate a permanent site for a museum
23 to serve as the National Museum of the United
24 States Army;

1 (2) to ensure the preservation, maintenance,
2 and interpretation of the artifacts and history col-
3 lected by such museum;

4 (3) to enhance the knowledge of the American
5 people to the role of the Army in United States his-
6 tory; and

7 (4) to provide a facility for the public display of
8 the artifacts and history of the Army.

9 **SEC. 3. LOCATION OF NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE UNITED**
10 **STATES ARMY.**

11 The Secretary of the Army shall designate Fort
12 Belvoir, Virginia, as the location of the National Museum
13 of the United States Army.

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