

(D) CONVEYANCE OF EASEMENT.—Within 30 days after acquiring any of the lands identified as “National Park Service Wilderness Easement Lands” 29 and “National Park Service Conservation Easement Lands” on the map described in section 305(b), the Commission shall convey to the United States—

(i) conservation easements on the lands described as “National Park Service Wilderness Easement Lands” on the map described in section 305(b), which easements shall provide that the lands shall be managed to protect their wilderness character; and

(ii) conservation easements on the lands described as “National Park Service Conservation Easement Lands” on the map described in section 305(b), which easements shall restrict and limit development and use of the property to that development and use that is—

(I) compatible with the protection of the Appalachian National Scenic Trail; and

(II) consistent with the general management plan prepared pursuant to section 306(b).

(2) MATCHING FUNDS.—Funds may be transferred to the Commission only to the extent that they are matched from funds contributed by non-Federal sources.

SEC. 306. MANAGEMENT OF THE RESERVE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Commission shall manage the lands acquired within the Reserve in a manner that is consistent with the Commission’s authorities and with the purposes of this title.

(b) GENERAL MANAGEMENT PLAN.—Within 3 years after the date of enactment of this title, the Commission shall prepare a general management plan for the Reserve and submit the plan to the Secretary for approval.

SEC. 307. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this title, to remain available until expended.

(b) LAND ACQUISITION.—Of amounts appropriated pursuant to subsection (a), the Secretary may transfer to the Commission not more than \$17,500,000 for the acquisition of lands and interests in land within the Reserve.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Friday, June 30, 1995, at 10:30 a.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

CONGRATULATIONS TO DANNY McDONNALL

• Mr. BROWN. Mr. President, I rise to congratulate Danny McDonnall of Lamar, CO, for winning a \$10,000 Discover Card Tribute Award scholarship. The scholarship, sponsored by Discover Card Services, Inc., in cooperation with the American Association of School Administrators, are awarded to outstanding high school juniors in the United States.

Danny attends Lamar High School and is 1 of the 9 national winners se-

lected from over 10,000 nominations nationwide. His academic achievement recently earned him his school’s Most Outstanding Sophomore Boy Award. However, the scholarship program recognizes that not every student’s accomplishments can be measured in grade points alone. Achievements in community service, leadership, special talents, unique endeavors, and obstacles overcome are also considered.

Danny is an active member in several student organizations and is an accomplished vocalist. He has performed in three school musicals, with an honor choir and with the National 4-H Choir. He created a Wildlife Club for young people and coordinated a shooting sports safety day attended by more than 60 local sportsmen.

But most impressive is Danny’s fight against Ewing’s sarcoma. His recovery inspired him to present an hour long wildlife program to 450 cancer patients in Denver’s Children’s Hospital and to develop a newsletter and games which he regularly sends to hospitalized children. In addition, he conducted a 3-year science project centered on treatments for chemotherapy-induced mouth sores. Danny intends to study biology in college, and hopes to become a dentist.

Thank you Discover Card Services, Inc., for making a strong commitment to helping our young people reach their dreams and be better prepared for the challenges of tomorrow. Congratulations, once again, to Danny McDonnall. We can all learn from his superb leadership and fortitude.●

AN IMPORTANT STEP FOR DEMOCRACY IN HAITI

• Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, last Sunday, the Republic of Haiti held parliamentary and local elections. These were the first elections in Haiti since the United States forced Raoul Cedras and his henchmen to abandon power and allow the return of democratically elected President Jean-Bertrand Aristide last fall.

These elections were the first test of President Aristide’s commitment to establish real democracy in Haiti, and they were watched closely by the international community.

Mr. President, the elections were far from perfect. The selection of candidates leading up to the election was not as open, well-organized, and impartial as many of us would have liked. Some voting stations opened late. Some station workers were not paid their promised salaries and did not execute their responsibilities conscientiously. Some voters were not given full privacy in voting and there were some reports of voter intimidation. Some ballots were lost or miscounted.

These irregularities were unfortunate, although given Haiti’s tragic history, not unexpected. But the fact that these elections were imperfect in no way confirms, as some would suggest, that President Aristide and his government are insincere in their expressions

of commitment to true democracy, or that the administration’s policy there has failed. Far from it.

Let us be realistic. Haiti is the poorest country in this hemisphere. So many people are illiterate that the ballots had to carry symbols to identify the different parties. Many villages cannot be reached by road at all. The only highway across the country is literally impassible except by 4-wheel-drive. Most of the people have had no experience at all with democracy and have only the vaguest notion of what it means and how it should work.

In a country like Haiti today, the conduct of elections cannot possibly be perfect. Some mistakes and malpractice are inevitable.

But one must start somewhere, and the fact that these elections were held at all is an important achievement. Even more important, indeed historic, is that fact that there was practically no violence. We should remember past elections in that country, where the Government and its armed thugs intimidated, beat, and murdered in cold blood people waiting in line to vote.

The real question, Mr. President, is whether the Haitian people are satisfied. My perception is that the vast majority of the Haitian people feel that they took an important step forward with this election, and one more step away from the atrocities of the past. We owe it to those people now to help them get to work on the next step.

I want to commend President Clinton, General Shalikashvili, who has been to Haiti many times over the past couple of years, Secretary Christopher and others, who had the patience and sense of history to devote the attention and effort that they have to the cause of democracy in Haiti.

In a hemisphere where the trend is decidedly in favor of elected civilian government, I do not believe the United States could ignore the brutality in Haiti. Our resolve there in support of the Haitian people’s yearning for a better life, has sent a strong signal in support of democratic government throughout the hemisphere.●

NOMINATION OF DR. HENRY FOSTER TO BE SURGEON GENERAL

• Mr. ABRAHAM. Mr. President, last week the Senate conducted two cloture votes on the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster to be Surgeon General of the United States. As a member of the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources, I was already on record in opposition to the nomination. However, for the benefit of my colleagues and my constituents, I wanted to once again outline my reasons for opposing Dr. Foster and why I voted against cloture.

At the outset of this nomination, I chose to reserve final judgment on Dr. Foster’s qualifications to serve as Surgeon General until he had an opportunity to appear before the Labor Committee and address my concerns and