District of Columbia for real estate taxes assessed against it upon land designated as parcel 22/73 in the District of Columbia for the period from July 1, 1953, to December 31, 1954.

**TITLE VI—GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**SEC. 601. REGULATIONS.—**The Commissioners of the District of Columbia are authorized to make rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this Act.

**SEC. 602. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.—**If any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of the Act, and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected thereby.

**SEC. 603.** Wherever any officer or agency of the District, other than the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, is mentioned in this Act, such officer or agency shall be deemed to be the officer or agency so mentioned, or the officer, officers, agency or agencies succeeding to the functions of the officer or agency so mentioned, pursuant to Reorganization Plan Numbered 5 of 1952.

Approved March 31, 1956.

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**JOINT RESOLUTION**

To authorize the American Battle Monuments Commission to prepare plans and estimates for the erection of a suitable memorial to General John J. Pershing.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the American Battle Monuments Commission, whose former Chairman was the late John J. Pershing, General of the Armies of the United States, is authorized and directed to prepare plans and estimates for the erection of a suitable memorial to General John J. Pershing, together with recommendations with respect to site, design, and materials, for submission to the Congress at as early a date as practicable. Such plans shall, prior to submission to the Congress, be approved by the National Commission of Fine Arts with respect to the design and materials to be used.

Approved April 2, 1956.

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**JOINT RESOLUTION**

To permit articles imported from foreign countries for the purpose of exhibition at the Washington State Fifth International Trade Fair, Seattle, Washington, to be admitted without payment of tariff, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all articles which shall be imported from foreign countries for the purpose of exhibition at the Washington State Fifth International Trade Fair, to be held at Seattle, Washington, from May 4 to May 13, 1956, inclusive, by the International Trade Fair, Incorporated, a corporation, or for use in constructing, installing, or maintaining foreign exhibits at the said trade fair, upon which articles there shall be a tariff or customs duty, shall be admitted without payment of such tariff, customs duty, fees, or charges under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury...
shall prescribe; but it shall be lawful at any time during or within three months after the close of the said trade fair to sell within the area of the trade fair any articles provided for herein, subject to such regulations for the security of the revenue and for the collection of import duties as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe: Provided, That all such articles when withdrawn for consumption or use in the United States, shall be subject to the duties, if any, imposed upon such articles by the revenue laws in force at the date of their withdrawal; and on such articles which shall have suffered diminution or deterioration from incidental handling or exposure, the duties, if payable, shall be assessed according to the appraised value at the time of withdrawal from entry hereunder for consumption or entry under the general tariff law: Provided further, That imported articles provided for herein shall not be subject to any marking requirements of the general tariff laws, except when such articles are withdrawn for consumption or use in the United States, in which case they shall not be released from customs custody until properly marked, but no additional duty shall be assessed because such articles were not sufficiently marked when imported into the United States: Provided further, That at any time during or within three months after the close of the trade fair, any article entered hereunder may be abandoned to the Government or destroyed under customs supervision, whereupon any duties on such article shall be remitted: Provided further, That articles which have been admitted without payment of duty for exhibition under any tariff law and which have remained in continuous customs custody or under a customs exhibition bond and imported articles in bonded warehouses under the general tariff law may be accorded the privilege of transfer to an entry for exhibition at the said trade fair under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe: And provided further, That the International Trade Fair, Incorporated, a corporation, shall be deemed, for customs purposes only, to be the sole consignee of all merchandise imported under the provisions of this joint resolution, and that the actual and necessary customs charges for labor, services, and other expenses in connection with the entry, examination, appraisement, release, or custody, together with the necessary charges for salaries of customs officers and employees in connection with the supervision, custody of, and accounting for, articles imported under the provisions of this joint resolution, shall be reimbursed by the International Trade Fair, Incorporated, a corporation, to the Government of the United States under regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, and that receipts from such reimbursements shall be deposited as refunds to the approipriation from which paid, in the manner provided for in section 524, Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (U. S. C. 1946 edition, title 19, sec. 1524).

Approved April 2, 1956.

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CHAPTER 157

AN ACT To exempt from duty the importation of certain handwoven fabrics when used in the making of religious vestments.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That title II of the Tariff Act of 1930 (relating to the free list) is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph: