An Act

To amend the joint resolution of July 18, 1939 (53 Stat. 1062), to provide for the acceptance of additional lands for the Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That title III of the joint resolution approved July 18, 1939 (53 Stat. 1062), is amended as follows:

(1) Amend section 301 to read as follows:

"SEC. 301. The head of any executive department may accept for and in the name of the United States, title to any part or parts of the said Hyde Park estate and title to any contiguous property or properties located in the town of Hyde Park, Dutchess County, State of New York, which shall be donated to the United States for use in connection with any designated governmental function in the administration of this area. The title to any such property may be accepted under this section notwithstanding that it may be subject to the life estate of the donor or of any other person or persons now living: Provided, That during the continuance of any life estate reserved therein no expense to the United States in connection with the ordinary maintenance of the property so acquired shall be incurred: Provided further, That the acceptance hereunder by the United States of the title to property in which any life estate is reserved shall not during the existence of such life estate exempt the property from taxation by the town of Hyde Park, Dutchess County, or the State of New York as other real property in the said town, county, or State is taxed under the applicable laws relating to taxation of real property."

(2) A new section 304 is added, to read as follows:

"SEC. 304. In addition to such amounts as have been appropriated prior to the enactment of this section, there are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this title, but not to exceed $104,000 for development purposes."

Approved April 30, 1975.

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