Public Law 96-529
96th Congress
Joint Resolution

Authorizing appropriation of funds for acquisition of a monument to Doctor Ralph J. Bunche and installation of such monument in Ralph J. Bunche Park in New York City.

Whereas Doctor Ralph J. Bunche, winner of the Nobel Peace Prize and former Under Secretary of the United Nations, was a man of great vision and strength and was one of the most distinguished citizens of the United States and the world;

Whereas the proposed acquisition of a monument to Doctor Bunche (consisting of a fifty-foot, sculptured stainless steel obelisk) and its installation in Ralph J. Bunche Park in New York City is conceived as a symbol of man’s renunciation of war and corruption and has been approved and endorsed by the United Nations Art Committee, the Visual Arts Committee of New York, and the New York City Parks Commission; and

Whereas the acquisition and installation of this monument will contribute to the artistic and cultural vitality of New York City and will combine the beauty and timeliness of art with a perspective of historical greatness, a hope for future prosperity and peace, and a tribute to a man whose illustrious career was a dedication to the achievement of world peace: Now, therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) there are authorized to be appropriated not more than $45,000 to the Secretary of the Interior for payment to the Phelps-Stokes Fund of New York City for use by such Fund for acquisition and installation (including related landscaping) of a monument to Doctor Ralph J. Bunche.

(b) Not later than one year after the date on which funds are appropriated under this Act, the Phelps-Stokes Fund shall report to the Congress the amount and source of all sums used for acquisition and installation of such monument.
Sec. 2. The monument referred to in the first section shall consist of a fifty-foot, sculptured, stainless steel obelisk created by Daniel Johnson and named "Peace Form One", and shall be installed in Ralph J. Bunche Park in New York City.

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