

117TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 4009

To authorize the Georgetown African American Historic Landmark Project and Tour to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 17, 2021

Ms. NORTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

- To authorize the Georgetown African American Historic Landmark Project and Tour to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes.
 - 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 "Georgetown Water-
 - 5 front Enslaved Voyages Memorial Act".

SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH COMMEMORATIVE

- 2 work.
- 3 (a) In General.—The Georgetown African Amer-
- 4 ican Historic Landmark Project and Tour may establish
- 5 a commemorative work on Federal land in the District of
- 6 Columbia and its environs to commemorate the enslaved
- 7 individuals, whose identities may be known or unknown,
- 8 who disembarked at Georgetown Waterfront after endur-
- 9 ing the Middle Passage.
- 10 (b) Compliance With Standards for Commemo-
- 11 RATIVE WORKS.—The establishment of the commemora-
- 12 tive work under this section shall be in accordance with
- 13 chapter 89 of title 40, United States Code (commonly
- 14 known as the "Commemorative Works Act").
- 15 (c) Prohibition on the Use of Federal
- 16 Funds.—
- 17 (1) IN GENERAL.—Federal funds may not be
- used to pay any expense of the establishment of the
- 19 commemorative work under this section.
- 20 (2) Responsibility of the georgetown af-
- 21 RICAN AMERICAN HISTORIC LANDMARK PROJECT
- 22 AND TOUR.—The Georgetown African American
- 23 Historic Landmark Project and Tour shall be solely
- responsible for acceptance of contributions for, and
- payment of the expenses of, the establishment of the
- 26 commemorative work under this section.

(d) Deposit of Excess Funds.—

- (1) In General.—If upon payment of all expenses for the establishment of the memorial (including the maintenance and preservation amount required by section 8906(b)(1) of title 40, United States Code), there remains a balance of funds received for the establishment of the commemorative work, the Georgetown African American Historic Landmark Project and Tour shall transmit the amount of the balance to the Secretary of the Interior for deposit in the account provided for in section 8906(b)(3) of title 40, United States Code.
 - (2) ON EXPIRATION OF AUTHORITY.—If upon expiration of the authority for the commemorative work under section 8903(e) of title 40, United States Code, there remains a balance of funds received for the establishment of the commemorative work, the Georgetown African American Historic Landmark Project and Tour shall transmit the amount of the balance to a separate account with the National Park Foundation for memorials, to be available to the Secretary of the Interior or Administrator (as appropriate) following the process provided in section 8906(b)(4) of title 40, United States

- 1 Code, for accounts established under section
- 2 8906(b)(2) or (3) of title 40, United States Code.

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