

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2278

AN ACT

To designate the September 11th National Memorial Trail
Route, 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SEPTEMBER 11TH NATIONAL MEMORIAL TRAIL**

2 **ROUTE.**

3 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 (1) MAP.—The term “Map” means the map en-
5 titled “September 11th National Memorial Trail
6 Route Proposed Trail Route,” numbered 669/
7 176,670A, and dated July 2021.

8 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
9 the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Di-
10 rector of the National Park Service.

11 (3) TRAIL ROUTE.—The term “Trail Route”
12 means the September 11th National Memorial Trail
13 Route designated under subsection (b).

14 (b) ESTABLISHMENT OF TRAIL ROUTE.—

15 (1) DESIGNATION.—There is designated a Trail
16 Route, to be known as the “September 11th Na-
17 tional Memorial Trail Route”, to link the National
18 9/11 Memorial and Museum in New York City, the
19 National 9/11 Pentagon Memorial in Arlington, Vir-
20 ginia, and the Flight 93 National Memorial in Som-
21 erset County, Pennsylvania. The September 11th
22 National Memorial Trail Route shall—

23 (A) provide for a tribute to the family
24 members and loved ones who were victims of
25 the attack and the heroes of September 11th,

1 including the first responders in the days,
2 weeks, and months after the attack;

3 (B) be a trail of remembrance to honor the
4 fallen in a tangible way that keeps their memo-
5 ries alive and reaffirms the exceptionalism of
6 our country; and

7 (C) be a celebration of our Nation's resil-
8 ience and perseverance since September 11,
9 2001.

10 (2) ROUTE.—

11 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Trail Route shall
12 consist of a series of trails as generally depicted
13 on the Map.

14 (B) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The Map
15 shall be available in the appropriate offices of
16 the National Park Service.

17 (C) REVISION.—The Secretary may revise
18 the Map by publication in the Federal Register
19 of a notice of availability of a new Map.

20 (c) ADMINISTRATION.—The Trail Route program
21 shall be administered by the Secretary in consultation with
22 the affected landowners, including any Federal, State,
23 Tribal or local agencies that manage the affected lands,
24 but shall not be considered to be a unit of the National
25 Park System or a part of the National Trail System.

1 (d) ACTIVITIES.—To facilitate the administration of
2 the Trail Route program and the dissemination of infor-
3 mation regarding the Trail Route, the Secretary shall—

4 (1) produce and disseminate appropriate edu-
5 cational materials regarding the Trail Route, such
6 as handbooks, maps, exhibits, signs, interpretive
7 guides, electronic information, and other interpretive
8 materials;

9 (2) coordinate the management and planning of
10 the Trail Route with participating property owners,
11 other Federal agencies, State, Tribal, and local gov-
12 ernments, and nonprofit entities;

13 (3) create and adopt an official, uniform symbol
14 or device to mark the Trail Route;

15 (4) issue guidelines for the use of the symbol or
16 device adopted under paragraph (3); and

17 (5) if deemed appropriate by the Secretary, au-
18 thorize signage on lands managed by the General
19 Services Administration or the National Park Serv-
20 ice in the District of Columbia and its environs,
21 without regard to the requirements of the Com-
22 memorative Works Act (40 U.S.C. 8901).

23 (e) AGREEMENTS.—To ensure effective coordination
24 of the Federal and non-Federal properties along the Trail
25 Route, the Secretary may enter into agreements with, and

- 1 provide technical and financial assistance to, other Federal
- 2 agencies, the State, localities, regional governmental bod-
- 3 ies, and private entities.

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Attest:

Clerk.

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