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Mr. TURNER of Texas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

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## A BILL

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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. AUTHORIZATION OF MEMORIAL.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Advisory Board established  
5 in section 2(a) is authorized to establish a memorial (re-  
6 ferred to hereafter in this Act as the “Memorial”) in ac-  
7 cordance with this Act on Federal lands administered by  
8 the National Park Service in the District of Columbia and  
9 its environs (as defined in section 2(e) of the Commemora-

1 tive Works Act (40 U.S.C. 1002(e)) to victims who died  
2 as a result of terrorist acts against the United States or  
3 its people, at home or abroad, except those individuals  
4 identified by the Attorney General of the United States  
5 as participating or conspiring in terrorist-related activi-  
6 ties.

7 (b) **DETAIL OF EMPLOYEES.**—The Secretary of the  
8 Interior (referred to hereafter in this Act as the “Sec-  
9 retary”) shall detail to the Advisory Board such support  
10 staff as are necessary to assist the members of the Advi-  
11 sory Board in carrying out its responsibilities.

12 (c) **RELATIONSHIP TO THE COMMEMORATIVE WORKS**  
13 **ACT.**—The Commemorative Works Act (40 U.S.C. 1001  
14 et seq.) shall apply to the Memorial, with the exception  
15 of section 3(e) of that Act which shall not apply to the  
16 Memorial.

17 **SEC. 2. ADVISORY BOARD.**

18 (a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—There is established an advi-  
19 sory board to be known as the “Victims of Terrorism Me-  
20 morial Advisory Board” (referred to hereafter in this Act  
21 as the “Advisory Board”).

22 (b) **MEMBERS.**—The Advisory Board shall consist of  
23 13 members who shall be appointed, not later than 3  
24 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, by  
25 the President (in consultation with the Secretary of the

1 Interior and the Secretary of Defense) from interested  
2 persons, including representatives of organizations dedi-  
3 cated to assisting victims of terrorism and their families.

4 (c) CHAIRPERSON.—The Chairperson of the Advisory  
5 Board shall be one of its Members elected by a majority  
6 of the Members at the first meeting of the Advisory Board.

7 (d) TERMS; VACANCIES.—Members of the Advisory  
8 Board shall serve for the life of the Advisory Board. The  
9 President shall make appointments to fill any vacancies  
10 that occur.

11 (e) DUTIES.—The Advisory Board shall—

12 (1) raise necessary funds to establish, design,  
13 construct, and maintain the Memorial; and

14 (2) begin consultation under section 7 of the  
15 Commemorative Works Act not later than 1 year  
16 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

17 (f) DONATIONS.—The Advisory Board may accept  
18 donations on behalf of the United States for the establish-  
19 ment, design, construction, and maintenance of the Memo-  
20 rial.

21 (g) TERMINATION.—The Advisory Board shall termi-  
22 nate not later than 120 days after completion of the Me-  
23 morial.

24 (h) FACCA.—The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5  
25 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to the Advisory Board.

**1 SEC. 3. DEPOSIT OF EXCESS FUNDS.**

2       If, upon payment of all expenses of the establishment  
3 of the Memorial (including the maintenance and preserva-  
4 tion amount provided for in section 8(b) of the Commemo-  
5 rative Works Act), or upon expiration of the authority for  
6 the Memorial under section 10(b) of that Act, there re-  
7 mains a balance in the funds received under section 3(f)  
8 for maintenance of the Memorial, the Chairperson of the  
9 Advisory Board shall transfer the amount of the balance  
10 to the Secretary of the Treasury for deposit in the account  
11 provided for in section 8(b)(1) of that Act.

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