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S. 601

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire the McLoughlin House National Historic Site in Oregon City, Oregon, for inclusion in the Fort Vancouver National Historic Site, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 12, 2003

Mr. SMITH (for himself and Mr. WYDEN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “McLoughlin House
5 National Historic Site Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds that—

1 (1) on June 27, 1941, in accordance with sec-
2 tion 2 of the Act of August 21, 1935 (16 U.S.C.
3 462), Acting Assistant Secretary of the Interior
4 W.C. Mendenhall established the McLoughlin Home
5 National Historic Site in Oregon City, Oregon;

6 (2) in 1941, the McLoughlin Memorial Associa-
7 tion, the city of Oregon City, Oregon, and the
8 United States entered into a cooperative agreement
9 providing for the preservation and use of the
10 McLoughlin House as a national historic site;

11 (3) on January 16, 1945, the Historic Site was
12 redesignated as the McLoughlin House National
13 Historic Site;

14 (4) the Historic Site is located in a charter
15 park on land owned by the City described as “Or-
16 egon City Block 40”;

17 (5) the Historic Site includes the McLoughlin
18 House and Barelay House, which are owned and
19 managed by the Association;

20 (6) while the Association has had an exemplary
21 and longstanding role in the stewardship of the His-
22 toric Site, the Association is unable to continue that
23 role; and

1 (7) the Historic Site has been an affiliated area
2 of the National Park System and is worthy of rec-
3 ognition as a unit of the National Park System.

4 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

5 In this Act:

6 (1) ASSOCIATION.—The term “Association”
7 means the McLoughlin Memorial Association, an or-
8 ganization that is described in section 501(c)(3) of
9 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from
10 taxation under section 501(a) of the Code.

11 (2) CITY.—The term “City” means Oregon
12 City, Oregon.

13 (3) HISTORIC SITE.—

14 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “Historic
15 Site” means the McLoughlin House National
16 Historic Site that is—

17 (i) described in the Order of the Act-
18 ing Assistant Secretary of the Interior
19 dated June 27, 1941; and

20 (ii) generally depicted on the map en-
21 titled “McLoughlin House National His-
22 toric Site”, numbered 007/80,000, and
23 dated December 1, 2001.

24 (B) INCLUSIONS.—The term “Historic
25 Site” includes the McLoughlin House, the Bar-

1 clay House, and other real property, improve-
 2 ments, and personal property that are associ-
 3 ated with the McLoughlin House and the Bar-
 4 clay House.

5 (4) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
 6 the Secretary of the Interior.

7 **SEC. 4. MCLOUGHLIN HOUSE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE.**

8 (a) ACQUISITION.—

9 (1) AUTHORITY.—The Secretary may acquire
 10 the Historic Site for inclusion in the Fort Vancouver
 11 National Historic Site.

12 (2) MEANS.—

13 (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
 14 paragraph (2), an acquisition of the Historic
 15 Site under paragraph (1) may be made by do-
 16 nation, purchase from a willing seller with do-
 17 nated or appropriated funds, or exchange.

18 (B) EXCEPTION.—Portions of the Historic
 19 Site owned by the City may be acquired by do-
 20 nation only.

21 (b) BOUNDARIES; ADMINISTRATION.—On acquisition
 22 of the Historic Site—

23 (1) the boundary of Fort Vancouver National
 24 Historic Site shall be modified to reflect the acquisi-

1 tion of the Historic Site under subsection (a)(1);
2 and

3 (2) the Secretary shall administer the Historic
4 Site as part of the Fort Vancouver National Historic
5 Site, in accordance with the laws (including regula-
6 tions) applicable to the National Park System.

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