

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1047

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 6, 2007

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural
Resources

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to determine the suitability and feasibility of designating the Soldiers' Memorial Military Museum located in St. Louis, Missouri, as a unit of the National Park System.

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. NATIONAL PARK SERVICE STUDY REGARDING**
2 **THE SOLDIERS' MEMORIAL MILITARY MU-**
3 **SEUM.**

4 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds as follows:

5 (1) The Soldiers' Memorial is a tribute to all
6 veterans located in the greater St. Louis area, in-
7 cluding Southern Illinois.

8 (2) The current annual budget for the memorial
9 is \$185,000 and is paid for exclusively by the City
10 of St. Louis.

11 (3) In 1923, the City of St. Louis voted to
12 spend \$6,000,000 to purchase a memorial plaza and
13 building dedicated to citizens of St. Louis who lost
14 their lives in World War I.

15 (4) The purchase of the 7 block site exhausted
16 the funds and no money remained to construct a
17 monument.

18 (5) In 1933, Mayor Bernard F. Dickmann ap-
19 pealed to citizens and the city government to raise
20 \$1,000,000 to construct a memorial building and
21 general improvement of the plaza area and the con-
22 struction of Soldiers' Memorial began on October
23 21, 1935.

24 (6) On October 14, 1936, President Franklin
25 D. Roosevelt officially dedicated the site.

(b) STUDY.—The Secretary of the Interior shall carry out a study to determine the suitability and feasibility of designating the Soldiers' Memorial Military Museum, located at 1315 Chestnut, St. Louis, Missouri, as a unit of the National Park System.

(c) STUDY PROCESS AND COMPLETION.—Section 8(c) of Public Law 91–383 (16 U.S.C. 1a–5(c)) shall apply to the conduct and completion of the study required by this section.

(d) REPORT.—The Secretary shall submit a report describing the results the study required by this section to the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate.

Passed the House of Representatives March 5,
2007.

Attest: LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk.