

Public Law 98-537  
98th Congress

## Joint Resolution

Authorizing the Kahlil Gibran Centennial Foundation to establish a memorial in the District of Columbia or its environs.

Oct. 19, 1984

[H.J. Res. 580]

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That (a) the Kahlil Gibran Centennial Foundation is authorized to establish a memorial on Federal land in the District of Columbia or its environs to honor the Lebanese-American poet and artist, Kahlil Gibran.

(b) In carrying out subsection (a), the Foundation shall be responsible for preparation of the design and plans for the memorial, which shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, the Commission of Fine Arts, and the National Capital Planning Commission.

## SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Interior—

(1) with the approval of the Commission of Fine Arts and the National Capital Planning Commission, shall select a site for the memorial;

(2) shall not permit construction of the memorial to begin unless the Secretary determines that sufficient amounts are available for completion of the memorial in accordance with the approved design and plans; and

(3) shall be responsible for maintenance of the memorial after completion of construction.

SEC. 3. The United States shall not pay any expense of the establishment of the memorial.

SEC. 4. The authority to establish the memorial under this resolution shall expire at the end of the five-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this resolution, unless construction of the memorial begins during that period.

Expiration date.

Approved October 19, 1984.

## LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—H.J. Res. 580:

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