

119TH CONGRESS  
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# S. 3490

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## AN ACT

To establish the Fort Ontario Holocaust Refugee Shelter National Historical Park, to designate the America's National Churchill Museum National Historic Landmark, 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. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “National Historical  
3 Park and National Historic Landmark Establishment and  
4 Boundary Adjustments Act of 2025”.

5 **SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF FORT ONTARIO HOLOCAUST**  
6 **REFUGEE SHELTER NATIONAL HISTORICAL**  
7 **PARK.**

8 (a) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

9 (1) **MAP.**—The term “map” means the map en-  
10 titled “Fort Ontario Holocaust Refugee Shelter Na-  
11 tional Historical Park Proposed Boundary”, num-  
12 bered 962/194,681, and dated September 2024.

13 (2) **NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK.**—The term  
14 “National Historical Park” means the Fort Ontario  
15 Holocaust Refugee Shelter National Historical Park  
16 established by subsection (b)(1).

17 (3) **SECRETARY.**—The term “Secretary” means  
18 the Secretary of the Interior.

19 (4) **STATE.**—The term “State” means the State  
20 of New York.

21 (b) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—

22 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—Subject to paragraph (3),  
23 there is established in the State as a unit of the Na-  
24 tional Park System the Fort Ontario Holocaust Ref-  
25 ugee Shelter National Historical Park.

1           (2) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the National  
2 Historical Park is to preserve, protect, and interpret  
3 for the benefit of present and future generations re-  
4 sources associated with the stories of the 982 refu-  
5 gees from World War II who were housed at Fort  
6 Ontario from August of 1944 until February of  
7 1946.

8           (3) CONDITIONS OF ESTABLISHMENT.—

9           (A) DETERMINATION BY THE SEC-  
10 RETARY.—The National Historical Park shall  
11 not be established until the date on which the  
12 Secretary determines that a sufficient quantity  
13 of land or interests in land has been acquired  
14 from land identified as “Proposed Boundary”  
15 on the map to constitute a manageable park  
16 unit.

17           (B) NOTICE.—Not later than 30 days  
18 after the date on which the Secretary makes a  
19 determination under subparagraph (A), the  
20 Secretary shall publish in the Federal Register  
21 notice of the establishment of the National His-  
22 torical Park.

23           (4) MAP.—The map shall be on file and avail-  
24 able for public inspection in the appropriate offices  
25 of the National Park Service.

1           (5) BOUNDARY.—The boundary of the National  
2           Historical Park shall include any land or interests in  
3           land acquired by the Secretary under this section.

4           (c) ADMINISTRATION.—

5           (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall admin-  
6           ister the National Historical Park in accordance  
7           with—

8                   (A) this section; and

9                   (B) the laws generally applicable to units  
10           of the National Park System, including—

11                       (i) sections 100101(a), 100751(a),  
12                       100752, 100753, and 102101 of title 54,  
13                       United States Code; and

14                       (ii) chapters 1003 and 3201 of title  
15                       54, United States Code.

16           (2) AGREEMENTS.—

17                   (A) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—In ac-  
18                   cordance with section 101702 of title 54,  
19                   United States Code, the Secretary may enter  
20                   into cooperative agreements with the State or  
21                   other public and private entities to provide in-  
22                   terpretive and educational services within the  
23                   National Historical Park.

24                   (B) INTERPRETATION AND RESTORATION  
25                   AGREEMENTS.—The Secretary may enter into

1 agreements to identify, interpret, and restore  
2 nationally significant historic or cultural re-  
3 sources located on non-Federal land within the  
4 boundary of, or in close proximity to, the Na-  
5 tional Historical Park.

6 (C) PUBLIC ACCESS.—Any cooperative  
7 agreement entered into under subparagraph (B)  
8 to provide assistance to non-Federal land shall  
9 provide for reasonable public access to the non-  
10 Federal land.

11 (3) ACQUISITION OF LAND.—

12 (A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subpara-  
13 graph (B), the Secretary may acquire land and  
14 interests in land located within the boundary of  
15 the National Historical Park by—

16 (i) donation;

17 (ii) purchase with donated or appro-  
18 priated funds; or

19 (iii) exchange.

20 (B) LIMITATION.—Any land owned by the  
21 State or a political subdivision of the State may  
22 be acquired for inclusion in the National His-  
23 torical Park only by donation.

24 (4) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—Not later than 3 fis-  
25 cal years after the date on which funds are made

1 available to carry out this section, the Secretary, in  
 2 consultation with the State, shall complete a general  
 3 management plan for the National Historical Park  
 4 in accordance with—

5 (A) section 100502 of title 54, United  
 6 States Code; and

7 (B) any other applicable laws.

8 **SEC. 3. AMERICA'S NATIONAL CHURCHILL MUSEUM NA-**  
 9 **TIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK.**

10 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

11 (1) CITY.—The term “City” means the city of  
 12 Fulton, Missouri.

13 (2) COLLEGE.—The term “College” means  
 14 Westminster College, located at 501 Westminster  
 15 Avenue in the City.

16 (3) LANDMARK.—The term “Landmark” means  
 17 the America’s National Churchill Museum National  
 18 Historic Landmark designated by subsection (b)(1).

19 (4) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
 20 the Secretary of the Interior.

21 (5) STATE.—The term “State” means the State  
 22 of Missouri.

23 (b) DESIGNATION OF AMERICA’S NATIONAL  
 24 CHURCHILL MUSEUM NATIONAL HISTORIC LAND-  
 25 MARK.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—America’s National Church-  
2           ill Museum located at the College, including the  
3           Winston Churchill Memorial listed on the National  
4           Register of Historic Places, is designated as the  
5           “America’s National Churchill Museum National  
6           Historic Landmark”.

7           (2) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—

8                   (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in con-  
9                   sultation with the State, the City, and the Col-  
10                  lege, may enter into cooperative agreements  
11                  with appropriate public or private entities, for  
12                  the purposes of—

13                           (i) protecting historic resources at the  
14                           Landmark; and

15                           (ii) providing educational and inter-  
16                           pretive facilities and programs at the  
17                           Landmark for the public.

18                   (B) TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL ASSIST-  
19                   ANCE.—The Secretary may provide technical  
20                   and financial assistance to any entity with  
21                   which the Secretary has entered into a coopera-  
22                   tive agreement under subparagraph (A).

23           (3) NO EFFECT ON ACTIONS OF PROPERTY  
24           OWNERS.—Designation of the America’s National  
25           Churchill Museum as a National Historic Landmark

1 shall not prohibit any actions that may otherwise be  
2 taken by a property owner (including the College  
3 and any other owner of the Landmark) with respect  
4 to the property of the owner.

5 (4) NO EFFECT ON ADMINISTRATION.—Nothing  
6 in this subsection affects the administration of the  
7 Landmark by the State, the City, or the College.

8 (c) SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall conduct  
10 a special resource study of the Landmark.

11 (2) CONTENTS.—In conducting the study under  
12 this subsection, the Secretary shall—

13 (A) evaluate the national significance of  
14 the Landmark;

15 (B) determine the suitability and feasibility  
16 of designating the Landmark as a unit of the  
17 National Park System;

18 (C)(i) consider alternatives to that designa-  
19 tion for the preservation, protection, and inter-  
20 pretation of the Landmark by the Federal Gov-  
21 ernment, the State, the City and other affected  
22 units of local government, or private and non-  
23 profit organizations (including the College); and

24 (ii) identify cost estimates for any Federal  
25 acquisition, development, interpretation, oper-

1           ation, and maintenance associated with the al-  
2           ternatives described in clause (i); and

3                   (D) consult with interested Federal agen-  
4           cies, the State, the City and other affected  
5           units of local government, private and nonprofit  
6           entities (including the College), and other inter-  
7           ested individuals.

8           (3) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary shall con-  
9           duct the study under this subsection in accordance  
10          with section 100507 of title 54, United States Code.

11          (4) REPORT.—Not later than 3 years after the  
12          date on which funds are first made available to carry  
13          out the study under this subsection, the Secretary  
14          shall submit to the Committee on Energy and Nat-  
15          ural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on  
16          Natural Resources of the House of Representatives  
17          a report that describes—

18                   (A) the results of the study; and

19                   (B) any conclusions and recommendations  
20          of the Secretary.

Passed the Senate December 16, 2025.

Attest:

*Secretary.*

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