

Public Law 115–170
115th Congress

An Act

May 7, 2018
[H.R. 4300]

To authorize Pacific Historic Parks to establish a commemorative display to honor members of the United States Armed Forces who served in the Pacific Theater of World War II, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

Admiral Lloyd R.
'Joe' Vasey
Pacific War
Commemorative
Display
Establishment
Act.
Hawaii.
54 USC 320301
note.

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Admiral Lloyd R. ‘Joe’ Vasey Pacific War Commemorative Display Establishment Act”.

SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

(1) ASSOCIATION.—The term “Association” means Pacific Historic Parks, a corporation that is—

(A) a cooperating association with the National Park Service;

(B) organized under the laws of the State of Hawaii; and

(C) described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from taxation under section 501(a) of that Code.

(2) DIRECTOR.—The term “Director” means the Director of the National Park Service.

(3) COMMEMORATIVE DISPLAY.—The term “commemorative display” means the Pacific Theater of World War II Commemorative Display authorized to be established under section 4(a).

SEC. 3. PURPOSES.

The purposes of this Act are to—

(1) honor the brave members of the United States Armed Forces who fought on behalf of the United States of America in the Pacific Theater during World War II;

(2) provide a place to mourn the more than 150,000 American and allied lives lost in the Pacific Theater during World War II; and

(3) educate the public about United States battles in the Pacific Theater and its role in World War II.

SEC. 4. PACIFIC THEATER COMMEMORATIVE DISPLAY.

(a) AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH COMMEMORATIVE DISPLAY.—The Association may establish and maintain a commemorative display to honor the members of the United States Armed Forces and Allies who served in the Pacific Theater during World War II.

(b) **USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS PROHIBITED.**—Federal funds may not be used to design, procure, prepare, install, or maintain the commemorative display, but the Director may accept and expend contributions of non-Federal funds and resources for such purposes.

(c) **LOCATION OF COMMEMORATIVE DISPLAY.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Director may allow the commemorative display to be established at a suitable location at the Pearl Harbor site of the World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument in Honolulu, Hawaii.

(2) **CONDITION.**—The commemorative display may not be established at any location under the jurisdiction of the Director until the Director determines that an assured source of non-Federal funding has been established for the design, procurement, installation, and maintenance of the commemorative display.

Determination.

(d) **DESIGN OF THE COMMEMORATIVE DISPLAY.**—The final design of the commemorative display shall be subject to the approval of the Director.

Approved May 7, 2018.

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