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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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## AN ACT

To designate the Veterans Memorial and Museum in Columbus, Ohio, as the National Veterans Memorial and Museum, 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 Veterans Me-  
3 morial and Museum Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF NATIONAL VETERANS MEMORIAL**  
5 **AND MUSEUM.**

6 (a) DESIGNATION.—Subject to the condition de-  
7 scribed in subsection (b), the memorial and museum that  
8 is, as of the date of the enactment of this Act, being con-  
9 structed on an approximately 7-acre area on West Broad  
10 Street, Columbus, Ohio, bounded by the Scioto River and  
11 the Scioto Greenway, shall be designated as the “National  
12 Veterans Memorial and Museum”.

13 (b) WITHDRAWAL OF DESIGNATION.—The designa-  
14 tion under subsection (a) may be withdrawn no earlier  
15 than 5 years after the date on which the museum opens  
16 the public, pursuant to an Act of Congress, if the progress  
17 and operation of the museum are found to be unsatisfac-  
18 tory based on the report submitted under subsection (c).

19 (c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—As a condition of the des-  
21 ignation under subsection (a), the director of the  
22 memorial and museum described in that subsection  
23 shall submit to Congress a report on the memorial  
24 and museum by not later than the date specified in  
25 paragraph (2). Such report shall include each of the  
26 following:

1           (A) The projected budget for the memorial  
2           and museum for the 5-year period beginning on  
3           the date the memorial and museum is expected  
4           to open to the public.

5           (B) A description of the outreach con-  
6           ducted by the memorial and museum to vet-  
7           erans across the United States to receive input  
8           about the design and contents of the memorial  
9           and museum.

10          (C) A description of the process by which  
11          decisions are made about the contents of the ex-  
12          hibits displayed at the memorial and museum.

13          (D) A description of the organizational  
14          structure of the memorial and museum.

15          (E) A copy of the bylaws and rules of the  
16          memorial and museum.

17          (F) A list of any organizations or entities  
18          that have accredited the memorial and museum.

19          (2) DEADLINE FOR REPORT.—The date speci-  
20          fied in this paragraph is the earlier of the following  
21          dates:

22                 (A) The date that is 90 days after the date  
23                 of the enactment of this Act.

1                   (B) The date that is 30 days before the  
2                   date on which the memorial and museum is  
3                   first open to the public.

4           (d) EFFECT OF DESIGNATION.—The national memo-  
5 rial and museum designated by subsection (a) is not a unit  
6 of the National Park System, and the designation of the  
7 national memorial and museum shall not be construed to  
8 require Federal funds to be expended for any purpose re-  
9 lated to the national memorial and museum.

          Passed the House of Representatives November 7,  
2017.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,

*Clerk.*