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To provide for assistance in the preservation of Taliesin in the State of Wisconsin, and for other purposes.

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Mr. KOHL introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Taliesin Preservation
5 Act of 1993”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.**

7 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that the nationally
8 significant land, improvements, and landscapes in the
9 State of Wisconsin that comprise the complex known as
10 “Taliesin”—

1 (1) was the home and studio of America's most
2 important artist of this century, architect Frank
3 Lloyd Wright, from 1911 until 1959;

4 (2) was designated as a National Historic
5 Landmark on January 7, 1976;

6 (3) includes other projects designed by Wright,
7 including—

8 (A) the Romeo and Juliet Windmill, de-
9 signed in 1897;

10 (B) the Hillside Home School, designed in
11 1901;

12 (C) the Tan-y-deri residence, designed in
13 1907;

14 (D) the Midway Farm, designed in 1937;
15 and

16 (E) 600 acres of landscape;

17 (4) includes the adjoining—

18 (A) Unity Chapel, which Wright worked on
19 in 1887 for architect Joseph Silsbee; and

20 (B) Michels Farm property, which was the
21 farm of Wright's uncle Thomas (Jones);

22 (5) is the preeminent single site in the world for
23 interpreting the life, work, and ideas of Wright; and

24 (6) can best achieve the goals of the National
25 Park Service by becoming an affiliated area of the

1 National Park System, while remaining under pri-
2 vate ownership and management.

3 (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this Act is to provide
4 for the preservation and interpretation by the Secretary
5 of the Interior, acting through the Director of the Na-
6 tional Park Service, of the complex in Wisconsin known
7 as the “Taliesin”, for the benefit of present and future
8 generations.

9 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

10 As used in this Act:

11 (1) OWNER OR OPERATOR.—The term “owner
12 or operator” means the owner or operator of the
13 Taliesin site.

14 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
15 the Secretary of the Interior.

16 (3) TALIESIN SITE.—The term “Taliesin site”
17 means the properties described in section 2.

18 **SEC. 4. COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT AND PLAN.**

19 (a) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—In furtherance of the pur-
21 pose of this Act, and after approving a comprehen-
22 sive plan in accordance with subsection (b), the Sec-
23 retary may enter into one or more cooperative agree-
24 ments containing the provisions described in para-

1 graph (3) with the owner or operator to provide as-
2 sistance in accordance with paragraph (2).

3 (2) ASSISTANCE.—Pursuant to a cooperative
4 agreement described in paragraph (1), in accordance
5 with the comprehensive plan described in subsection
6 (b), and for the benefit of the public, the Secretary
7 may provide technical and financial assistance for
8 the protection, restoration, and interpretation of the
9 Taliesin site.

10 (3) PROVISIONS.—Each agreement shall pro-
11 vide that the owner or operator—

12 (A) shall permit public access to the
13 Taliesin site at reasonable times through con-
14 ducted tours that interpret the culturally sig-
15 nificant portions of the Taliesin site; and

16 (B) may make no change or alteration of
17 the Taliesin site that is not consistent with the
18 comprehensive plan.

19 (b) COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.—

20 (1) PREPARATION AND ADOPTION.—As a condi-
21 tion of entering into a cooperative agreement under
22 subsection (a), the owner or operator shall prepare
23 and adopt a comprehensive plan for the continued
24 preservation and public use of the Taliesin site and
25 submit the plan to the Secretary for approval.

1 (2) APPROVAL.—The Secretary shall approve
2 the comprehensive plan if the plan is consistent
3 with, and in furtherance of, the purpose of this Act.

4 (3) AMENDMENT.—The plan may be amended
5 or revised from time to time, but no assistance, fi-
6 nancial or otherwise, may be made available pursu-
7 ant to any cooperative agreement unless the amend-
8 ment or revision is approved by the Secretary in ac-
9 cordance with this subsection.

10 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), there
12 are authorized to be appropriated \$8,000,000 to carry out
13 this Act.

14 (b) MATCHING FUNDS.—As a condition of the avail-
15 ability of funds pursuant to this Act, the funds must be
16 supplemented with matching non-Federal funds on a one-
17 to-one basis. The non-Federal matching funds shall come
18 from both State and private funding sources.

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