

105TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

S. 2086

AN ACT

To revise the boundaries of the George Washington
Birthplace National Monument.

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. ADDITION TO NATIONAL MONUMENT.**

2 (a) ADDITION.—The boundaries of the George Wash-
3 ington Birthplace National Monument are modified to in-
4 clude the property generally know as George Washington’s
5 Boyhood Home, Ferry Farm, located in Stafford County,
6 Virginia, across the Rappahannock River from Fredericks-
7 burg, Virginia, comprising approximately 8 acres. The
8 boundary modification is generally depicted on the map
9 entitled “George Washington Birthplace National Monu-
10 ment Boundary Map”, numbered 322/80, 020 and dated
11 April 1998. The Secretary of the Interior shall keep the
12 map on file and available for public inspection in appro-
13 priate offices of the National Park Service.

14 (b) ACQUISITION OF EASEMENT.—After the enact-
15 ment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior may acquire
16 a conservation easement for the property described in sub-
17 section (a) to ensure the preservation of this important
18 cultural and natural resource associated with Ferry Farm.

19 **SEC. 2. RESOURCE STUDY.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18 months after
21 the date on which funds are made available to carry out
22 this section, the Secretary of the Interior shall submit to
23 the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the
24 Senate and the Committee on Resources of the House of
25 Representatives a resource study of the property described
26 in section 1(a).

1 (b) CONTENTS.—The study under subsection (a)
2 shall—

3 (1) identify the full range of resources and his-
4 toric themes associated with Ferry Farm, including
5 those associated with George Washington’s tenure at
6 the property described in section 1(a) and those as-
7 sociated with the Civil War period;

8 (2) identify alternatives for further National
9 Park Service involvement at the property described
10 in section 1(a) beyond those that may be provided
11 for in the acquisition authorized under section 1(b);
12 and

13 (3) include cost estimates for any necessary ac-
14 quisition, development, interpretation, operation, and
15 maintenance associated with the alternatives identi-
16 fied.

17 **SEC. 3. AGREEMENTS.**

18 Upon completion of the resource study under section
19 2, the Secretary of the Interior may enter into agreements
20 with the owner of the property described in section 1(a)
21 or other entities for the purpose of providing programs,

- 1 services, facilities, or technical assistance that further the
- 2 preservation and public use of the property.

Passed the Senate October 7 (legislative day, October 2), 1998.

Attest:

Secretary.

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