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cross-axis of the Mall where the siting of new commemorative works is prohibited.”

§ 8902. Definitions and nonapplication

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this chapter:

(1) COMMEMORATIVE WORK.—The term “commemorative work” means any statue, monument, sculpture, memorial, plaque, inscription, or other structure or landscape feature, including a garden or memorial grove, designed to perpetuate in a permanent manner the memory of an individual, group, event or other significant element of American history, except that the term does not include any such item which is located within the interior of a structure or a structure which is primarily used for other purposes.

(2) THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AND ITS ENVIRONS.—The term “the District of Columbia and its environs” means those lands and properties administered by the National Park Service and the General Services Administration located in the Reserve, Area I, and Area II as depicted on the map entitled “Commemorative Areas Washington, DC and Environs”, numbered 869/86501 B, and dated June 24, 2003.

(3) RESERVE.—The term “Reserve” means the great cross-axis of the Mall, which generally extends from the United States Capitol to the Lincoln Memorial, and from the White House to the Jefferson Memorial, as depicted on the map referenced in paragraph (2).

(4) SPONSOR.—The term “sponsor” means a public agency, or an individual, group or organization that is described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of such Code, and which is authorized by Congress to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs.

(b) NONAPPLICATION.—This chapter does not apply to commemorative works authorized by a law enacted before January 3, 1985.

(Pub. L. 107–217, Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1227; Pub. L. 108–126, title II, §203(b), Nov. 17, 2003, 117 Stat. 1350.)

§ 8901. Purposes

The purposes of this chapter are—

(1) to preserve the integrity of the comprehensive design of the L’Enfant and McMillan plans for the Nation’s Capital;

(2) to ensure the continued public use and enjoyment of open space in the District of Columbia and its environs, and to encourage the location of commemorative works within the urban fabric of the District of Columbia;

(3) to preserve, protect and maintain the limited amount of open space available to residents of, and visitors to, the Nation’s Capital; and

(4) to ensure that future commemorative works in areas administered by the National Park Service and the Administrator of General Services in the District of Columbia and its environs—

(A) are appropriately designed, constructed, and located; and

(B) reflect a consensus of the lasting national significance of the subjects involved.

(Pub. L. 107–217, Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1227; Pub. L. 108–126, title II, §203(a), Nov. 17, 2003, 117 Stat. 1349.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
8901	40:1001.	Pub. L. 99–652, §1, Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3650.

AMENDMENTS

2003—Par. (2). Pub. L. 108–126 substituted “Columbia and its environs, and to encourage the location of commemorative works within the urban fabric of the District of Columbia;” for “Columbia;”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2003 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 108–126, title II, §205, Nov. 17, 2003, 117 Stat. 1353, provided that: “Except for the provision in the amendment made by section 202(b) [amending section 8908 of this title] prohibiting a visitor center from being located in the Reserve (as defined in section 8902 of title 40, United States Code), nothing in this title [see Short Title of 2003 Amendment note set out under section 101 of this title] shall apply to a commemorative work for which a site was approved in accordance with chapter 89 of title 40, United States Code, prior to the date of enactment of this title [Nov. 17, 2003].”

FINDINGS

Pub. L. 108–126, title II, §202(a), Nov. 17, 2003, 117 Stat. 1349, provided that: “Congress finds that—

“(1) the great cross-axis of the Mall in the District of Columbia, which generally extends from the United States Capitol to the Lincoln Memorial, and from the White House to the Jefferson Memorial, is a substantially completed work of civic art; and

“(2) to preserve the integrity of the Mall, a reserve area should be designated within the core of the great

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<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
8902(a)	40:1002.	Pub. L. 99–652, §2, Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3650; Pub. L. 103–321, §2(a), Aug. 26, 1994, 108 Stat. 1793.
8902(b)	40:1010(e).	Pub. L. 99–652, §10(e), Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3654.

In subsection (a), the text of 40:1002(a) and (b) is omitted as unnecessary because the complete names of the Secretary of the Interior and the Administrator of General Services are used the first time the terms appear in a section.

In subsection (a)(3), the words “notwithstanding any other provision of law” are omitted as unnecessary. The words “Administrator of General Services” are substituted for “General Services Administration” because of section 101(b) of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (ch. 288, 63 Stat. 379), which is restated as section 302(a) of the revised title.

In subsection (b), the words “January 3, 1985” are substituted for “the commencement of the Ninety-ninth Congress” for clarity.

¹Section catchline amended by Pub. L. 108–126 without corresponding amendment of analysis.

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, referred to in subsec. (a)(4), is classified to section 501 of Title 26, Internal Revenue Code.

AMENDMENTS

2003—Subsec. (a), Pub. L. 108-126 added subsec. (a) and struck out heading and text of former subsec. (a). Text read as follows: “In this chapter, the following definitions apply:

“(1) **COMMEMORATIVE WORK.**—The term ‘commemorative work’—

“(A) means any statue, monument, sculpture, memorial, plaque, inscription, or other structure or landscape feature, including a garden or memorial grove, designed to perpetuate in a permanent manner the memory of an individual, group, event or other significant element of American history; but

“(B) does not include an item described in subclause (A) that is located within the interior of a structure or a structure which is primarily used for other purposes.

“(2) **PERSON.**—The term ‘person’ means—

“(A) a public agency; and

“(B) an individual, group or organization—

“(i) described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 501(c)(3)) and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of the Code (26 U.S.C. 501(a)); and

“(ii) authorized by Congress to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs.

“(3) **THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AND ITS ENVIRONS.**—

The term ‘the District of Columbia and its environs’ means land and property located in Areas I and II as depicted on the map numbered 869/86581, and dated May 1, 1986, that the National Park Service and the Administrator of General Services administer.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2003 AMENDMENT

Amendments by Pub. L. 108-126 not applicable to a commemorative work for which a site was approved in accordance with this chapter prior to Nov. 17, 2003, see section 205 of Pub. L. 108-126, set out as a note under section 8901 of this title.

§ 8903. Congressional authorization of commemorative works

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Commemorative works—

(1) may be established on federal lands referred to in section 8901(4) of this title only as specifically authorized by law; and

(2) are subject to applicable provisions of this chapter.

(b) **MILITARY COMMEMORATIVE WORKS.**—A military commemorative work may be authorized only to commemorate a war or similar major military conflict or a branch of the armed forces. A commemorative work solely commemorating a limited military engagement or a unit of an armed force may not be authorized. Commemorative works to a war or similar major military conflict may not be authorized until at least 10 years after the officially designated end of such war or conflict.

(c) **WORKS COMMEMORATING EVENTS, INDIVIDUALS, OR GROUPS.**—A commemorative work commemorating an event, individual, or group of individuals, except a military commemorative work as described in subsection (b), may not be authorized until after the 25th anniversary of the event, death of the individual, or death of the last surviving member of the group.

(d) **CONSULTATION WITH NATIONAL CAPITAL MEMORIAL ADVISORY COMMISSION.**—In considering

legislation authorizing commemorative works in the District of Columbia and its environs, the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate shall solicit the views of the National Capital Memorial Advisory Commission.

(e) **EXPIRATION OF LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY.**—Any legislative authority for a commemorative work shall expire at the end of the seven-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of such authority, or at the end of the seven-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of legislative authority to locate the commemorative work within Area I, if such additional authority has been granted, unless—

(1) the Secretary of the Interior or the Administrator of General Services (as appropriate) has issued a construction permit for the commemorative work during that period; or

(2) the Secretary or the Administrator (as appropriate), in consultation with the National Capital Memorial Advisory Commission, has made a determination that—

(A) final design approvals have been obtained from the National Capital Planning Commission and the Commission of Fine Arts; and

(B) 75 percent of the amount estimated to be required to complete the commemorative work has been raised.

If these two conditions have been met, the Secretary or the Administrator (as appropriate) may extend the seven-year legislative authority for a period not to exceed three additional years. Upon expiration of the legislative authority, any previous site and design approvals shall also expire.

(Pub. L. 107-217, Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1228; Pub. L. 108-126, title II, §203(c), Nov. 17, 2003, 117 Stat. 1350; Pub. L. 111-11, title VII, §7116(e)(1), Mar. 30, 2009, 123 Stat. 1203.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
8903(a)	40:1003(a).	Pub. L. 99-652, §3, Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3651; Pub. L. 100-202, §101(f) [title II, §3], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-196; Pub. L. 100-230, §3, Jan. 5, 1988, 101 Stat. 1564; Pub. L. 103-321, §2(b), Aug. 26, 1994, 108 Stat. 1793; Pub. L. 104-186, title II, §221(18), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1750.
8903(b)	40:1003(b).	
8903(c)	40:1003(c).	
8903(d)	40:1003(d).	
8903(e)	40:1010(b).	Pub. L. 99-652, §10(b), Nov. 14, 1986, 100 Stat. 3654; Pub. L. 102-216, §1, Dec. 11, 1991, 105 Stat. 1666.

In subsection (a)(1), the words “in the District of Columbia and its environs” are omitted as unnecessary.

In subsection (d), the words “House Administration” are substituted for “House Oversight” because the name of the Committee was changed in the 106th Congress. See Rule X(1)(i) of the Rules of the House of Representatives.

AMENDMENTS

2009—Subsec. (d), Pub. L. 111-11, which directed insertion of “Natural” before “Resources”, was executed by