

SUBCHAPTER LIX-UU—MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

CODIFICATION

Subchapter was formerly classified to subchapter CXXXIX (§460bbbb et seq.) of this chapter prior to transfer to this subchapter.

Pub. L. 96-428, which enacted this subchapter, originally established the Martin Luther King, Junior, National Historic Site, which is listed in a table of National Historic Sites under section 320101 of Title 54, National Park Service and Related Programs. The amendments made by Pub. L. 115-108 effectively redesignated the site as the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historical Park, after which the text of Pub. L. 96-428 was set out as this subchapter.

**§ 410www. Establishment of Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historical Park**

(a) In order to protect and interpret for the benefit, inspiration, and education of present and future generations the places where Martin Luther King, Junior, was born, where he lived, worked, and worshipped, and where he is buried, there is hereby established the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historical Park in the State of Georgia. The national historical park shall consist of that real property in the city of Atlanta, Georgia, within the boundary generally depicted on the map entitled “Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historical Park Proposed Boundary Revision”, numbered 489/128,786 and dated June 2015, together with the property known as 234 Sunset Avenue, Northwest. The map referred to in this subsection shall be on file and available for public inspection in the local and Washington, District of Columbia offices of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

(b) In furtherance of the purposes of this subchapter, there is hereby established the Martin Luther King, Junior, Preservation District, which shall consist of the area identified as “Preservation District” in the map referred to in subsection (a) of this section.

(Pub. L. 96-428, §1, Oct. 10, 1980, 94 Stat. 1839; Pub. L. 102-575, title XL, §4024(a), Oct. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 4768; Pub. L. 115-108, §2(1)-(3), Jan. 8, 2018, 131 Stat. 2267.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 460bbbb of this title.

This subchapter is comprised of Pub. L. 96-428, as amended. Pub. L. 96-428 is also listed in a table of National Historic Sites set out under section 320101 of Title 54, National Park Service and Related Programs.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 115-108 substituted “Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historical Park” for “Martin Luther King, Junior, National Historic Site”, “the map entitled ‘Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historical Park Proposed Boundary Revision’, numbered 489/128,786 and dated June 2015” for “the map entitled ‘Martin Luther King, Junior, National Historic Site Boundary Map’, number 489/80,013B, and dated September 1992”, and “national historical park” for “national historic site”.

1992—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102-575 substituted “number 489/80,013B, and dated September 1992” for “numbered NASM/SERO/20, 109-C, and dated May 1980”.

SHORT TITLE OF 2017 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 115-108, §1, Jan. 8, 2018, 131 Stat. 2267, provided that: “This Act [amending this section and sections

410www-1, 410www-2, and 410www-4 of this title and enacting provisions set out as a note under this section] may be cited as the ‘Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historical Park Act of 2017’.

SHORT TITLE OF 2004 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 108-314, §1, Oct. 5, 2004, 118 Stat. 1198, provided that: “This Act [amending section 410www-1 of this title and enacting provisions set out as a note under this section] may be cited as the ‘Martin Luther King, Junior, National Historic Site Land Exchange Act’.”

REFERENCES

Pub. L. 115-108, §3, Jan. 8, 2018, 131 Stat. 2267, provided that: “Any reference in a law (other than this Act [See Short Title of 2017 Amendment note above]), map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to ‘Martin Luther King, Junior, National Historic Site’ shall be deemed to be a reference to ‘Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historical Park’.”

FINDINGS AND PURPOSE

Pub. L. 108-314, §2, Oct. 5, 2004, 118 Stat. 1198, provided that:

“(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

“(1) Public Law 96-438 [probably means 96-428, enacting this subchapter] established the Martin Luther King, Junior, National Historic Site [now Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historical Park], and allows acquisition, by donation only, of lands owned by the State.

“(2) The National Park Service owns a vacant lot that has no historic significance. The City of Atlanta has expressed interest in acquiring this property to encourage commercial development along Edgewood Avenue.

“(3) The National Historic Site Visitor Center and Museum is land-locked and has no emergency ingress or egress, making it virtually impossible for fire-fighting equipment to reach.

“(4) The acquisition of city-owned property would enable the National Park Service to establish easy street access to the National Historic Site Visitor Center and Museum, and would benefit the City by exchanging a piece of property that the City could develop.

“(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this Act [see Short Title of 2004 Amendment note above] is to authorize the exchange of certain lands within the Martin Luther King, Junior, National Historic Site for lands owned by the City of Atlanta, Georgia.”

**§ 410www-1. Administration**

(a) The Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as “the Secretary”) shall administer the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historical Park and Preservation District in accordance with the provisions of this subchapter, and the provisions of law generally applicable to national historic sites,<sup>1</sup> including the Act of August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535; 16 U.S.C. 1, 2-4) and the Act of August 21, 1935 (49 Stat. 666; 16 U.S.C. 461-7).

(b)(1) Within the national historical park the Secretary is authorized to acquire by donation, purchase with donated or appropriated funds, transfer, or exchange, lands and interests therein, except that property owned by the State of Georgia or any political subdivision thereof may be acquired only by donation or exchange.

(2) Notwithstanding the acquisition authority contained in paragraph (1), any lands or interests therein which are owned wholly or in part,

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be “to the National Park System.”