

SUBCHAPTER LIX—FFF—JIMMY CARTER
NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 100-206, which enacted this subchapter, originally established the Jimmy Carter 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. 116-341 effectively redesignated the site as the Jimmy Carter National Historical Park, after which the text of Pub. L. 100-206 was set out as this subchapter.

§ 410hbbb. Establishment of Jimmy Carter National Historic Site¹

(a) Establishment

In order to provide for the benefit, inspiration, and education of the American people, there is hereby established the Jimmy Carter National Historical Park in the State of Georgia. In administering the historical park, the Secretary shall—

- (1) preserve the key sites and structures located within the historical park associated with Jimmy Carter during his lifespan;
- (2) provide for the interpretation of the life and Presidency of Jimmy Carter; and
- (3) present the history of a small rural southern town.

(b) Description of Jimmy Carter National Historic Site¹

(1) The historical park shall consist of the lands and interests in lands (including the real property described in paragraph (2)) as generally depicted on the map entitled “Jimmy Carter National Historical Park² and Preservation District Boundary Map”, numbered NHS-JC-80000, and dated April 1987. The map shall be on file and available for public inspection at appropriate offices of the National Park Service.

(2) The real property referred to in paragraph (1) is that real property which has significant historical association with the life of James Earl Carter, Jr., 39th President of the United States, located in the town of Plains and the County of Sumter, Georgia, and described more particularly as follows—

(A) the home of former President Carter on Woodland Drive in Plains, Georgia, including the residence and approximately 2.9 acres across Woodland Drive;

(B) the Plains Railroad Depot, adjacent to the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad, which served as the campaign headquarters of former President Carter;

(C) the boyhood home of former President Carter, consisting of the residence, together with not more than 15 acres, located west of Plains near the community of Archery, Georgia;

(D) the 100-foot wide scenic easements on either side of Old Plains Highway from the intersection of U.S. Highway 280 to the boyhood home referred to in subparagraph (C);

(E) the Plains High School and grounds of approximately 12 acres; and

(F) the Gnann House at 1 Woodland Drive, which is adjacent to the residence referred to in subparagraph (A) of former President Carter.

(c) Acquisition of real and personal property

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and subject to such terms, reservations, and conditions as the Secretary determines reasonable or necessary, the Secretary may acquire by donation, purchase with donated or appropriated funds, exchange, or otherwise—

(A) lands and interests in lands within the boundaries of the historical park; and

(B) personal property and artifacts for purposes of the historical park.

(2) The Carter home (described in subsection (b)(2)(A)) and the Plains High School (referred to in subsection (b)(2)(E)) may only be acquired by donation.

(3) Former President and Mrs. Carter may, as a condition of the acquisition of the Carter home (described in subsection (b)(2)(A)), reserve for themselves a right of use and occupancy of the home for a term of years or for a term ending at the deaths of President and Mrs. Carter.

(4) The Administrator of the General Services Administration shall acquire by purchase the Gnann House (described in subsection (b)(2)(F)) to be used for security purposes during the lives of former President and Mrs. Carter, or for such period as they may be entitled to security pursuant to Federal law, after which time the Gnann House shall be transferred to the Secretary of the Interior for administrative purposes by the National Park Service.

(Pub. L. 100-206, §1, Dec. 23, 1987, 101 Stat. 1434; Pub. L. 105-106, §1, Nov. 20, 1997, 111 Stat. 2247; Pub. L. 116-341, §2(b)(1), (4)–(6), Jan. 13, 2021, 134 Stat. 5132.)

CODIFICATION

As enacted, the amendment by section 2(b)(5) of Pub. L. 116-341 substituting “historical park” for “historic site” is identical to the one by section 2(b)(4), and the amendment by section 2(b)(6) substituting “Historical Park” for “Historic Site” effectively duplicates those by section 2(b)(1), (2)(B), and (3), applies where it probably should not, and does not apply in other cases where it probably should. A companion bill, S. 3098 of the 116th Congress, 1st Session, contained amendments similar to those by section 2(b)(5) and (6) of Pub. L. 116-341, but they were formatted such that section 2(b)(5) applied specifically to section catchlines and section 2(b)(6) applied specifically to subsection headings. Nevertheless, the amendments as enacted by Pub. L. 116-341 have been executed as written and formatted.

AMENDMENTS

2021—Pub. L. 116-341, §2(b)(4), (5), made identical amendments, substituting “historical park” for “historic site” wherever appearing. See Codification note above.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 116-341, §2(b)(1) substituted “National Historical Park” for “National Historic Site”. See Codification note above.

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 116-341, §2(b)(6), substituted “Historical Park” for “Historic Site”. Amendment was executed as directed, notwithstanding that it probably should not have applied to the quoted text. See Codification note above.

1997—Subsec. (c)(2). Pub. L. 105-106 struck out “, the Plains Railroad Depot (described in subsection (b)(2)(B)),” before “and the Plains High School”.

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²So in original. Probably should be “Historic Site”. See Codification and 2021 Amendment notes below.

SHORT TITLE OF 2021 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 116-341, §1, Jan. 13, 2021, 134 Stat. 5132, provided that: “This Act [amending this section and sections 410hbbb-2 to 410hbbb-6 of this title and enacting provisions set out as notes under this section] may be cited as the ‘Jimmy Carter National Historical Park Redesignation Act.’”

DESIGNATION OF JIMMY CARTER NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK; REFERENCES

Pub. L. 116-341, §2(a), (c), Jan. 13, 2021, 134 Stat. 5132, provided that:

“(a) IN GENERAL.—The Jimmy Carter National Historic Site shall be known and designated as the ‘Jimmy Carter National Historical Park.’”

“(c) REFERENCES.—Any reference in any law, regulation, document, record, map, or other paper of the United States to the Jimmy Carter National Historic Site shall be considered to be a reference to the ‘Jimmy Carter National Historical Park.’”

§ 410hbbb-1. Jimmy Carter National Preservation District**(a) Jimmy Carter National Preservation District**

In order to preserve and interpret the life of James Earl Carter, Jr. and the rural southern town of Plains, Georgia, including the 20th century south and the roles of agriculture and the agricultural economy there is hereby established the Jimmy Carter National Preservation District, which shall consist of the area identified on the map referred to in section 410hbbb(b)(1) of this title as “Preservation District”. The preservation district shall include the Plains Historic District as listed in the National Register of Historic Places on June 28, 1984, and those agricultural lands not to exceed 650 acres and that portion of Bond Street as depicted on such map.

(b) Preservation easements

(1) The Secretary may obtain by donation or purchase preservation easements on historically or culturally significant (as determined by the Secretary) buildings and open spaces located within the preservation district. Each preservation easement shall contain (but need not be limited to) provisions that the Secretary shall have the right of access at reasonable times to the portions of the property covered by that easement for interpretive or other purposes, and that no changes or alterations shall be made to such portions of the property except by mutual agreement.

(2) The Secretary may mark, interpret, and provide technical assistance to properties within the preservation district in accordance with the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Historic Preservation Projects.

(Pub. L. 100-206, §2, Dec. 23, 1987, 101 Stat. 1435.)

§ 410hbbb-2. Administration of historic site¹ and preservation district**(a) In general**

The Secretary shall administer the historical park and the preservation district in accordance with the provisions of this subchapter, and the provisions of law generally applicable to units of

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the National Park System, including the Act entitled “An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes”, approved August 25, 1916 (16 U.S.C. 1, 2-4),² and the Act entitled “An Act to provide for the preservation of historic American sites, buildings, objects and antiquities of national significance, and for other purposes”, approved August 21, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 461 et seq.).²

(b) Cooperation with State of Georgia

The Secretary may enter into a cooperative agreement with the State of Georgia pursuant to which the Secretary may cooperate in the operation and use of the State of Georgia Visitor Center in Sumter County.

(c) History

The Secretary shall gather oral history on the historical park, its occupants, and environs. The Secretary may also preserve personal property that has been acquired by the Secretary for purposes of the historical park.

(d) Report

25 years after December 23, 1987, the Secretary shall convene a distinguished group of nationally recognized historians, scholars, and other experts to examine the life of President Carter in greater historical perspective. The group shall examine the research then available on President Carter, his life and Presidency, and make recommendations on interpretation, preservation, and other issues (as appropriate) at the Jimmy Carter National Historical Park and the Jimmy Carter National Preservation District.

(Pub. L. 100-206, §3, Dec. 23, 1987, 101 Stat. 1435; Pub. L. 116-341, §2(b)(2), (4), (5), Jan. 13, 2021, 134 Stat. 5132.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Act entitled “An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes”, approved August 25, 1916, referred to in subsec. (a), is act Aug. 25, 1916, ch. 408, 39 Stat. 535, popularly known as the National Park Service Organic Act, which enacted sections 1, 2, 3, and 4 of this title and provisions set out as a note under section 100101 of Title 54, National Park Service and Related Programs. Sections 1 to 4 of the Act were repealed and restated as section 1865(a) of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure, and section 100101(a), chapter 1003, and sections 100751(a), 100752, 100753, and 102101 of Title 54 by Pub. L. 113-287, §§3, 4(a)(1), 7, Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3094, 3260, 3272. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables. For disposition of former sections of this title, see Disposition Table preceding section 100101 of Title 54.

The Act entitled “An Act to provide for the preservation of historic American sites, buildings, objects and antiquities of national significance, and for other purposes”, approved August 21, 1935, referred to in subsec. (a), is act Aug. 21, 1935, ch. 593, 49 Stat. 666, known as the Historic Sites, Buildings and Antiquities Act and also as the Historic Sites Act of 1935, which enacted sections 461 to 467 of this title. The Act was repealed and restated as section 1866(a) of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure, and sections 102303 and 102304 and chapter 3201 of Title 54, National Park Service and Related Programs, by Pub. L. 113-287, §§3, 4(a)(1), 7, Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3094, 3260, 3272. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables. For disposition of former sections of this title, see Disposition Table preceding section 100101 of Title 54.

²See References in Text note below.