

109TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 5692

AN ACT

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the feasibility and suitability of establishing a memorial to the Space Shuttle Columbia in the State of Texas and for its inclusion as a unit of the National Park System.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Columbia Space Shut-
3 tle Memorial Study Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

5 In this Act:

6 (1) **MEMORIAL.**—The term “memorial” means
7 a memorial to the Space Shuttle Columbia that is
8 subject to the study in section 3(a).

9 (2) **SECRETARY.**—The term “Secretary” means
10 the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Di-
11 rector of the National Park Service.

12 **SEC. 3. STUDY OF SUITABILITY AND FEASIBILITY OF ES-**
13 **TABLISHING MEMORIALS TO THE SPACE**
14 **SHUTTLE COLUMBIA.**

15 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 3 years after the
16 date on which funds are made available, the Secretary
17 shall conduct a special resource study to determine the
18 feasibility and suitability of establishing a memorial as a
19 unit or units of the National Park System to the Space
20 Shuttle Columbia on land in the State of Texas described
21 in subsection (b) on which large debris from the Shuttle
22 was recovered.

23 (b) **DESCRIPTION OF LAND.**—The parcels of land re-
24 ferred to in subsection (a) are—

25 (1) the parcel of land owned by the Fredonia
26 Corporation, located at the southeast corner of the

1 intersection of East Hospital Street and North Fre-
2 donia Street, Nacogdoches, Texas;

3 (2) the parcel of land owned by Temple Inland
4 Inc., 10 acres of a 61-acre tract bounded by State
5 Highway 83 and Bayou Bend Road, Hemphill,
6 Texas;

7 (3) the parcel of land owned by the city of
8 Lufkin, Texas, located at City Hall Park, 301
9 Charlton Street, Lufkin, Texas; and

10 (4) the parcel of land owned by San Augustine
11 County, Texas, located at 1109 Oaklawn Street, San
12 Augustine, Texas.

13 (c) ADDITIONAL SITES.—The Secretary may rec-
14 ommend to Congress additional sites in the State of Texas
15 relating to the Space Shuttle Columbia for establishment
16 as memorials to the Space Shuttle Columbia.

Passed the House of Representatives September 27,
2006.

Attest:

Clerk.

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