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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. AUTHORIZATION OF MEMORIAL.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Advisory Board established  
3 in section 2(a) is authorized to establish a memorial (re-  
4 ferred to hereafter in this Act as the “Memorial”) in ac-  
5 cordance with this Act on Federal lands administered by  
6 the National Park Service in the District of Columbia and  
7 its environs (as defined in section 2(e) of the Commemora-  
8 tive Works Act (40 U.S.C. 1002(e)) to victims who died  
9 as a result of terrorist acts against the United States or  
10 its people, at home or abroad, except those individuals  
11 identified by the Attorney General of the United States  
12 as participating or conspiring in terrorist-related activi-  
13 ties.

14 (b) DETAIL OF EMPLOYEES.—The Secretary of the  
15 Interior (referred to hereafter in this Act as the “Sec-  
16 retary”) shall detail to the Advisory Board such support  
17 staff as are necessary to assist the members of the Advi-  
18 sory Board in carrying out its responsibilities.

19 (c) RELATIONSHIP TO THE COMMEMORATIVE WORKS  
20 ACT.—The Commemorative Works Act (40 U.S.C. 1001  
21 et seq.) shall apply to the Memorial, with the exception  
22 of section 3(c) of that Act which shall not apply to the  
23 Memorial.

**24 SEC. 2. ADVISORY BOARD.**

25 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established an advi-  
26 sory board to be known as the “Victims of Terrorism Me-

1 morial Advisory Board” (referred to hereafter in this Act  
2 as the “Advisory Board”).

3 (b) MEMBERS.—The Advisory Board shall consist of  
4 13 members who shall be appointed, not later than 3  
5 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, by  
6 the President (in consultation with the Secretary of the  
7 Interior and the Secretary of Defense) from interested  
8 persons, including representatives of organizations dedi-  
9 cated to assisting victims of terrorism and their families.

10 (c) CHAIRPERSON.—The Chairperson of the Advisory  
11 Board shall be one of its Members elected by a majority  
12 of the Members at the first meeting of the Advisory Board.

13 (d) TERMS; VACANCIES.—Members of the Advisory  
14 Board shall serve for the life of the Advisory Board. The  
15 President shall make appointments to fill any vacancies  
16 that occur.

17 (e) DUTIES.—The Advisory Board shall—

18 (1) raise necessary funds to establish, design,  
19 construct, and maintain the Memorial; and

20 (2) begin consultation under section 7 of the  
21 Commemorative Works Act not later than 1 year  
22 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

23 (f) DONATIONS.—The Advisory Board may accept  
24 donations on behalf of the United States for the establish-

1 ment, design, construction, and maintenance of the Memo-  
2 rial.

3 (g) TERMINATION.—The Advisory Board shall termi-  
4 nate not later than 120 days after completion of the Me-  
5 morial.

6 (h) FACA.—The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5  
7 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to the Advisory Board.

8 **SEC. 3. DEPOSIT OF EXCESS FUNDS.**

9 If, upon payment of all expenses of the establishment  
10 of the Memorial (including the maintenance and preserva-  
11 tion amount provided for in section 8(b) of the Commemo-  
12 rative Works Act), or upon expiration of the authority for  
13 the Memorial under section 10(b) of that Act, there re-  
14 mains a balance in the funds received under section 3(f)  
15 for maintenance of the Memorial, the Chairperson of the  
16 Advisory Board shall transfer the amount of the balance  
17 to the Secretary of the Treasury for deposit in the account  
18 provided for in section 8(b)(1) of that Act.

Passed the House of Representatives September 25,  
2002.

Attest:

*Clerk.*