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Reported by Ms. MURKOWSKI, without amendment

AN ACT

To designate the Veterans Memorial and Museum in Columbus, Ohio, as the National Veterans Memorial and Museum, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “National Veterans Me-
5 morial and Museum Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF NATIONAL VETERANS MEMORIAL**
2 **AND MUSEUM.**

3 (a) DESIGNATION.—Subject to the condition de-
4 scribed in subsection (b), the memorial and museum that
5 is, as of the date of the enactment of this Act, being con-
6 structed on an approximately 7-acre area on West Broad
7 Street, Columbus, Ohio, bounded by the Scioto River and
8 the Scioto Greenway, shall be designated as the “National
9 Veterans Memorial and Museum”.

10 (b) WITHDRAWAL OF DESIGNATION.—The designa-
11 tion under subsection (a) may be withdrawn no earlier
12 than 5 years after the date on which the museum opens
13 the public, pursuant to an Act of Congress, if the progress
14 and operation of the museum are found to be unsatisfac-
15 tory based on the report submitted under subsection (c).

16 (c) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—As a condition of the des-
18 ignation under subsection (a), the director of the
19 memorial and museum described in that subsection
20 shall submit to Congress a report on the memorial
21 and museum by not later than the date specified in
22 paragraph (2). Such report shall include each of the
23 following:

24 (A) The projected budget for the memorial
25 and museum for the 5-year period beginning on

1 the date the memorial and museum is expected
2 to open to the public.

3 (B) A description of the outreach con-
4 ducted by the memorial and museum to vet-
5 erans across the United States to receive input
6 about the design and contents of the memorial
7 and museum.

8 (C) A description of the process by which
9 decisions are made about the contents of the ex-
10 hibits displayed at the memorial and museum.

11 (D) A description of the organizational
12 structure of the memorial and museum.

13 (E) A copy of the bylaws and rules of the
14 memorial and museum.

15 (F) A list of any organizations or entities
16 that have accredited the memorial and museum.

17 (2) DEADLINE FOR REPORT.—The date speci-
18 fied in this paragraph is the earlier of the following
19 dates:

20 (A) The date that is 90 days after the date
21 of the enactment of this Act.

22 (B) The date that is 30 days before the
23 date on which the memorial and museum is
24 first open to the public.

1 (d) EFFECT OF DESIGNATION.—The national memo-
2 rial and museum designated by subsection (a) is not a unit
3 of the National Park System, and the designation of the
4 national memorial and museum shall not be construed to
5 require Federal funds to be expended for any purpose re-
6 lated to the national memorial and museum.

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