

116TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

# H.R.312

## **AN ACT**

To reaffirm the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe reservation, 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,

### 1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- This Act may be cited as the "Mashpee Wampanoag
- 3 Tribe Reservation Reaffirmation Act".

### 4 SEC. 2. REAFFIRMATION OF INDIAN TRUST LAND.

- 5 (a) In General.—The taking of land into trust by
- 6 the United States for the benefit of the Mashpee
- 7 Wampanoag Tribe of Massachusetts as described in the
- 8 final Notice of Reservation Proclamation (81 Fed. Reg.
- 9 948; January 8, 2016) is reaffirmed as trust land and the
- 10 actions of the Secretary of the Interior in taking that land
- 11 into trust are ratified and confirmed.
- 12 (b) APPLICATION.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
- 13 sion of law, an action (including an action pending in a
- 14 Federal court as of the date of enactment of this Act) re-
- 15 lating to the land described in subsection (a) shall not be
- 16 filed or maintained in a Federal court and shall be
- 17 promptly dismissed.
- 18 (c) Applicability of Laws.—All laws (including
- 19 regulations) of the United States of general applicability
- 20 to Indians or nations, Indian Tribes, or bands of Indians
- 21 (including the Act of June 18, 1934 (25 U.S.C. 5101 et
- 22 seq.)), shall be applicable to the Tribe and Tribal mem-
- 23 bers, except that to the extent such laws and regulations
- 24 are inconsistent with the terms of the Intergovernmental
- 25 Agreement, dated April 22, 2008, by and between the
- 26 Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe and the Town of Mashpee,

- 1 Massachusetts, the terms of that Intergovernmental
- ${\bf 2} \ \ {\bf Agreement\ shall\ control.}$

Passed the House of Representatives May 15, 2019. Attest:

Clerk.

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