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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

JANUARY 8, 1916.

Mr. JOHNSON of Kentucky introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Library and ordered to be printed.

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**A BILL**

To accept a deed of gift or conveyance from the Lincoln Farm Association, a corporation, to the United States of America, of land near the town of Hodgenville, county of Larue, State of Kentucky, embracing the homestead of Abraham Lincoln and the log cabin in which he was born, together with the memorial hall inclosing the same; and further, to accept an assignment or transfer of an endowment fund of \$50,000 in relation thereto.

1        *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*  
3 That the United States of America hereby accepts title to  
4 the lands mentioned in the deed of gift or conveyance now in  
5 possession of the President of the United States of America,  
6 together with all the buildings and appurtenances thereon,  
7 especially the log cabin in which Abraham Lincoln was born  
8 and the memorial hall inclosing the same, which deed or con-  
9 veyance was executed on the            day of            , nineteen

1 hundred and thirteen, by the Lincoln Farm Association, a  
2 corporation, to the United States of America, describing cer-  
3 tain lands situated near the town of Hodgenville, county of  
4 Larue, State of Kentucky, which lands are more particularly  
5 identified and described in said deed or conveyance. The  
6 title to such lands, buildings, and appurtenances is accepted  
7 upon the terms and conditions stated in said deed or convey-  
8 ance, namely: That the land therein described, together with  
9 the buildings and appurtenances thereon, shall be forever  
10 dedicated to the purposes of a national park or reservation,  
11 the United States of America agreeing to protect and pre-  
12 serve the said lands, buildings, and appurtenances, and espe-  
13 cially the log cabin in which Abraham Lincoln was born and  
14 the memorial hall inclosing the same, from spoliation, de-  
15 struction, and further disintegration, to the end that they  
16 may be preserved for all time, so far as may be; and further  
17 agreeing that there shall never be any charge or fee made to  
18 or asked from the public for admission to the said park or  
19 reservation.

20       SEC. 2. That the United States of America hereby also  
21 accepts title to the endowment fund of \$50,000 mentioned  
22 in the assignment and transfer, now in the possession of the  
23 President of the United States of America, which assignment  
24 and transfer was executed on the        day of       , nine-  
25 teen hundred and thirteen, by the Lincoln Farm Associa-

1 tion, a corporation, to the United States of America, trans-  
2 ferring and turning over all its right, title, and interest in  
3 and to said endowment fund, heretofore invested in certain  
4 stocks, bonds, and securities held and owned by the Lincoln  
5 Farm Association, and more particularly identified and de-  
6 scribed in said assignment and transfer. The title to said  
7 endowment fund is accepted upon the terms and conditions  
8 stated in said assignment and transfer, namely, that the  
9 United States of America shall forever keep the said tract  
10 of land described in said deed, together with the buildings  
11 and appurtenances thereunto belonging, dedicated to the pur-  
12 pose of a national park or reservation, and that there shall  
13 never be any charge or fee made to or asked from the public  
14 for admission to the said park or reservation; and further,  
15 shall forever protect, preserve, and maintain said land, build-  
16 ings, and appurtenances, and especially the log cabin in  
17 which Abraham Lincoln was born and the memorial hall  
18 inclosing the same, from spoliation, destruction, and further  
19 disintegration, to the end that they may be preserved for all  
20 time, as far as may be, as a national park or reservation.

21       SEC. 3. That the President of the United States of  
22 America and the Secretary of State are hereby authorized  
23 to execute, in the name of the United States of America,  
24 such instrument or instruments as may be or may become

- 1 necessary to comply with or carry out the terms and condi-
- 2 tions of such gift or gifts and to secure the full benefit
- 3 therefrom.

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