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44 Mrs. DOUGLAS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

A BILL

To create the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial Redwood Forest, 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 That in order to provide a fitting memorial to Franklin
4 Delano Roosevelt, who as President of the United States
5 guided his country through the storms of the great depression
6 and the Second World War, and whose vision inspired the
7 United Nations, first, as a wartime alliance of all free peoples,
8 and later as a permanent world organization for the enforce-
9 ment of peace and the furtherance of social justice in inter-
10 national affairs; and to establish and perpetuate upon the
11 lands hereinafter described the conditions of forest protection

1 and use most conducive to the furtherance of commerce
2 among the States, provision for the national defense, and
3 the advancement of the general welfare, there is hereby
4 created the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial Redwood
5 Forest, herein called the forest.

6 SEC. 2. The forest shall be comprised of lands consti-
7 tuting the natural habitat of the most nearly immortal of all
8 living things, the species of tree scientifically known as
9 Sequoia sempervirens and more generally as the California
10 Coast Redwood, herein called the redwoods, and such other
11 trees as may occur therewith, situated within the counties
12 of Del Norte, Humboldt, Mendocino, and Sonoma, in the
13 State of California; the exterior boundaries of the forest
14 being set forth in the exterior boundary description annexed
15 hereto and hereby made part of this Act.

16 SEC. 3. The forest shall be forever open and accessible
17 to all the people for their use, enjoyment, and benefit; and
18 to that end the Secretary of Agriculture, herein called the
19 Secretary, is hereby authorized and directed to cooperate
20 with the recreation industries of the State of California; to
21 provide suitable roads, trails, recreation areas, camp sites,
22 and other facilities within the forest, which shall be open to the
23 public on equal terms; and to train and provide personnel
24 whose duty it shall be to cooperate with and assist visitors
25 and to aid the people in the use and enjoyment of the forest: