Public Law 87-757

October 5, 1962 [S. 699]

AN ACT

To amend the Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Hungarian Reformed Federation of America", approved March 2, 1907, and for other purposes.

Hungarian Reformed Federation of America. Membership benefits. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Hungarian Reformed Federation of America", approved March 2, 1907 (34 Stat. 1226), is amended by striking out the period at the end of the first sentence and inserting in lieu thereof a semicolon and the following: "to provide all types of benefits which are now or hereafter may be authorized by the laws of the District of Columbia relating to fraternal benefit associations."

SEC. 2. Section 755 of the Act entitled "An Act to establish a Code of Law for the District of Columbia", approved March 3, 1901 (31 Stat. 1189), is amended by striking out "which shall not exceed fifty-five years, and that medical examinations are required of applicants for life benefits.".

Approved October 5, 1962.

D. C. Code 35-907.

Public Law 87-758

October 9, 1962 [H. R. 8181]

AN ACT

To authorize the construction of a National Fisheries Center and Aquarium in the District of Columbia and to provide for its operation.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

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National Fisheries Center and
Aquarium.
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AUTHORIZATION FOR NATIONAL FISHERIES CENTER AND AQUARIUM

Section 1. (a) The Administrator of General Services (hereinafter referred to as the "Administrator") is hereby authorized to plan, construct, and maintain a National Fisheries Center and Aquarium in the District of Columbia or its vicinity for research in fisheries and for the display of fresh water and marine fishes and other aquatic resources for educational, recreational, cultural, and scientific purposes.

(b) The Administrator is further authorized to use Federal land and property for purposes of this Act with the consent of the particular agency having administrative jurisdiction thereover, and, if said property is unavailable for purposes hereof, he may purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire such lands, waters, and interests therein, as he may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of subsection (a) of this section.

OPERATION OF THE NATIONAL FISHERIES CENTER AND AQUARIUM

SEC. 2. (a) The Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") shall operate the National Fisheries Center and Aquarium.

(b) The Secretary is further authorized to-

(1) construct, purchase or lease, and operate and maintain vessels for specimen collecting purposes and, without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes of the United States (41 U.S.C. 5), to contract for such collection of specimens and to purchase or exchange specimens and exhibit materials;

60 Stat. 810.

(2) prepare for free distribution or exhibit or to offer for sale at cost illustrated catalogs of specimens, brochures, and other printed matter and films, animations and photographic and other material pertaining to the National Fisheries Center and Aquarium and its objectives and to aquariums generally, all or any of which may be reproduced by any printing or other process without regard to existing regulations, the proceeds of sales to be covered into the United States Treasury;

(3) employ, as authorized by section 15 of the Administrative Expenses Act of 1946 (5 U.S.C., sec. 55a), but at rates not to exceed \$50 per diem plus expenses, experts, consultants, or organizations thereof, as required to assist with the planning, design, construction, and operation of the National Fisheries

Center and Aquarium;

(4) permit on such terms and conditions as he shall consider to be in the public interest the use of auditorium and other areas for meetings and exhibits of societies and groups whose purposes

are relaced to fish and wildlife generally; and

(5) encourage the use of the educational and scientific facilities and equipment at the National Fisheries Center and Aquarium by individuals of any nation with which the United States maintains diplomatic relations and which extends similar use of its educational and scientific facilities and equipment to citizens of the United States.

DELEGATION OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR OPERATION OF THE NATIONAL FISHERIES CENTER AND AQUARIUM

SEC. 3. The Secretary shall assign the responsibility for the operation of the National Fisheries Center and Aquarium and related activities to that branch of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife having as its major activity the rearing and holding of living fishes, including the operation of aquariums.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL FISHERIES CENTER AND AQUARIUM ADVISORY BOARD

Sec. 4. There is hereby established a nonpartisan Advisory Board to be known as the National Fisheries Center and Aquarium Advisory Board. The Advisory Board shall meet from time to time on the call of the Chairman. The functions of the Board shall be to render advice and to submit recommendations to the Secretary of the Interior upon his request, or upon its own initiative, concerning the management and operation of the National Fisheries Center and Aquarium. Five members shall constitute a quorum to transact business. The Secretary may designate an employee of the Department to serve as Executive Secretary to the Board.

MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY BOARD

Sec. 5. (a) The Advisory Board shall be composed of nine members. The Secretary shall designate the Chairman of the Advisory Board. The Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife shall be a member of such Board ex officio. The remaining eight members of such Board shall be appointed as follows—

(1) two Members of the Senate, appointed by the President of

the Senate;

(2) two Members of the House of Representatives, appointed

by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(3) two individuals appointed by the Secretary, one of whom shall be engaged in or closely associated with, sport fishing, and one of whom shall be engaged in, or closely associated with, commercial fishing; and

(4) two individuals appointed by the Secretary from the public

at large.

(b) Each class of two members of the Advisory Board referred to in subsection (a) shall be appointed for terms of four years, except that, of each such class of two members initially appointed, one shall be appointed for a term of two years. Any person appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which his predecessor was appointed shall be appointed only for the remainder of such term. Of each class of two members of such Board referred to in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a), not more than one shall be from the same political party, and not more than one shall be from the same State. Any member of such Board referred to in such paragraphs (1) and (2) who shall cease to be a Member of Congress during the term of his appointment under this section shall cease to be a member of such Board.

(c) Any vacancy in the Advisory Board shall be filled in the same

manner as in the case of the original appointment.

COMPENSATION OF THE ADVISORY BOARD

Sec. 6. Members of the Advisory Board, other than members appointed under paragraphs (3) and (4) of subsection (a) of section 5, shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for travel, subsistence, and other necessary expenses incurred by them in the performance of the duties vested in the Board. Members of the Board appointed under paragraphs (3) and (4) of subsection (a) of section 5 may each receive \$50 per diem when engaged in the actual performance of duties vested in the Board, in addition to reimbursement for travel, subsistence, and other necessary expenses incurred by them in the performance of such duties.

ANNUAL REPORT

SEC. 7. The Director of the National Fisheries Center and Aquarium shall prepare for the Advisory Board an annual report for presentation to the Secretary of the Interior and to the Congress.

APPROPRIATION

SEC. 8. Funds appropriated and expended hereunder for construction of the buildings for the National Fisheries Center and Aquarium shall not exceed \$10,000,000: Provided, That the expenditure of such funds shall be made subject to the condition that the Secretary of the Interior shall establish charges relating to visitation to and uses of the National Fisheries Center and Aquarium at such rates as in the Secretary's judgment will produce revenues to (a) liquidate the costs of construction within a period of not to exceed thirty years and (b) pay for the annual operation and maintenance costs thereof.

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