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119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. RASKIN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Preserving and Remembering the History of Trump and other Tyrants Act''.

SEC. 2. COLLECTION OF CERTAIN ARTIFACTS RELATING TO PRESIDENCY OF DONALD J. TRUMP.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution shall collect, preserve, and display in the National Museum of American History artifacts reflecting the rise of governmental propaganda, corruption, and authoritarianism due to the two Presidencies of Donald J. Trump from January 20, 2017 through January 20, 2021, and January 20, 2025 through January 20, 2029, to be included in a permanent exhibition devoted to the American struggle against authoritarianism, monarchy and autocracy in all their forms over the course of American history.

(b) TYPES OF ARTIFACTS.—In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution shall consider collecting and preserving—

(1) all artifacts relating to the Secretary of the Interior's implementation of Executive Order 14416, titled ''Restoring Trust in the Smithsonian Institution,'' including all signage that was hung or installed by the Department of Interior after the Executive Order was published on July 24, 2026;

(2) all self-portrait banners hung outside of Federal agencies during the period of January 20, 2025 through January 20, 2029, and any artifacts related to the President's narcissistic self-worship and propagandistic assault on American history and American democracy;

(3) still and video images made by private individuals and the media;

(4) personal narratives of American citizens who resisted and opposed the rise in authoritarianism gripping the United States; and

(5) other artifacts, recordings, and testimonials that the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution determines have lasting historical significance during this time period.

(c) ACCOMPANYING SIGNAGE.—The permanent exhibition described in subsection (a) shall be accompanied by a sign that reads: ''Donald Trump ordered the installation of these signs without any Congressional authorization as required by the Constitution. The 119th Congress passed legislation authorizing this exhibit and insisted that this twice-impeached President's actions be studied by future generations as the kind of authoritarian reaction to democracy that the American people have fought to overcome throughout our history. Use this exhibit to learn

more about Know-Nothingism, white supremacy, the Lost Cause romance with slavery and the Confederacy, McCarthyism, Trump's Big Lie and attack on the 2020 presidential election, and the heroic Americans and movements that opposed and defeated these and other episodes of authoritarian fanaticism.''.

(d) SIGNAGE OUTSIDE SMITHSONIAN.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Director of the National Park Service (NPS), shall remove any signage along the NPS-maintained sidewalks and walkways used by the public to access the Museum, posted without Congressional authorization pursuant to Executive Order 14416 (July 24, 2026).

(2) CERTAIN SIGNAGE REQUIREMENT.—During any period with respect to which the President or any officer of the Executive Branch continues to maintain any signage along the NPS-maintained sidewalks and walkways used by the public to access the Museum, without congressional authorization pursuant to Executive Order 14416 (July 24, 2026), or any similar Executive Order (whether funded by the United States or any private donor), the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Director of the National Park Service (NPS), shall post a sign

of equal size bearing the seal of the United States Congress adjacent to such signage with the text ''Donald Trump ordered the installation of the adjacent sign without any Congressional authorization as required by the Constitution. That sign does not represent the views of the American people nor their elected representatives in Congress. That sign should be studied as the kind of authoritarian reaction to democracy that the American people have fought to overcome throughout our history. To learn more about the discredited legacy of Know-Nothingism, white supremacy, the Lost Cause romance with slavery and the Confederacy, McCarthyism, Trump's Big Lie and attack on the 2020 presidential election, and the heroic Americans and movements that opposed and defeated these and other episodes of authoritarian fanaticism, visit the permanent exhibit in the National Museum of American History authorized by the 119th Congress which contains artifacts documenting the rise of governmental propaganda, corruption, and authoritarianism demonstrated by President Trump's Presidency.''.

(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Smithsonian Institu-

tion $5,000,000 to carry out this section, to remain available until expended.