Bureau of Supplies and Accounts:
“Pay and Subsistence of Naval Personnel, 1946”, $50,000,000;
“Transportation and Recruiting of Naval Personnel, 1946”,
$10,000,000;
“Maintenance, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, 1946”,
$6,000,000;
“Maintenance, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, 1947”,
$10,000,000;
“Transportation of Things, Navy, 1946”, $25,000,000;
“Fuel, Navy, 1946”, $10,000,000.

Bureau of Medicine and Surgery: “Medical Department, Navy,
1946”, $2,000,000.

Bureau of Yards and Docks:
“Maintenance, Bureau of Yards and Docks, 1946”, $3,000,000;
“Maintenance, Bureau of Yards and Docks, 1947”, $3,000,000.

Bureau of Aeronautics:
“Aviation, Navy, 1946”, $65,000,000;
“Aviation, Navy 1947”, $10,000,000.

Marine Corps: “General Expenses, Marine Corps, 1946”,
$20,000,000.

In all, $403,575,000.

No person shall be held liable for an overobligation of any above-
listed appropriation when such overobligation occurs as a result of
the approval of this Act. Such overobligations shall be reduced in
such a manner and at such a rate as to assure no overexpenditure.

Sec. 202. This Act may be cited as the “Navy Department Approp-
riation Act, 1948”.

Approved July 18, 1947.

[CHAPTER 270]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To provide for the appropriate commemoration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the seat of the Federal Government in the District of Columbia.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, to provide for the appropriate commemoration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the seat of the Federal Government in the District of Columbia in the year 1800, there is hereby established a commission to be known as the National Capital Sesqui-Centennial Commission (hereinafter referred to as the “Commission”) and to be composed of fifteen Commissioners, as follows: The President of the United States, who shall be ex officio Chairman; the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, ex officio; three Senators to be appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate and three Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, ex officio; three senators to be appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate and three representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; three residents of the District of Columbia to be appointed by the President after receiving the recommendations of the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia; and three prominent citizens residents in the District of Columbia at large to be appointed by the President. The Commissioners, with the approval of the Chairman, shall select an Executive Vice Chairman from among their number.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the Commission, after promulgating to the American people an address relative to the reason of its creation and of its purpose, to prepare a plan or plans and a program for the signalizing the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the seat of the Federal Government in the District of Columbia; to give due and proper consideration to any plan which may be
submitted to it; to take such steps as may be necessary in the coordination and correlation of plans prepared by State commissions or by bodies created under appointment by the governors of the respective States and Territories or by representative civic bodies; and, if the participation of other nations in the commemoration be deemed advisable, to communicate with the governments of such nations.

SEC. 3. When the Commission shall have approved of any plan of commemoration, then it shall submit such plan, insofar as it may relate to the fine arts, to the Commission of Fine Arts for its approval, and, insofar as it may relate to the plan of the National Capital and its history, to the National Capital Park and Planning Commission and the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia for their joint approval, and in accordance with statutory requirements.

SEC. 4. The Commission, after selecting an Executive Vice Chairman from among its members, may employ a director and a secretary and such other assistants as may be needed to organize and perform the necessary technical and clerical work connected with the Commission's duties and may also engage the services of expert advisers without regard to civil-service laws and the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, and may fix their compensation within the amounts appropriated for such purposes.

SEC. 5. The Commissioners shall receive no compensation for their services, but shall be paid actual and necessary traveling, hotel, and other expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties, out of the amounts appropriated therefor.

SEC. 6. The Commission shall, on or before the 2d day of January 1948, make a report to the Congress, in order that further enabling legislation may be enacted.


Approved July 18, 1947.

[CHAPTER 271]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Authorizing the President to approve the trusteeship agreement for the Territory of the Pacific Islands.

Whereas the United States submitted to the Security Council of the United Nations for its approval in accordance with article 83 of the Charter of the United Nations a proposed trusteeship agreement for the Pacific islands formerly mandated to Japan under which the United States would be prepared to administer those islands under trusteeship in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations; and

Whereas the Security Council on April 2, 1947, approved unanimously the trusteeship agreement with amendments acceptable to the United States; and

Whereas the said agreement, having been approved by the Security Council, will come into force upon approval by the Government of the United States after due constitutional process: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President is hereby authorized to approve, on behalf of the United States, the trusteeship agreement between the United States of America and the Security Council of the United Nations for the former Japanese mandated islands (to be known as the Territory of the Pacific Islands) which was approved by the Security Council at the seat of the United Nations, Lake Success, Nassau County, New York, on April 2, 1947. Approved July 18, 1947.