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H. R. 7833

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to authorize the repair of the damaged Stiltsville structure in Biscayne National Park, Florida, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 19, 2022

Ms. SALAZAR (for herself, Mr. GIMENEZ, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, and Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Stiltsville Restoration
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. REPAIR OF DAMAGED STILTSVILLE STRUCTURE.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Interior shall
8 approve, in writing, the repair of the damaged Stiltsville

1 structure in Biscayne National Park, Florida, subject to
2 the following conditions:

3 (1) The Stiltsville Trust shall oversee the com-
4 pliance of the caretaker with respect to all require-
5 ments for construction and major repairs under the
6 cooperative agreement and in accordance with the
7 management plans for Biscayne National Park, in-
8 cluding—

9 (A) submitting a written request to carry
10 out construction and repairs with respect to the
11 damaged Stiltsville structure;

12 (B) submitting, for approval by the Sec-
13 retary, plans and specifications that meet the
14 requirements of all relevant laws;

15 (C) obtaining performance bonds from con-
16 tractors as necessary; and

17 (D) covering the cost of repairs.

18 (2) No Federal Funds may be used in carrying
19 out repairs to the damaged Stiltsville structure under
20 this section.

21 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

22 (1) CARETAKER.—The term “caretaker” means
23 the caretaker of the damaged Stiltsville structure,
24 Southbay Ecosystems, Inc.

1 (2) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT.—The term “co-
2 operative agreement” means the Stiltsville
3 Strucuture Management Agreement, numbered
4 CFDA #15.954, and signed on behalf of the Na-
5 tional Park Service on January 14, 2016.

6 (3) DAMAGED STILTSVILLE STRUCTURE.—The
7 term “damaged Stiltsville structure” means the
8 Stiltsville structure known as the LeShaw House,
9 which was damaged by a fire on January 11, 2021.

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