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Attention Natural Resources Subcommittee of the Joint Ways & Means Committee.

I write in support of HB 2007, in particular the inclusion of language that separates National Park Service (NPS) historic district designation from local land use restrictions.

The NPS is an honorary designation, and the distinction process is set up to be relatively easy to establish. There is a very undemocratic process - over half the owners in a proposed district must sign a notarized objection to prevent the district designation. If you do not submit a notarized objection, you are counted as a supporter. For an honorary designation, that may be fine.

But when local land-use restrictions are linked to the national honorary designation, property rights of home owners are reduced in a very undemocratic way. I feel this is not appropriate. It constitutes a "taking" without due process.

I strongly support including in HB2007 the language the disconnects NPS historic districts from local land-use restrictions.

Thank you for your consideration,

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