

No. 1978-98

AN ACT

SB 283

Authorizing the Department of General Services, on behalf of the Commonwealth to acquire certain land in the Borough of Cornwall, Lebanon County, Pennsylvania.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The Department of General Services, on behalf of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, is authorized and empowered to acquire from Bethlehem Mines Corporation, on behalf of the Commonwealth, certain land with structural improvements adjacent to the property known as Cornwall Furnace in the Borough of Cornwall, Lebanon County, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a railroad spike in the center line of Pennsylvania Legislative Route 137, said railroad spike also being northeasterly corner of a tract of land, which was conveyed by Bethlehem Mines Corporation to Lebanon County Industrial Development Authority by deed dated December 4, 1973, recorded in the office for the recording of deeds in Lebanon County in Deed Book 113, at Page 541; thence along the northerly line of said last mentioned tract of land, north 87 degrees 45 minutes 40 seconds west 121.60 feet to a boat spike in the easterly line of a tract of land now or formerly of Leroy E. Capp and Sidney A. Capp, his wife; thence along the easterly line of said last mentioned tract of land, north 10 degrees 4 minutes 6 seconds west 408.35 feet to a boat spike in the southerly line of a tract of land now or formerly of the General State Authority of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; thence, along the lines of said last mentioned tract of land, the following three courses and distances:

(1) north 57 degrees 36 minutes 26 seconds east 51.21 feet to an iron pipe;

(2) north 12 degrees 48 minutes 34 seconds west 107.60 feet to a boat spike; and

(3) north 5 degrees 37 minutes 26 seconds east 226.46 feet to a point in the center line of the public road leading from Cornwall to Rexmont; thence along the center line of said last mentioned public road, north 63 degrees 46 minutes 37 seconds east 194.36 feet to the point of intersection of said last mentioned center line with the center line of said Pennsylvania Legislative Route 137; thence along the center line of said Pennsylvania Legislative Route 137, the following six courses and distances:

(1) southwestwardly, by a curve to the left the radius of which is

119.32 feet and the chord of which bears south 26 degrees 58 minutes 57 seconds west 135.98 feet, an arc distance of 144.68 feet;

(2) south 7 degrees 45 minutes 23 seconds east 82.00 feet;

(3) southwestwardly, by a curve to the right the radius of which is 1,368.69 feet and the chord of which bears south 5 degrees 40 minutes 11 seconds east 99.66 feet, an arc distance of 99.68 feet;

(4) south 3 degrees 35 minutes 0 seconds east 265.03 feet;

(5) south 1 degree 4 minutes 20 seconds west 211.48 feet; and

(6) southeastwardly, by a curve to the left the radius of which is 410.28 feet and the chord of which bears south 4 degrees 2 minutes 2 seconds east 73.03 feet, an arc distance of 73.13 feet to said railroad spike, the point or place of beginning; Containing 2.664 acres, more or less.

Having erected thereon three mid-nineteenth century structures which have historical and architectural significance as they relate to and represent certain aspects of life on the ironmaster's estate of which Cornwall Furnace was a part.

Section 2. Title to the property shall be taken subject to the following conditions and covenants:

(1) Grantor shall retain ownership of the tile beds located approximately in the center of the tract conveyed.

(2) Grantor shall retain an easement for the construction, maintenance and removal of the tile beds.

(3) Grantor shall retain an easement for an existing water line crossing the southern portion of the tract.

(4) The conveyance shall be subject to the easements presently in existence.

Section 3. The property shall be under the jurisdiction of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission for preservation, care and maintenance as a historical site. The commission shall have the power to adopt and enforce rules and regulations for the preservation of the property and the visitation thereof by the public.

Section 4. The title to the property shall be taken in the name of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania subject to the prior approval of the Department of Justice.

Section 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 1st day of July, A. D. 1978.

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