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To prescribe requirements relating to the management of the Federal property commonly known as Plum Island, New York, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. MURPHY, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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 “Plum Island Preserva-
5 tion Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PERMANENT PRESERVATION OF PLUM ISLAND,**
7 **NEW YORK.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Federal property commonly
9 known as Plum Island, New York, shall be protected in

1 perpetuity for the purpose of ecological conservation, his-
2 torical preservation, and the discovery and celebration of
3 the shared cultural heritage of the Island.

4 (b) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 180 days after
5 the date of enactment of this Act, the Administrator of
6 General Services (referred to in this section as the “Ad-
7 ministrator”), in consultation with relevant Federal and
8 State agencies and other relevant stakeholders, shall ini-
9 tiate a process to create a plan for the management of
10 the Federal property commonly known as Plum Island,
11 New York, in accordance with subsection (a).

12 (c) REPORTS.—Not later than 2 years after the date
13 on which the Administrator, in consultation with relevant
14 Federal and State agencies and other relevant stake-
15 holders, initiates the process required under subsection
16 (b), and each year thereafter until the date that is 1 year
17 after the date on which the plan required under that sub-
18 section is completed, the Administrator shall submit to the
19 Committees on Homeland Security and Governmental Af-
20 fairs and Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and
21 the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Natural Re-
22 sources, and Oversight and Accountability of the House
23 of Representatives a report that describes—

24 (1) the stakeholders consulted during that proc-
25 ess;

1 (2) the items discussed or reviewed during that
2 process for the period covered by the applicable re-
3 port;

4 (3) the outcomes of that process, or expected
5 outcomes if the process is ongoing;

6 (4) if that process is not completed, the esti-
7 mated timeline for completion; and

8 (5) if that process is completed, the rec-
9 ommended plan for management of the Federal
10 property commonly known as Plum Island, New
11 York, in accordance with subsection (a).

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