

our country, rather than to permit action by a greedy few which clearly violates the sanctity of the river shore along the George Washington Memorial Parkway. The Engineers could best use their efforts to clear and clean the creek where it enters the river, and to remove the trash and pollution which are now destroying not only the scenic value of the river but the wildlife in its environs.

I am a concerned American, a registered voter in the State of Virginia and the city of Alexandria and have a right to be heard on this issue. Listen to the people. The people have made this great land. Pray, oh, I pray you, prevent this terrible action with which we are threatened. A simple bulkhead to deepen the waterway and clean the creek would be magnificent. But the construction of a huge apartment complex is a sellout of the interests of the people. Please stop it.

Mr. Jones, you and your committee, representing the interests of the people throughout the Nation, have the power and authority to bring out all the facts in this situation and to show in true perspective the action proposed. We, the people, rely upon the high principles you have shown in the past to help avoid the danger now threatened.

Sincerely yours,

JANE D. CONNELLY,
Mrs. John W. Connelly, Jr.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., June 19, 1968.

Hon. ROBERT E. JONES,
House Office Building,
Washington, D.C.

DEAR SIR: I am writing for my husband, Ben A. J. Fuller (Civ. Dept. of Army), who has returned to Vietnam, and myself in violent opposition to the Hunting Creek estuary being filled in. He is a great outdoorsman, fishes, puts the fish back, etc., and we have spent many, many hours in a canoe up and down the banks of the Potomac, and cry when we see the pollution and fill. As for no birds in this one; Mr. Holland at the Alexandria hearing before the Engineers is wrong and I don't know when he sent his son to take the movies, we went by last week when my husband was home and *there were birds*. You see, with powerful glasses my husband watches them from our porch.

I also understand Speaker of the House's son-in-law is a lawyer for the group who own the land (?). Just because some "powers that be" bought land and invested money and now it's a "poor investment." No one pays for my "poor investments." I suggest they donate it to Alexandria or the State as a park for birds and take an "income tax deduction."

Sincerely,

ROBERTA TAYLOR FULLER
Mrs. A. J. Fuller.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., June 19, 1968.

Hon. ROBERT E. JONES,
Chairman, National Research and Power Subcommittee,
Rayburn House Office Building,
Washington, D.C.

DEAR SIR: Enclosed is a statement which I made as a representative of the Mount Vernon chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, at the Corps of Engineers hearings on February 21, 1968, in regard to the Hunting Creek estuary landfill and the building of a high-rise apartment thereon.

Also enclosed is a copy of a resolution adopted by the Virginia State Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, in March 1968.

It is requested by the Mount Vernon Chapter, DAR, that these documents be made a part of the hearings of your committee to be held on June 24, 1968.

Respectfully,

HARRIOTTE W. BYRD SMITH
Mrs. Julian C. Smith,

Virginia State Chairman, Resolutions Committee, NSDAR.

STATEMENT OF MRS. JULIAN C. SMITH, REPRESENTING THE MOUNT VERNON CHAPTER,
DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, ALEXANDRIA, VA.

Jones Point Lighthouse, the oldest inland lighthouse in the United States, built in 1850, was deeded by act of Congress to the Mount Vernon Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, in 1924. The deed included the first boundary stone laid of the 10-mile-square area of the District of Columbia.