

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, lands of the United States within the area hereinafter described in the State of California contain objects of such historic and scientific interest as to justify their reservation and protection as a National Monument;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CALVIN COOLIDGE, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the power in me vested by Section 2 of the Act of Congress approved June 8, 1906 (34 Stat., 225), entitled, "An Act For the preservation of American antiquities", do proclaim that there are hereby reserved from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, subject to all prior valid adverse claims, and set apart as the Lava Beds National Monument, all tracts of land owned by the United States in the State of California lying within the area described as follows:

Beginning at the quarter section corner on the east side of Section thirteen, Township forty-six North, Range three East, Mount Diablo Meridian; thence running due east to the shore line of Tule Lake; thence following the shore line of said Lake in a southerly and easterly direction to its intersection with the east line of Section seven, Township forty-six North, Range five East; thence running southerly along the section line to the southeast corner Section thirty-one, said Township; thence westerly to the northeast corner of Township forty-five North, Range four East; thence southerly to the southeast corner of said Township; thence westerly to the southwest corner of Section thirty-five, Township forty-five North, Range three East; thence northerly to the northwest corner of Section two, said Township; thence easterly to the southeast corner of Township forty-six North, Range three East; thence northerly to the point of beginning; also Lot three, Section ten, Township forty-six North, Range five East—all Mount Diablo Meridian.

The reservation made by this proclamation is not intended to prevent the use of the lands for National Forest purposes under the proclamation establishing the Modoc National Forest, and the two reservations shall both be effective on the land withdrawn but the National Monument hereby established shall be the dominant reservation and any use of the land which interferes with its preservation or protection as a National Monument is hereby forbidden.

Warning is hereby given to all unauthorized persons not to appropriate, injure, deface, remove, or destroy any feature of this National Monument, or to locate or settle on any of the lands reserved by this proclamation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 21st day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and [SEAL] twenty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and fiftieth.

CALVIN COOLIDGE