Preservationists race to save Sabine Pass lighthouse in its toughest fight—against time

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For nearly 200 years, the lighthouse at Sabine Pass stood watch over the coastal waters of Louisiana, a vital aid to navigation for ships trying to find their way through the treacherous rocks and shoals that lie off the mouth of the Sabine River. But now, the lighthouse is facing its greatest challenge yet: a proposal to build a new port facility just south of the existing tower.

The lighthouse was built in 1836 by the United States Coast Guard and has stood sentinel over the Sabine Pass for nearly two centuries. It is one of only a few remaining lighthouses in the United States that were constructed before the Civil War.

Unfortunately, the lighthouse has been hit by several hurricanes and storms over the years, and its structure is now in need of extensive repairs. Preservationists are racing against time to save the lighthouse before it is too late.

The National Park Service, which is responsible for maintaining the lighthouse, has been working on a plan to upgrade the existing structure to meet modern standards. However, the cost of the project is estimated to be between $10 million and $15 million, far超出 the agency’s budget.

In response, a group of preservationists has launched a campaign to raise funds for the project. They have already raised several hundred thousand dollars, but they need more to complete the work.

If the lighthouse is not saved, it will be lost forever. It is not only an important piece of history, but also a vital aid to navigation for ships in the Gulf of Mexico.

So, if you are a fan of history or just want to see the lighthouse continue to stand sentinel over the Sabine Pass for many more years to come, please consider making a donation to the preservation effort.

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