

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 94

Reps. Cherry, Sneller, Ellison, Tyrone Carter, Sabo, Mueller, Chirkun, Cambensy, Hertel, Cynthia Johnson, Sowerby, Brixie, Warren, Neeley, Howell, Hope, Green, Kuppa, Stone, Hood, Shannon, Pagan, Koleszar, Camilleri, Anthony, Manoogian, Haadsma, Pohutsky, Brann, Vaupel, Yaroch, Crawford, Hoadley, Webber, O'Malley, Paquette, Inman, Kennedy, Hammoud, Brenda Carter, Love, Allor, Calley, Garza, Gay-Dagnogo, Jones, Lasinski, Leutheuser, Rendon and Witwer offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to commemorate the centennial of state parks in
2 Michigan.

3 Whereas, Michigan is known for its diverse outdoor spaces
4 which have created many picturesque scenes and experiences. Our
5 state is home to 103 state parks, comprised of over 300,000 acres
6 of land in containing more than 1000 miles of trails, 138 state



1 forest campgrounds, and numerous waterways and heritage sites; and
2 Whereas, No matter your location in Michigan, you are never
3 more than a half-hour away from enjoying the expanse of a state
4 park, state forest campground, or state trail system; and

5 Whereas, On May 12th, 1919, the Michigan State Park Commission
6 was created to acquire and maintain public lands for state parks;
7 and

8 Whereas; 2019 marks the 100th year of Michigan state parks
9 with outdoor opportunities extending from Milliken State Park and
10 Harbor in Detroit, Michigan's first urban state park providing a
11 green oasis in the heart of the city, to Porcupine Mountains
12 Wilderness State Park, offering one of the few remaining large wild
13 areas in the Midwest; and

14 Whereas, Our state parks draw vacationers, hunters, and nature
15 enthusiasts from across the world and our forests, lakes, and
16 thousands of miles of beaches are top attractions; and

17 Whereas, Generations of residents and visitors have fallen in
18 love with these precious natural places, creating lifelong
19 memories; now, therefore, be it

20 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
21 this legislative body commemorate the centennial of state parks in
22 Michigan. We hold dear the treasured memories and cherished
23 experiences given to us by these priceless entities; and be it
24 further

25 Resolved, That May 12, 2019, is recognized as the 100th
26 anniversary of the creation of the Michigan State Park Commission.