

## 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 and Love 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  
7 forest campgrounds, and numerous waterways and heritage sites; and



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

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

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

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

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

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

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