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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Starved Rock State Park holds significant historical and cultural importance to the residents of the State of Illinois; and

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WHEREAS, The name Starved Rock has become synonymous with the natural beauty and heritage of our State for over 100 years, attracting visitors from across the nation and contributing to the local economy; and

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WHEREAS, Recent discussions regarding the potential renaming of Starved Rock State Park have raised concerns among residents and local businesses regarding the impact such a change could have on local communities' identities and the tourism industry; and

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WHEREAS, It is crucial for the General Assembly to reaffirm its support for maintaining the name Starved Rock State Park and emphasize its significance to the local community's brand identity and cultural heritage; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we express our unwavering support for the name Starved Rock State Park, and

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1 we recognize its importance to the local community and its
2 brand identity; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That we acknowledge the concerns raised by
4 residents and local businesses regarding the potential
5 renaming of Starved Rock State Park, and we pledge to advocate
6 for the preservation of the park's historic name; and be it
7 further

8 RESOLVED, That we encourage open dialogue and
9 collaboration with relevant stakeholders, including Tribal
10 Nations and Indigenous communities, to address concerns and
11 explore ways to honor the park's heritage while respecting
12 diverse perspectives; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
14 delivered to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and
15 Governor JB Pritzker.