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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, On the Saturday of July 15, 2023, people all 2 3 across Illinois will "unplug", or take a break from using electronic devices, to enjoy everything that their local 4 parks, recreation sites, and conservation areas have to offer; 5 6 and 7 WHEREAS, Unplug Illinois Day, a public service campaign by 8 the Illinois Park and Recreation Association, was designed to 9 help communicate the value that unplugging offers to 10 residents; and WHEREAS, Studies have shown that unplugging is essential 11 12 to maintain a healthy lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 43% of Americans aged 18 to 29 use

in front of a screen outside of school and homework; and

WHEREAS, On average, children spend over seven hours a day

- their smartphones at least four hours per day; and
- WHEREAS, At present, 80% of Americans do not get enough
- 18 exercise on a daily basis; and

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19 WHEREAS, Unplugging at Illinois parks and facilities is

- 1 one of the most convenient ways to stay active and get
- 2 exercise; therefore, be it
- 3 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
- 4 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare July 15,
- 5 2023 as Unplug Illinois Day in the State of Illinois; and be it
- 6 further
- 7 RESOLVED, That we encourage all citizens to participate in
- 8 this opportunity by unplugging from their electronic devices
- 9 and visiting their local parks, recreation sites, and
- 10 conservation areas.