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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2	WHEREAS,	Starved	Rock	State	Park	holds	sign	ifi	cant
3	historical a	nd cultura	al impo	ortance	to th	ne resid	dents	of	the
4	State of Illinois; and								

- 5 WHEREAS, The name Starved Rock has become synonymous with 6 the natural beauty and heritage of our State for over 100 7 years, attracting visitors from across the nation and 8 contributing to the local economy; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Recent discussions regarding the potential 10 renaming of Starved Rock State Park have raised concerns among 11 residents and local businesses regarding the impact such a 12 change could have on local communities' identities and the 13 tourism industry; and
- 14 WHEREAS, It is crucial for the General Assembly to
 15 reaffirm its support for maintaining the name Starved Rock
 16 State Park and emphasize its significance to the local
 17 community's brand identity and cultural heritage; therefore,
 18 be it
- RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we express our
 unwavering support for the name Starved Rock State Park, and

1 we recognize its importance to the local community and its

- brand identity; and be it further
- 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
- 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
- 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.