

MISSOURI PARKS ASSOCIATION

Resolution

Whereas, the remaining wildlands and wilderness areas of Missouri are a precious and dwindling outdoor resource of value to all Missourians; and,

Whereas, the Missouri Parks Association has consistently supported the protection of such resources, both on state lands in the Wild Areas System in Missouri State Parks, and on federal lands in the National Wilderness Preservation System; and,

Whereas, there has been a proposal brought forward for the protection of seven areas on the Mark Twain National Forest and the Ozark National Scenic Riverways under the provisions of the National Wilderness Preservation Act, including the backcountry portions of one of the oldest and most beloved former state parks, Big Spring, in Carter County;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Missouri Parks Association hereby endorses the proposal of the Missouri Wilderness Coalition to protect these seven areas for the benefit of all Missourians, and calls upon the Missouri Congressional Delegation to sponsor and pass legislation to accomplish these purposes.

Unanimously adopted, this 2nd day of May, 2007.

Attest:

B. H. Rucker, Secretary
Missouri Parks Association