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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1496

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 1496 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 1. Findings. The General Assembly finds that:

5 (a) The historic site of New Salem has fallen into severe
6 disrepair, which poses safety hazards and threatens its
7 cultural and historic significance.

8 (b) Immediate renovations are necessary to preserve the
9 structural integrity of the site and to ensure public
10 accessibility and safety.

11 (c) The State recognizes the importance of New Salem as a
12 historic landmark and its role in education, tourism, and
13 local economic development.

14 (d) Due to the urgent need for repairs, this Act is an
15 emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of
16 New Salem.

17 Section 5. The sum of \$19,000,000, or so much of that sum

1 as may be necessary, is appropriated from the Build Illinois
2 Bond Fund to the Department of Natural Resources for capital
3 improvements at the New Salem State Historic Site, including
4 reconstruction of the Grist Mill at the site, repair and
5 maintenance of all structures and perimeter fencing within the
6 site, illumination of all outdoor statues and flags at the
7 site, and repair of the wagon wheel structure at the entrance
8 of the site.

9 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,
10 2025.".