July 30, 2004

To the Honorable Members of the Illinois Senate 93rd General Assembly

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 9(b) of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, I hereby veto Senate Bill 2273, entitled "AN ACT concerning recreational trails." While I recognize that Off-Highway Vehicle enthusiasts desire expansion of funding for recreational trails, this legislation does not reflect the compromise language I offered last year. Additionally, this legislation would leave no funds available for remediation of damage to natural areas that Off-Highway Vehicles may cause.

For this reason, I hereby veto and return Senate Bill 2273.

Sincerely,

ROD R. BLAGOJEVICH Governor