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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The natural beauty of the State of Illinois
3 accounts for much of the State's revenue and tourism from
4 within the State and from other states as well; and

5 WHEREAS, The valley of the Rock River offers breathtaking
6 sights and would undoubtedly benefit from projects to enhance
7 its beauty and make the area more accessible to tourism;
8 therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
10 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
11 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that That we direct the Illinois
12 Department of Transportation, in consultation with the
13 Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, the
14 Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Henry County, Lee
15 County, Ogle County, Rock Island County, Whiteside County, and
16 Winnebago County, to study the creation of a trail to connect
17 with the existing Hennepin Canal State Trail, and enhance the
18 active recreational attractiveness profile of northwestern
19 Illinois; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That any such trail created in compliance with
21 this Joint Resolution shall not include the condemnation of
22 private property or any entry upon private property without the

1 consent of the owner and that as much of the trail as possible
2 shall be mapped out on existing public rights-of-way; and be it
3 further

4 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
5 delivered to the Secretary of the Illinois Department of
6 Transportation, the Secretary of the Illinois Department of
7 Commerce and Economic Opportunity, the Secretary of the
8 Illinois Department of Natural Resources, and the county boards
9 of Henry County, Lee County, Ogle County, Rock Island County,
10 Whiteside County, and Winnebago County.