

**Conservation Federation of Missouri  
2018 Resolutions**

**# 2018 - 7**

**Originating Committee:** Public/Private Lands Committee

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**Intended Recipient:** Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR)

**Strengthening the Missouri Department of Natural Resources Mission Statement**

**WHEREAS**, the current Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Mission Statement (on the official website) reads: “The mission of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources is to protect Missouri’s natural resources while promoting the environmentally sound operations of businesses, agriculture and industry in our interactions with the public”; and

**WHEREAS**, the Missouri voters have overwhelmingly supported, through ballot initiatives and constitutional amendments, the protection and preservation of the natural and cultural resources that this great state has; and

**WHEREAS**, as previously written, “The mission of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources is to protect our air, land and water; preserve our unique natural and historic places; and provide recreational and learning opportunities for everyone.”; and

**WHEREAS**, the previous statement was developed through a team process with major staff input and review of statutes, policy, and practice throughout DNR’s history; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED** that the Conservation Federation of Missouri assembled at the Capitol Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City, MO, on this 11th day of March, 2018, asks the Missouri Department of Natural Resources to rewrite their mission statement to include the language: “and to preserve our unique natural and historic places, while providing recreational and educational opportunities for all citizens”; be it further

**RESOLVED** we encourage DNR to engage in an open process with significant staff involvement in developing a revised mission statement.

Searchable key words: Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Mission Statement, DNR, Historical Sites

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