



## 1997 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 48

April 11, 1997 - Introduced by Representatives BLACK, KRUG, DOBYNS, BAUMGART, M. LEHMAN, BALDWIN, VRAKAS, BOCK, PORTER, RYBA, GOETSCH, NOTESTEIN, KELSO and HOVEN, cosponsored by Senators PANZER, WIRCH, FITZGERALD, C. POTTER, HUELSMAN, BUETTNER, COWLES and WEEDEN. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

1       **Relating to:** recognizing the importance of the Kettle Moraine.

2           Whereas, the Wisconsin Glacier created a landscape of glacial features in  
3 Wisconsin in concentrations found nowhere else on earth; and

4           Whereas, one of the most spectacular concentrations of these glacial features  
5 is found in the Kettle Moraine area of Fond du Lac, Sheboygan, Washington,  
6 Waukesha and Walworth counties; and

7           Whereas, the state of Wisconsin began in the 1930's acquiring the lands of the  
8 Kettle Moraine, replanting its forests, taking care to protect its glacial features, and  
9 managing the lands for perpetuity as the Kettle Moraine State Forest; and

10          Whereas, the need to protect the Kettle Moraine in Washington and Waukesha  
11 counties has never been greater, due to urban development; and

12          Whereas, the Kettle Moraine Task Force of the Wisconsin Academy of Sciences,  
13 Arts and Letters, the Ice Age Park and Trail Foundation and the Southeastern  
14 Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission have all recommended that the Kettle  
15 Moraine be protected as an environmental corridor; now, therefore, be it

16           *Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That* the Wisconsin  
17 legislature recognizes the importance of the Kettle Moraine State Forest in

1 protecting the features of our glacial landscape, providing open space and  
2 recreational opportunity and maintaining and enhancing natural communities; and,  
3 be it further

4 ***Resolved, That*** the Wisconsin legislature encourages the efforts of the  
5 Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, in cooperation with private citizens,  
6 conservation organizations and local governments, to protect the Kettle Moraine  
7 lands linking the Northern and Southern units of the Kettle Moraine State Forest  
8 and provide for a route of the Ice Age Trail.

9 (END)