

**Conservation Federation of Missouri  
2016 Resolution**

Committee: Natural History, Parks & Wildlands

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**Title**

**WHEREAS**, the Missouri State Parks are for the enjoyment of all Missourians.

**AND WHEREAS**, the rules and regulations of Missouri State Parks have been developed and promulgated to assure and promote the safe and enjoyable use of the Missouri State Parks by the greatest number of citizens.

**AND WHEREAS**, to protect the environment, wildlife, and visitors in Rock Bridge Memorial State Park there have been promulgated regulations that require all dogs to be on a leash while in the Park.

**AND WHEREAS**, any day of the week it is clearly visible that people are running their dogs free as if in a “Dog Park” in both the Grasslands and Karst Trail Head areas of the Park.

**AND WHEREAS**, many past park visitors to the park no longer feel safe or welcome in the Rock Bridge Memorial State Park because of the free ranging dogs being “walked”.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Conservation Federation of Missouri assembled at the Capitol Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City, MO, this 20th day of March, 2016 that the Missouri State Parks Management enforce the leash regulations in Rock Bridge Memorial State Park (at least).