

1 Senate JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17

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4 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF  
5 MONTANA URGING CONGRESS TO ENACT LEGISLATION PERTAINING TO OPENING AND CLOSING  
6 DATES FOR YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK ENTRANCES, SUMMER AND WINTER ACTIVITIES IN THE  
7 PARK, AND THE FEES FOR THE PARK.

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9 WHEREAS, Montana communities bordering Yellowstone National Park have an intense interest in  
10 the park and have economies that are directly tied to the park; and

11 WHEREAS, those communities bordering the park have such close ties to the park that it is in the  
12 communities' best interests that the park be cared for and provided for; and

13 WHEREAS, the Secretary of the Interior and the National Park Service have stated that all national  
14 parks should work cooperatively and in partnership with the communities surrounding the parks; and

15 WHEREAS, Montana United States Senator Conrad Burns is proposing to introduce legislation to  
16 Congress pertaining to opening and closing dates for the various entrances to the park and summer and  
17 winter recreational uses of the park; and

18 WHEREAS, the Montana Legislature is in agreement with the legislation that Senator Burns is  
19 proposing to introduce.

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21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
22 STATE OF MONTANA:

23 That the Montana Legislature, on behalf of all Montanans, urge Congress to enact the legislation  
24 that is being proposed by Senator Burns pertaining to opening and closing dates of Yellowstone National  
25 Park entrances and summer and winter activities in the park, including having the Secretary of the Interior  
26 receive input from park gateway communities prior to changing the fees.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State transmit a copy of this resolution to the  
28 President of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of the  
29 United States Senate, and the members of the Montana Congressional Delegation.

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