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**RESOLUTION TO THE COUNTY CONSERVATION CONGRESS
HEARING HELD APRIL 13, 2009**

TITLE:

**PRESEASON MARKING OF TRAP SITES ON PUBLIC LAND
WITH STAKES OR OTHER DEVICES IS ILLEGAL.**

THE PROBLEM:

**AT PRESENT THE STATE LAW PERMITS PRESEASON
MARKING OF TRAP SITES. WHILE THIS ACTION IS LEGAL IT
IMPLIES OWNERSHIP AND LEADS TO CONFLICT BETWEEN
TRAPPERS AND LEADS TO ILLEGALLY PLACING TRAPS ON
STAKES. IF ONE TRAPPER REMOVES ANOTHER TRAPPERS
PRESEASON STAKES THIS ACTION LEADS TO MORE CONFLICT
BETWEEN TRAPPERS. THIS ACTIVITY ALSO TEACHES YOUNG
TRAPPERS THAT GREED TRUMPHS SPORTSMANSHIP. BY
MAKING PRESEASON STAKING ILLEGAL THIS SOURCE OF
CONFLICT AND MOST UNSPORTMAN LIKE CONDUCT WOULD
BE ELIMINATED.**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED:

**THAT THE CONSERVATION CONGRESS AT ITS ANNUAL MEETING
HELD APRIL 13, 2009 RECOMMEND THAT PRESSEASON MARKING
OF TRAP SITES USING STAKES OR OTHER DEVICES IS ILLEGAL.**

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