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## RESOLUTION

**Whereas** the proposed acquisition of seven rail grade corridor segments would bring 112.6 miles of new trail into the state trail system and add three new trails to the existing 37 designated state trails. Corridors include rail segments from West Bend to Eden, New London to Seymour, Little Lake Butte des Morts bridge, Crandon to White Lake, Luxemburg to Kewaunee, Greenleaf to Hilbert, and Scandinavia to Manawa.

**Whereas** the acquisition of the seven new segments would make Wisconsin the national leader in rail-trail miles with 1,412 miles;

**Whereas** the increased exposure of the state trails network as a result of the new trails would likely bring additional visitors to these areas, and result in increased state revenues. Economic impacts to local communities as a result of trail visitors would also be significant;

**It is therefore RESOLVED** that the Governor's State Trails Council endorses the proposed acquisition by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources of seven rail grade corridors.

**Unanimously passed this seventh day of April 2003 by the Governor's Wisconsin State Trails Council.**