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Commemorating the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Saint Louis Zoo.

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 21, 2010

Mrs. McCaskill (for herself and Mr. BOND) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

## **RESOLUTION**

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- Whereas, in 1910, the citizens of Saint Louis, Missouri, inspired by the Smithsonian's Flight Cage, a large walkthrough bird cage constructed in Saint Louis for the 1904 World's Fair and purchased by the city of Saint Louis at the conclusion of the fair, formed the Saint Louis Zoological Society and encouraged the city of Saint Louis to set aside 77 acres in historic Forest Park for the establishment of a zoological park;
- Whereas, guided by legislation providing that "the zoo shall be forever free" and supported by the extraordinary generosity of the people of Saint Louis, the Saint Louis Zoo is, and has been since its inception, accessible for all, en-

riching the lives of millions of people, including a record 3,101,830 visitors in 2009;

- Whereas, through the exceptional work of dedicated staff, state-of-the-art facilities including the Endangered Species Research Center and Veterinary Hospital, and initiatives such as the WildCare Institute, the Saint Louis Zoo has established itself as a world leader in the conservation of endangered species and their habitats;
- Whereas, through classroom presentations, zoo tours, outreach programs, and educational resources such as the Library and Teacher Resource Center, the Saint Louis Zoo has provided invaluable educational opportunities to the members of the public, including tens of thousands of school children from the Saint Louis area for generations; and
- Whereas the 2010 centennial anniversary of the founding of the Saint Louis Zoo is an achievement of historic proportions for the City of Saint Louis, the State of Missouri, the United States, and the world conservation community: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 *Resolved*, That the Senate commemorates the 100th
- anniversary of the founding of the Saint Louis Zoo on 2
- 3 September 24, 2010.