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Commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Mill Springs and the significance of the battle to the Civil War.

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 30, 2012

Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself and Mr. PAUL) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

## RESOLUTION

Commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Mill Springs and the significance of the battle to the Civil War.

- Whereas the Battle of Mill Springs, which took place on January 19, 1862, in Pulaski and Wayne Counties in Kentucky, was the first significant victory for the Union Army in the Civil War, according to the National Park Service;
- Whereas Confederate General Felix Zollicoffer, who died at the Battle of Mill Springs, was one of the first generals to die in the Civil War;
- Whereas the Battle of Mill Springs was the second largest battle to take place in Kentucky during the Civil War, engaging over 10,000 soldiers;

- Whereas the outcome of the Battle of Mill Springs opened the path for the Union Army to move through Kentucky and into Tennessee, affecting the outcome of the Civil War;
- Whereas Mill Springs Battlefield has been designated as a National Historic Landmark by the Department of the Interior;
- Whereas the Mill Springs Battlefield Association, along with volunteers in the surrounding community, has made significant strides in preserving the historic site of the battle and educating the public about the historic event that took place at that site;
- Whereas the Mill Springs Battlefield Association Visitor Center provides visitors with battlefield tours, access to Civil War artifacts, and a Civil War library; and
- Whereas more than 50,000 visitors have traveled to the uniquely preserved battlefield, which spans nearly 500 acres: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—
- 2 (1) recognizes the 150th anniversary of the
  3 Battle of Mill Springs;
- 4 (2) recognizes—
- 5 (A) the work of the Mill Springs Battle-6 field Association in acquiring, preserving, and 7 maintaining Mill Springs Battlefield for pos-8 terity; and

(B) the continuing effort of the Mill
Springs Battlefield Association to educate the
public about this significant historic event;
(3) encourages the people of the United States
to visit Mill Springs Battlefield on the occasion of
the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Mill Springs;
and
(4) recognizes—
(A) the contributions of the soldiers who
fought in the Battle of Mill Springs; and
(B) the outcome of the Battle of Mill
Springs, which helped to preserve the union of
the United States.

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