

Resolution on Protecting the Zoar Valley Multiple Use Area

WHEREAS Zoar Valley Multiple Use Area is a nearly 3,000 acre public land within Erie County and only one hour from Buffalo and it possesses 400 acres of newly discovered rare, ancient forest, nearly all of which is virgin (never disturbed in any way) and;

WHEREAS Zoar Valley includes a 6.4 mile part of a 400 foot deep canyon with nearly a dozen waterfalls, famous white water rapids, the second tallest vertical cliffs in New York State west of the Adirondacks, inspiring vistas, endangered wildlife and plants, and the famous scenic area of Valentine Flats and;

WHEREAS Zoar Valley offers outstanding recreational opportunities and;

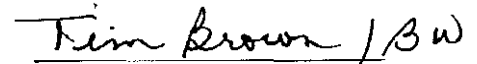
WHEREAS the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation has previously indicated its interest in cutting parts of the old growth forest and in Valentine Flats,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Great Lakes United hereby supports full protection of all old growth from any logging or disturbance in Zoar Valley Multiple Use Areas and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Great Lakes United opposes any logging in the Valentine Flats and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Great Lakes United supports keeping Valentine Flats off limits to motorized vehicles.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT THE EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF GREAT LAKES UNITED ON JUNE 4, 2000.


Tim Brown, Secretary