

<http://www.MSCNews.net/news/index.cfm?nk=68489>

Homestead National Monument name change approved

**(KLZA)--Nebraska 3rd District Congressman Adrian Smith has announced his bill to rename Homestead National Monument in Gage County has passed the House of Representatives.**

**Smith's bill proposed to change the name to Homestead National Historical Park.**

**The park located west of Beatrice includes exhibits allowing families to connect with their own history through the modern visitor center data base. The facility also offers hands-on learning experiences.**

**The Homestead National Monument commemorates the first claim under the the Homestead Act of 1862 signed by President Abraham Lincoln.**

**The site includes a heritage museum, the Freeman School, a tall grass prairie, hiking trails, a forest and farming demonstrations.**

**The bill H.R. 1472 now awaits action in the Senate.**

Many Signals Communications