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The budget needs to provide for our State parks and related services. People from every walk of life can enjoy the State parks, which improve the quality of our life in Connecticut. While richer people can take cruises to Bermuda, the poorer people depend on going to Rocky Neck, Hammonasset, Gay City, and other parks, which provide access to fresh air and nature. In addition, our parks can provide summer jobs for college students. The parks are for everyone, and probably contribute to tourism dollars coming into the State.

Respectfully submitted,

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