

specifications that certain building materials be used in the erection of such structures, and

WHEREAS, In such specifications building materials from localities outside the State of Minnesota have been given preference, and

WHEREAS, There are in this State factories and deposits making available the use of building materials in this State, which said building materials are equal, if not better, in quality to the said building materials imported into the State, and

WHEREAS, Inasmuch as these structures are being erected within the State of Minnesota it is desirable that such building materials be purchased from producers in the State of Minnesota in preference to producers in other states and localities, and

WHEREAS, The purchasing of such materials from local producers would, to a large extent, help to alleviate the unemployment situation in Minnesota, and also to give Minnesota communities the benefit of the products of this State,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that the State of Minnesota memorialize the Congress of the United States of America to provide, by appropriate legislation or otherwise, that in the erection of all structures in the State of Minnesota by the United States Government, directly or indirectly, building materials produced in the State of Minnesota shall be used and given preference, wherever possible, over such building materials from other states of the union or other localities in the erection of such structures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State of Minnesota be instructed to send copies of this resolution to both houses of Congress and to each member in Congress from the State of Minnesota.

Approved March 8, 1937.

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RESOLUTION No. 12—H. F. No. 295

*A concurrent resolution memorializing the President of the United States and the Congress of the United States that it is the sense of the members of the Minnesota Legislature that the government of the United States should perform its solemn promise and*

*duty and place American agriculture on the basis of equality with other industries by providing an adequate system of credit, and that adequate legislation to that end should be adopted at the earliest possible date.*

WHEREAS, The farmers throughout the entire United States have lost and are losing their lands and chattels through inability to refinance loans and their property because of high interest rates and low prices of agricultural commodities, and

WHEREAS, Agriculture is the basic industry of this country and there can be no sound business prosperity unless the business of agriculture is placed on a sound basis and on an equal basis with other industries, and

WHEREAS, a bill has been introduced in the Senate of the United States known as the Farmers' Farm Relief Act, commonly called the Frazier Bill, to liquidate and refinance agricultural indebtedness, and to encourage and promote agriculture, commerce and industry, by establishing an efficient credit system, through which the unjust and unequal burdens placed upon agriculture, during the period of price fixing and deflation, may be lightened, by providing for the liquidation and refinancing of farm mortgages and farm indebtedness at a reduced rate of interest through the Federal farm loan system, the Federal reserve banking system and the postal savings depository system and creating a Board of Agriculture to supervise the same, and

WHEREAS, This bill is a sound economic measure designed to remedy the inequalities under which agriculture is now laboring,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the State of Minnesota, the Senate concurring, that the Congress of the United States be and it is hereby urgently petitioned to enact the said bill into law, and that the President of the United States be urged to approve said measure after its passage.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Minnesota members of the United States Senate and the Representatives in Congress from the State of Minnesota be and they are hereby petitioned and most earnestly urged to use their best efforts to bring about a speedy enactment of said legislation,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a duly authenticated copy of this resolution be presented to the President of the United States, to the presiding officers of the Senate and of the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States and to each of the Senators and Representatives from the State of Minnesota in the Congress of the United States.

Approved March 12, 1937.