

RESOLUTION No. 7—S. F. No. 314

Joint concurrent resolution assenting to the provisions of the Bankhead-Jones act.

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States has enacted an act known as the Bankhead-Jones Act, and enacted on the 29th day of June, 1935, being Public-No. 182 — 74th Congress, and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the act is to furnish funds to facilitate research into the basic laws and principles relating to agriculture, and to provide for the further development of co-operative agricultural extension work and the more complete endowment and support of land-grant colleges, and

WHEREAS, the provisions of the act make available to the several states and territories certain funds subject to the assent of the states and territories, and

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota, in order to avail itself of its proportions of the funds, desires to assent to the provisions of the act.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the State of Minnesota, the House of Representatives concurring, that the State of Minnesota does assent to the provisions of the said Bankhead-Jones Act, and the assent is hereby given, and that the Secretary of State is hereby directed to send certified copies of this resolution to the Honorable John N. Garner, President of the Senate of the United States, and Honorable William B. Bankhead, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States, and two copies to the Secretary of Agriculture, Henry A. Wallace.

Approved February 18, 1937.

RESOLUTION No. 8—S. F. No. 712

Joint resolution memorializing the United States Senate to ratify, at the instant session of Congress, the treaty between the United States of America and the Dominion of Canada for the building of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Seaway.

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence Seaway Treaty between the United States and the Dominion of Canada, for the development of a sea lane into the Great Lakes remains unratified and, therefore, unfinished business before the country; and

WHEREAS, it is well understood that it is the firm intention of the President of the United States to resubmit a Treaty for the development of this great waterway; and

WHEREAS, this project has been under scrutiny and analysis by Boards composed of the members of the Corps of the United States Army Engineers, Economic Investigators of the Department of Commerce, the International Joint Commission, the United States St. Lawrence Commission and many other groups over a long period of years and has had the approval of four Presidents of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the International Joint Commission found that without considering the probability of new traffic created by the opening of the water route to the seaboard, there existed between the region economically tributary to the Great Lakes and oversea points, as well as between the same region and the Atlantic and Pacific seaboards, a volume of outbound and inbound trade that might reasonably be expected to seek this route sufficient to justify the expense involved in its improvement; and

WHEREAS, the United States Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Commission found the construction of this shipway from the Great Lakes to the sea to be imperative both for the relief and for the development of a vast area in the interior of the continent; and

WHEREAS, the building of this seaway, by affording easy and cheap communication to and from the interior of the continent, would be the greatest farm relief measure ever passed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives and the Senate concurring, that the State of Minnesota memorialize the President of the United States to resubmit the Treaty with Canada for the development of the St. Lawrence River, and the Senate of the United States, now in session, to promptly ratify said Treaty when submitted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Governor of this state is hereby requested to forthwith transmit to the Senate of the United States a properly authenticated copy of this Joint Resolution of the House of Representatives and the Senate of the State of Minnesota.

Approved February 24, 1937.