

aircraft would be an effective method of accelerating fleet modernization and reducing airport noise, so dramatically advancing the introduction of Stage 3 aircraft as to effect a reduction in severely affected land area in 1995 from 80 percent of 1985 levels to 30 percent of 1985 levels, and an even greater reduction in the number of severely affected people; and

WHEREAS, an operating ban on louder Stage 2 aircraft is proposed and under active consideration in most western nations, including the European Economic Community, with the result that, as other governments and regions of the world limit the use of Stage 2 aircraft and smaller United States carriers purchase outmoded aircraft dumped from abroad, the flow of loud, used aircraft into the United States fleet is projected to increase; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that Congress should speedily enact and the President and the Federal Aviation Administration speedily implement legislation that prohibits the addition of any Stage 2 aircraft into the United States fleet after January 1, 1989, and prohibits any Stage 2 aircraft from operating in or to the United States after January 1, 1995.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of State of Minnesota shall transmit enrolled copies of this memorial to the President of the United States, the President and the Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and the Clerk of the United States House of Representatives and to Minnesota's Senators and Representatives in Congress.

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#### RESOLUTION 14—S.F.No. 2376

*A resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to reinstate diesel fuel tax exemptions for farmers and other off-road users.*

WHEREAS, the United States Congress in Section 10502 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1987 changed the point of collection of federal diesel fuel excise taxes of 15.1 cents per gallon from the retail level to the wholesale level as of April 1, 1988; and

WHEREAS, this change in the federal excise tax law will then require farmers and other off-road diesel fuel users to pay the diesel fuel tax at the time of purchase and then to file with the United States Internal Revenue Service for a refund on a quarterly or annual basis; and

WHEREAS, the up-front payment of these taxes by farmers and other off-road diesel fuel users will increase the farmer's annual cost of production, will further inhibit the farmer's cash flow by requiring the need to borrow additional funds for operating expenses, and will have similar effects on other off-road users of diesel fuel; and

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WHEREAS, the requirement to apply for refunds will require more time of each farmer and other off-road users of diesel fuel and shift the paperwork burden from the government to the farmer and other off-road users of diesel fuel; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that it urges the United States Congress to reverse its action on this change in the collection of the federal diesel fuel excise tax to reinstate the same tax exemptions for farmers and other off-road users as previously existed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota is directed to prepare certified copies of this memorial and present them to the President and Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, and to Minnesota's Senators and Representatives in Congress.

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#### RESOLUTION 15—S.F.No. 2525

*A resolution memorializing the President and Congress of the United States to enact a program of national health insurance.*

WHEREAS, next to life itself, each person's personal health is their most serious need; and

WHEREAS, the continued and increasing high cost of health care and health insurance puts health care beyond the reach of many Americans; and

WHEREAS, recent statistics have shown that many Americans are, in fact, doing without health insurance; and

WHEREAS, after many years of trying to reduce health care costs it is plain that they will never be reduced to a level where all Americans can afford health care or even health care insurance; and

WHEREAS, these problems can only be cured by providing health care insurance on a national basis to all Americans; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that the Congress of the United States is urged to speedily enact, and the President of the United States approve, legislation providing for national health insurance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota is directed to prepare certified copies of this resolution and to transmit them to the President of the United States, the President and Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the United States

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