

those actually committing the outrages upon the whites ; therefore

*Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Minnesota:*

That the secretary of the interior be, and he hereby is respectfully and urgently requested to give such instructions as will cause all Indians not authorized by said treaty of one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, who remain on said Lake Traverse reservation, to be removed therefrom to their proper reservation, and to prevent all Indians other than those authorized by said treaty to locate on said Lake Traverse reservation from being harbored or permitted to remain on said reservation in the future.

Relative to Sioux  
Indians.

*Resolved,* That the senators and representatives in congress from the state of Minnesota, be and they hereby are requested to exert their influence with the proper officers of the interior department to secure the issue of the necessary instructions to secure the object above set forth.

*Resolved,* That a copy of these resolutions and preamble be forwarded by the secretary of state to the secretary of the interior of the United States, and to each of the senators and representatives in congress from this state.

Approved March 1, 1870.

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## NUMBER VI.

*Joint Resolution relative to the extinction of the Indian Title to the lands adjoining the Bois des Sioux and Red Rivers.*

March 7, 1870.

*Whereas,* The completion of the main line of the Saint Paul and Pacific Railroad to the Bois des Sioux River in June next will cause the extension of the settlements to the country west of that river, and along the fertile valleys of

the Red, the Rice, the Cheyenne, and other streams, which settlement is necessary to the business interests of the said railroad ;

Preamble.

*And whereas*, The Northern Pacific Railroad is being located, and will, at an early day, be completed to the Northern Red River, which will further tend to the extension of settlements west of that river ;

*And whereas*, The lands lying between the Bois des Sioux and the Goose rivers west of the Red River, and extending to the James or Dakota River, are Indian lands and under the existing laws closed against settlement by the whites ;

*And whereas*, Although the settlement of those lands by the whites previous to the extinction of the Indian title will endanger the peace of the frontier settlements of Minnesota by creating trouble between the settlers on the Indian lands and the Indians claiming them, the white settlements will spread over the country regardless of consequences, owing to the desirable character of the country, and the business resulting from two railroads reaching it, and one of which will probably soon be in process of construction through this tract ; therefore,

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Minnesota:*

Relative to extinction of Indian title to certain lands.

That the senators and representatives in congress from this state, be and they are hereby requested to urge upon the proper authorities of the government of the United States the necessity for the speedy extinction of the Indian title to the lands west of the Bois des Sioux and Northern Red Rivers, and east of the James or Dakota River.

*Resolved*, That the governor is requested to forward a copy of these resolutions to each of the members of congress from this state, to the commissioner of Indian affairs and to the secretary of the interior at Washington.

Approved March 7, 1870.