

## H. F. No. 45.

*Joint memorial asking the Congress of the United States to appropriate a sufficient sum of money to construct a canal in the county of Aitkin, state of Minnesota, at the point hereinafter designated, for the purpose of relieving a large body of land, located in said county, from periodical overflow.*

WHEREAS, there exists in the county of Aitkin, in the state of Minnesota, upwards of one hundred thousand acres of the most fertile land in the Mississippi valley, which is subject to periodical overflow, caused by floods on the Mississippi river, at which times large bodies of cultivated land are flooded and crops, cattle and farm machinery are destroyed, and

WHEREAS, said Mississippi river at said point is under the jurisdiction of the United States, and the United States has constructed reservoirs above and below said point, designed for the purpose of controlling said floods, and

WHEREAS, it is our belief that the construction of the canal hereinafter referred to would be an aid to said reservoir system as well as reclaiming said lands,

*Now therefore, be it Resolved* by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, in session assembled, that the Congress of the United States be, and it is hereby requested to appropriate a suitable sum of money to construct a canal in the county of Aitkin, in the state of Minnesota, from a point on the Mississippi river in section 10, township 48, range 26 west of the 4th principal meridian, to a point on the Mississippi river in section 13, township 136, north of range 25 west of the 5th principal meridian, as shown on the annexed plat and marked "Proposed Route No. 3."

*Resolved*, that our Senators and Representatives in Congress are requested to urge this measure upon the attention of the Congress of the United States.

*Resolved*, that the Secretary of State is hereby instructed to forward copies of these resolutions to the Vice President of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Approved February 1, 1907.