

WHEREAS, Thereafter and on the 3rd day of February, 1911, the senate did duly concur in said resolution, and thereafter said committee was duly appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate; and

WHEREAS, The legislature of Wisconsin has heretofore failed to appoint a similar committee of the legislature of the State of Wisconsin to confer with the committee of the legislature of the State of Minnesota, so appointed; now, therefore,

*Be it Resolved*, By the house of representatives, the senate concurring, that the period of service of said committee of the legislature of the State of Minnesota, so appointed, be and it is hereby extended until the session of the legislature of the State of Minnesota, next ensuing after the present session thereof and that during said period of extended service said committee be and it is hereby vested with all the powers, duties and privileges originally conferred upon it and that it make its report and recommendations to such next ensuing session of the legislature.

Feb. 6, 1911.

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JOINT RESOLUTION No. 6.

*A concurrent resolution memorializing congress to petition the President of the United States for entering into negotiations with all the civilized nations of the world for the organization and establishment of a permanent court of international arbitration.*

WHEREAS, During the last twelve years there have been held international peace conferences which have enacted and adopted treaties of peace among the civilized nations of the world, but which treaties have had the proviso that "the question submitted should not involve the vital interests, the independence or the honor of the contracting parties;" and

WHEREAS, Notwithstanding this consensus of opinion, there is now being appropriated and invested annually by the six leading civilized nations of the world \$1,335,000,000.00 in the construction, equipment and armament of war and that this great wealth could be turned into channels of usefulness, commerce and industry for the conservation, security and preservation of mankind; and

WHEREAS, A patriotic American citizen has transferred to a board of trustees \$10,000,000.00 the revenue of which will be used to hasten the abolition of international war and to establish a lasting world peace because war between nations is the

foulest blot upon modern civilization and is no more justifiable than personal combat between individuals; now, therefore,

*Be it Resolved*, By the senate, the house of representatives concurring, that the President of the United States be and is hereby petitioned to invite negotiations with all the governments with which the United States has or may have diplomatic relations to the end that all differences and disputes arising between any of these governments which cannot be adjusted by diplomatic agencies shall be referred to a permanent court of arbitration and be adjusted by such means. Questions to be submitted for such arbitration shall include those which involve "the vital interests, the independence or the honor of the contracting parties." And,

*Be it further Resolved*, That the senators and representatives of congress for the State of Minnesota are hereby instructed to urge the adoption by congress of a resolution, similar in purport and effect with the one hereinbefore set forth; and

*Be it further Resolved*, That a copy of this memorial be sent to the senate and house of representatives of the United States in congress assembled, and to each of the senators and representatives of congress for this state by the secretary of state.

Approved February 6, 1911.

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#### JOINT RESOLUTION No. 7.

*A joint resolution of the legislature of the State of Minnesota, providing for the appointment of a committee of the senate and house of representatives to investigate certain irregularities in the conduct and administration of the affairs of the State Agricultural Society and to report their conclusions to the legislature.*

WHEREAS, A report of an auditing committee to investigate the affairs of the State Agricultural Society has been submitted to the senate and house of representatives by the governor; and

WHEREAS, Said report shows certain irregularities to have existed in the conduct of the affairs of such society; and

WHEREAS, Said irregularities and other charges of a serious character have been taken up by the press of the state and spread broadcast; and

WHEREAS, There has been much criticism of the method of the organization and conduct of the business of the said State Agricultural Society, and there is a demand for legislation put-