

## JOINT RESOLUTION No. 5.

*Concurrent resolution, relating to the prevention of floods in the Mississippi River Valley.*

WHEREAS, The frequent floods of the Mississippi river, caused by waters from thirty-one states, embracing more than 41 per cent of the total area of the United States, result in great loss of human lives in portions of the State of Illinois, Tennessee, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, Arkansas and Louisiana, and large money losses, not only in such afflicted territory but in other portions of the nation, and

WHEREAS, It has been declared by every member of the engineer corps of the United States Army who has dealt with such floods, by the Mississippi River Commission and by other commissions appointed by congress that such floods can be prevented at a reasonable cost, and

WHEREAS, The work of such flood prevention has been going on for many years in the least economical way and over two-thirds of its cost has been borne by the damaged sections, who can no longer cope with this gigantic problem without effective aid from the national government, and

WHEREAS, All political parties have declared in their campaign platforms that flood control of the Mississippi river is a national duty, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the senate of the State of Minnesota, the house of representatives concurring, that the congress of the United States be and is hereby requested to fulfill this national duty at its next session and to enact such legislation as shall provide a separate and comprehensive plan for the prevention of such floods without delay.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be sent to the speaker of the house of representatives and to the senate of the congress of the United States.

## STATE OF MINNESOTA,

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

I, Julius A. Schmahl, Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that the foregoing Session Laws, proposed amendments to the constitution of Minnesota, and joint resolutions, passed and adopted by the legislature of 1915, have been compared with the enrolled copies deposited in the office of the secretary of state, and they are true and correct copies of said enrolled laws, proposed amendments and joint resolutions.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the state at the capitol, in St. Paul, this 7th day of May, A. D. 1915.

[Seal.]

JULIUS A. SCHMAHL,  
*Secretary of State.*