

the Sanitary District of Chicago to restrain the taking of water from the Great Lakes by the Sanitary District of Chicago and such action has been begun and is still pending, no proceedings therein having been had awaiting the final decision in the case just decided;

WHEREAS, the present illegal abstraction of water from the Great Lakes now, and for many years past, has reached the enormous amount of upwards of ten thousand cubic feet per second and has seriously lowered the levels of the Great Lakes and the St. Clair, Detroit, Niagara and St. Lawrence rivers, and has greatly restricted and interfered with navigation thereon;

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes constitute the greatest waterway in the world, carrying at the present time a tonnage equal to one-fourth of all the railroad tonnage of the United States at a cost of less than one-fifth that of railroad freight rates, and the diversion by the Sanitary District of Chicago has already increased lake freight rates by not less than three million dollars annually and has damaged lake harbors and other works fully twelve million dollars;

THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Minnesota, the House of Representatives concurring, that the State of Minnesota hereby respectfully protests to the Congress of the United States and to the Secretary of War, against any action by either, recognizing or continuing any permit to the Sanitary District of Chicago, to divert water from the Great Lakes through the Chicago Drainage Canal for any purpose other than the protection and improvement of navigation.

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution, properly attested, by the proper officers of both houses, be sent to the President of the United States, the Secretary of War, the presiding officers of the Senate and the House of Representatives, and to each United States senator and member of Congress from the State of Minnesota.

Approved February 4, 1925.

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#### RESOLUTION No. 8—S. F. No. 635.

*A concurrent resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to create an additional Federal District Judgeship, and providing for filling the vacancy therein caused by the death of Federal Judge John F. McGee.*

WHEREAS, by the death of Federal Judge John F. McGee, the State of Minnesota is left with only two Federal Judges to handle the heavy and ever increasing business of that court; and

WHEREAS, the Act of Congress under which Judge John F. McGee was appointed as a United States District Judge for the District of Minnesota does not permit of the appointment of a successor without further action by the Congress; and

WHEREAS, three Federal Judges working overtime were unable to adequately dispose of the accumulation of business in the Federal Courts in Minnesota, and unless action is taken by the Congress authorizing the appointment of an additional Federal Judge for the State of Minnesota to fill said vacancy, before the adjournment of this Congress, the administration of justice in the Federal Courts of the State of Minnesota will be delayed and hampered to the great detriment of the public interest and of the interests of those whose causes are there pending;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Minnesota, the House of Representatives concurring, that we hereby call the attention of the Congress of the United States to the conditions heretofore referred to and respectfully but urgently request that such action be promptly taken by the Congress before its adjournment, so that a third Federal District Judge may be appointed to the end that the public and private business pending and accumulating in said court may receive a measure of that prompt attention to which public and private interests are entitled.

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RESOLUTION No. 9—H. F. No. 705.

*A resolution pertaining to the promulgation of federal grain grades.*

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the members of the Minnesota House of Representatives and Senate, through the public press, that the United States Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Economics, is holding or about to hold, hearings in different parts of this country, for the purpose of promulgating, changing, revising, or amending the grades now established on Oats, and

WHEREAS, this proposed change, promulgation, revision, or amendment, will have the ultimate result of increasing the already burdensome multiplicity of grades, which have been of no value to the producers of grain, and rather have been a detriment, because the local elevator operators cannot apply the technical rules laid down in such grade specifications, and,

WHEREAS, it is the sense of the members of the House and Senate of the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, here assembled, that anything which will have for its result increasing the troubles of the producer of grain must, in its natural course, work a hardship and tend to the lessening of the value of such produce,

THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that we object to the proposed promulgations, changes, revisions, or amendments, and to that end it is the sense of this Legislature that Hon. O. P. B. Jacobson, Chairman of the Rail-