RESOLUTION No. 7 (S. F. No. 345)

Joint resolution memorializing Congress to use granite and natural stone in the construction of public buildings.

WHEREAS, the federal government is contemplating an extensive public works program, under which many public buildings will be erected throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, the present status of unemployment in the granite and stone industries in the State of Minnesota and other granite and stone producing states is deplorable, it being estimated that from eighty to eighty-five per cent of granite and stone employees are on federal relief; and

WHEREAS, the greater portion of the cost of finished granite and stone is incurred by labor; and

WHEREAS, the quality and durability of granite and stone buildings unquestionably excels that of buildings constructed of inferior materials; and

WHEREAS, from the standpoint of economy and prudent policy it is advisable that lasting and durable materials be used in the construction of public buildings:

Now, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Minnesota, the House of Representatives concurring, that Congress be respectfully urged and petitioned to enact legislation, or to otherwise take appropriate action to require that granite and natural stone be used in the construction of public buildings to be erected under the public works program; and that the Secretary of State be instructed to send copies of this Resolution to the President, Vice-president, Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, and to the members of Congress from the State of Minnesota.

Approved February 5, 1935.

RESOLUTION No. 8 (H. F. No. 50)

Memorializing Congress to discontinue the levy of a tax on gasoline.

WHEREAS, the question of State finance is becoming increasingly difficult, and

WHEREAS, State incomes are derived primarily from direct taxes on real and personal property, and