OF MINNESOTA FOR 1935

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

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WHEREAS, the Federal Government from its inception has delegated to itself the control of such sources of taxation as the tariff, excise and income taxes, practically to the exclusion of the States, and

WHEREAS, the States lacking such taxing powers, inaugurated the policy of taxing gasoline as a partial solution of its taxation problem:

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring that we respectfully petition the Congress of the United States to recede from its policy of a national tax on gasoline, so that the State may avail itself of this additional source of income to be levied by it for such purposes as its Constitution or laws may direct.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be transmitted by the Secretary of State to the Congress of the United States and to the Minnesota delegates in Congress.

Approved February 8, 1935.

RESOLUTION No. 9 (S. F. No. 378)

Memorializing the President of the United States of America to proclaim October 11th of each year as "General Pulaski's Memorial Day" for the observance and commemoration of the death of Brigadier General Casimir Pulaski.

WHEREAS, The 11th day of October, 1779, is the date in American history of the heroic death of Brigadier General Casimir Pulaski, who died from wounds received on October 9th, 1779, at the siege of Savannah, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, The States of Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Nevada, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and other States of the Union, through legislative enactment designated October 11th of each year as "General Pulaski's Memorial Day"; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the recurring anniversary of this day be commemorated with suitable patriotic and public exercises in observing and commemorating the heroic death of this great American hero of the Revolutionary War; and

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