

RESOLUTION No. 3—S. F. No. 297.

Joint resolution memorializing Congress to enact legislation to provide for the continuation of the WPA program until January 1, 1937 on a liberalized basis which will permit the employment of those needy unemployed who are no longer able to support themselves and their dependents without first requiring them to accept public relief in addition to those who are certified from the public relief rolls.

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Minnesota convened in special session has been requested to make additional appropriations for the care of the unemployed which appropriations are necessary because of the inability of the local communities in the state to finance the relief bill without outside assistance, and

WHEREAS, statistics have been presented to the Legislature by the representatives of the State Emergency Relief Administration and the Works Progress Administration of Minnesota indicating that there are approximately 85,000 persons certified as eligible for employment under the present rules and regulations of the Works Progress Administration while the Works Progress Administration of Minnesota is authorized to employ a maximum of 65,000 which leaves a residue of 20,000 employable relief cases which must be supported by the State of Minnesota and its political subdivision, and

WHEREAS, there is a minimum of an additional 10,000 employable relief clients who are not eligible for employment under the present rules and regulations of the Works Progress Administration which limits employment to those persons who received public relief at some time between May 1st and November 1, 1935, and

WHEREAS, there were as of January 1, 1936, a total of 71,444 unemployed persons exclusive of those receiving public relief registered as seeking employment in the offices of the National Reemployment Service and the State of Minnesota which individuals are all potential relief clients unless they are provided with either public or private employment, and

WHEREAS, the Works Progress Administration of the State of Minnesota has received Presidential approval of 4,443 projects involving a total amount of federal funds of \$102,190,572.00 of which only approximately \$20,000,000.00 has been made available to the Works Progress Administration of Minnesota;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the State of Minnesota, the Senate concurring, that we most earnestly request the Congress of the United States to provide for the continuation of the WPA program at least until January 1, 1937 by appropriating additional funds, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the present regulations of the Works Progress Administration be amended to permit not only the employment of those certified from the public relief rolls, but also for the needy unemployed who, unless they are given employment, will soon be forced to make application for public relief, and that sufficient additional funds be appropriated to provide employment for this group.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the State of Minnesota be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to both Houses of Congress and to each Member in Congress from the State of Minnesota.

Approved January 27, 1936.

RESOLUTION No. 4—H. F. No. 262.

Memorializing the United States Senate to ratify at the instant session of Congress the treaty between the United States of America and the Dominion of Canada for the building of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Seaway.

WHEREAS, There is pending before the United States Senate a treaty between the United States of America and the Dominion of Canada for the building of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Seaway; and,

WHEREAS, This project has been under scrutiny and analysis by boards composed of the members of the Corps of United States Army Engineers, Economic Investigators of the Department of Commerce, the International Joint Commission, the United States St. Lawrence Commission and many other groups over a long period of years and has had the approval of four Presidents of the United States, of 46 senators of the United States and of both the Democratic and Republican parties in convention assembled; and,

WHEREAS, The International Joint Commission found that