

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.

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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

without considering the probability of new traffic created by the opening of the water route to the seaboard, there existed between the region economically tributary to the Great Lakes and oversea points, as well as between the same region and the Atlantic and Pacific seabards, a volume of out bound and in bound trade that might reasonably be expected to seek this route sufficient to justify the expense involved in its improvement; and,

WHEREAS, The United States Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Commission found the construction of this shipway from the Great Lakes to the sea to be imperative both for the relief and for the development of a vast area in the interior of the continent; and,

WHEREAS, The building of this seaway by affording easy and cheap communication to and from the interior of the continent would be the greatest farm relief measure ever passed; and,

WHEREAS, No project now before the country in the Public Works or any other program for work relief begins to have the economic justification this project has and none will do so much to break the back of the depression as the money spent on this project would be for durable goods and labor; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, By the House of Representatives of the State of Minnesota and the Senate of the State of Minnesota concurring, that the State of Minnesota memorialize the Senate of the United States now in session and by the adoption of this resolution, the State of Minnesota does memorialize the Senate of the United States to ratify at the present session of the Congress of the United States the treaty between the United States of America and the Dominion of Canada providing for the building in accordance with the terms of said treaty a deep waterway channel connecting the Great Lakes with tidewater; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Governor of this State is hereby requested to forthwith transmit to the Senate of the United States a properly authenticated copy of this Joint Resolution of the House of Representatives and the Senate of the State of Minnesota.

Approved January 27, 1936.