

RESOLUTION No. 10 (S. F. No. 177)

A concurrent resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States and the Secretary of Agriculture on the need to establish a more stable program of subsidies to farmers for development and maintenance of farm woodlands and shelterbelts.

WHEREAS, the farm woodlands make up more than five million acres of the nineteen million acres of forest land in the State of Minnesota, and

WHEREAS, forests are a soil building and soil conserving crop, and

WHEREAS, the practice of good conservation on these lands can be encouraged by special inducements such as those given under the Agricultural Conservation Program, and

WHEREAS, this program now includes benefits for maintaining land in pasture and orchards;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the State of Minnesota, the House of Representatives concurring, that the Agricultural Conservation Program should also include a stable and comprehensive program of benefits for forestry practices on farm woodlands, including the protection of such woodlands from grazing, fire and destructive logging; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that additional technical forestry aid, as authorized by the Norris-Doxey Farm Forestry Act, should be provided to instruct the farmers and woodland owners in this phase of the Agricultural Conservation Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State be instructed to send copies of this resolution to the President of the Senate of the United States, and to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States, and to the Secretary of Agriculture, Honorable Henry A. Wallace, and to each of the senators and representatives of the State of Minnesota in the Congress of the United States.

Approved March 7, 1939.