

tives from the State of Minnesota to the Congress of the United States.

Approved March 9, 1939.

RESOLUTION No. 13 (S. F. No. 303)

A joint resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to repay certain funds exacted from the citizens of the State of Minnesota under the Agricultural Adjustment Act.

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States, in session assembled in the year 1933, passed an act known as the Agricultural Adjustment Act, by which Act the citizens of the State of Minnesota, as well as of other states, were required to and did contribute money on certain products raised by them for the purposes of the said Agricultural Adjustment Act, and

WHEREAS, during the time that the said Act was in force and effect, there was paid into the Internal Revenue Department of the State of Minnesota by the citizens of said state, the sum of \$56,320,154.32, including a levy on wheat of \$45,-803,652.29, on hogs of \$9,378,758.61 and on field corn of \$30,-653.89, making the total sum of \$55,213,064.79, and various other sums on several other items, totaling in all \$56,320,154.-32, and

WHEREAS, these sums above mentioned were exacted from the tillers of the soil of the State of Minnesota, and

WHEREAS, although said Act was declared unconstitutional and invalid by the Supreme Court of the United States, no refundment whatsoever has been made or provided for to reimburse the citizens of the State of Minnesota and there being no means by which the amounts contributed by the various citizens of the state affected by the Act in question can be ascertained, and

WHEREAS, all of the citizens of the State of Minnesota will be substantially repaid if provision be made by the Congress of the United States to return to the Treasury of the State of Minnesota the sums of money so exacted from the citizens of the State of Minnesota as hereinbefore set forth, and

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota has, under the Federal Income Tax Laws of the United States, contributed to the Federal Government the sum of \$500,000,000.00, a sum far larger

than the appropriations of the State of Minnesota for State Government operation since the Income Tax Law went into effect, to-wit, since 1915, and,

WHEREAS, the citizens of the state have, in the final analysis, borne the burden, not only of the income taxes imposed by law, but did further bear the burden of paying the taxes and moneys exacted from them under the provisions of the said Agricultural Adjustment Act,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the State of Minnesota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the Congress of the United States appropriate the sum of at least \$25,000,000.00 from the huge sums exacted from the citizens of the State of Minnesota under the said invalid Act, the Agricultural Adjustment Act, and repay to the people of the State of Minnesota at least said sum of \$25,000,000.00 by turning over said amount to the State Treasury of the State of Minnesota and in this manner, either directly or indirectly, benefit the citizens of the State of Minnesota, as it is right and proper that they should be benefited on account of the payments made by them as hereinbefore explained, payments that they were forced to make under an Act of the Congress of the United States which the Supreme Court of the United States later declared to be unconstitutional.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the State of Minnesota memorialize the Congress of the United States to make such provision for repayment of said sum to the citizens of the State of Minnesota, the appropriation so provided for by the Congress of the United States, to be used in relieving the financial distress of the State of Minnesota.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this petition be sent to the Honorable Nance W. Garner, President of the United States Senate and to the Honorable William Bankhead, Speaker of the House of Representatives and to the Honorable Henrik Shipstead and to the Honorable Ernest Lundeen, United States Senators from the State of Minnesota, and to all of the Congressmen representing the State of Minnesota in Congress.

Approved March 24, 1939.

RESOLUTION No. 14 (S. F. No. 1160)

A joint resolution memorializing Governor Harold E. Stas-