

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the State be instructed to transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the United States and to each member of Congress from the State of Minnesota.

Approved March 7, 1955.

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RESOLUTION NO. 4—S. F. No. 489

*A joint resolution memorializing the President, the United States Public Health Service and the Congress of the United States to further develop requirement for interstate transportation of dairy products and to eliminate artificial trade barriers.*

WHEREAS, Minnesota is in that section of the nation which comprises the greatest interstate dairy products export area and which excels in the quality of its dairy products, and

WHEREAS, the movement of dairy products in interstate commerce is restricted by locally established artificial trade barriers, some in the form of restrictive devices on sales, others in the guise of quality and sanitation standards which vary from one local jurisdiction to another to favor local producers and discriminate against imported products, and

WHEREAS, state and local jurisdictions refuses to provide inspections outside of certain limited zones and refuses to accept the inspections of any other states or local jurisdictions, and

WHEREAS, the issuance of retail and wholesale distributor permits is restricted to those processors or distributors who have plants located within a given geographical area, and

WHEREAS, large producing areas such as Minnesota are forced to subject themselves to prohibitive multiplicity of inspections in attempting to comply with the requirements of the various interstate trade markets, and

WHEREAS, the United States Public Health Service has developed a model milk sanitation ordinance which has been adopted, together with its interpretative code, by many municipalities and counties and by some states, and

WHEREAS, in order to avoid duplicate inspections the Public Health Service has a plan of surveying and rating the continuous inspection service rendered by local control officials, and

WHEREAS, it seems unreasonable for a market to impose its own inspection service upon suppliers when they can be assured of the adequacy of inspection at the source by obtaining a rating of such inspection by the United States Public Health Service, and

WHEREAS, the nation's reciprocal recognition of substantially equivalent inspection standards in the dairy industry would contribute to the health and welfare by facilitating the interstate movement of dairy products and by encouraging increased consumption of dairy products at an equitable price based on fair competition, and

WHEREAS, restrictions of trade in interstate commerce effects a contravention of Section 8 of Article I of the Constitution of the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, that the President and the Congress of the United States be requested to do all in their power to further extend and develop the use of the United States Public Health Service Milk Sanitation Code and to insure the unrestricted interstate movement of dairy products whose quality conforms to the standard of that code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we request Congress to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1937 to provide that prices of all milk sold under provisions of federal market orders must be related to the general level of manufacturing milk prices; and to provide that prices of Class 1 milk shall be revised downward when production in the milk shed embraced within each federal order shall be in excess of 115% of Class 1 requirements in the low season of production; and to provide further for the elimination from such orders of all provisions designed to discourage, or which have the effect of burdening and obstructing shipments of milk or cream from any production area in the United States to any marketing area regulated by a federal milk order.

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RESOLUTION No. 5—S. F. No. 368

*A concurrent resolution of the Senate and House of the State of Minnesota creating a committee of members of each body and authorizing the chief executive to appoint one member from the executive branch of the government to aid in continuing and expanding federal participation in the serv-*