

areas, at their accelerated progress, resulting from a shift of population and industry to the Northwestern states, and increasing industrial expansion in all areas, demand a revision of the transportation needs, and

WHEREAS, this request that the designation of United States Highway Two (2) be placed on the National System of Interstate Highways is made without prejudice to existing Interstate Highways in the state of Minnesota and in the other states served by United States Highway Two (2),

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, in regular session assembled, the Senate and House of Representatives concurring, do, most earnestly and respectfully, request that the Congress of the United States recognize the strategic importance of United States Highway Two (2), and through the proper federal agencies take immediate action to have United States Highway Two (2) designated an integral part of the National system of Defense highways, and that it be placed on the National System of Interstate Highways.

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

Approved April 19, 1955.

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RESOLUTION No. 8—S. F. No. 1563

*A concurrent resolution memorializing Congress to cause to be issued coins commemorating the Centennial of the admission of the State of Minnesota into the Union.*

WHEREAS, by act of Congress Minnesota was admitted to the Union May 11, 1858; and

WHEREAS, plans are being made for a state wide celebration of this Centennial in the year 1958; and

WHEREAS, Congress has many times previously authorized the issuance by the United States Treasury of commemorative coins for other states.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, that the Congress be requested to enact such legislation as may be necessary to

authorize and direct the United States Treasury to issue one hundred fifty thousand commemorative half dollar coins, of appropriate design, dated 1958, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said coins be delivered to the Minnesota Statehood Centennial Commission upon payment therefor and that said Commission be, and it hereby is, authorized to sell and distribute such coins.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be sent to the members of Congress from the State of Minnesota.

Approved April 23, 1955.

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