RESOLUTIONS, DULY ENROLLED AND ON FILE RESOLUTION No. 1—H. F. No. 381

Memorializing the President of the United States, the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of the Army to reconsider a recently announced policy requiring six months of active duty training of members of the National Guard, to the end that more realistic and workable requirements, agreeable to the State, be prescribed.

WHEREAS, the Minnesota National Guard, in Minnesota's one hundred years of statehood, has a distinguished record of service to the state and nation in war and peace and its continued existence in strength and effectiveness, and, its status as both a federal and state force is vital to the state and the nation, and,

WHEREAS, the qualifications for membership therein is, under the United States Constitution, the exclusive responsibility of the state, and,

WHEREAS, no changes in the qualifications of National Guard membership should be effected by the federal government without the consent of the state, and,

WHEREAS, a directive has recently been issued by the departments of defense and the secretary of the army, establishing a policy, to become effective April 1, 1957, which will require all non-prior service enlistees in the National Guard to perform six months of active military training as a condition of enlistment, and,

WHEREAS, the purported intent of this change in policy is to improve the training and the combat readiness of the National Guard, which is an objective the State and the military authorities thereof are constantly striving to achieve, and,

WHEREAS, it is believed a compulsory six months active training program for all members of the National Guard will not gain the desired objectives as to training and readiness for the reasons that such a program is difficult to reconcile in the educational and employment planning of our young men and will so greatly reduce the rate of enlistments as to make it impossible for the National Guard to fulfill its responsibilities to the state and national and under such a program there is serious question that it can long survive, and,

WHEREAS, it would appear that there should be a common ground for the establishment of a practical and workable solution to the enlistment and requirements of the Na-

tional Guard which will be acceptable to both the state and the federal government;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that the President of the United States, the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of the Army, reconsider the action which has been taken in prescribing a compulsory six months training program for all non-prior service members of the National Guard and in collaboration with the governor and the adjutant general of Minnesota, and those of other states, establish realistic and workable policies relative to the enlistment and training of the National Guard, which will assure it continued maintenance of strength and effectiveness in the state and nation's plan of National Defense.

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

Approved February 11, 1957.

RESOLUTION No. 2-H. F. No. 472

Memorializing the President of the United States and the Congress of the United States to make such steps as may be necessary to secure a removal of all military facilities and activities from Minneapolis-Saint Paul International Airport Wold-Camberlain Field, located in Hennepin County, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, the Minneapolis-Saint Paul Metropolitan Airports Commission is a public corporation created, organized and operating under the laws of the State of Minnesota, Minnesota Statutes 1953, Sections 360.101-360.125;

WHEREAS, such Commission acting under and as required by the Act creating it did on August 14, 1944, take possession of Minneapolis-Saint Paul International Airport—Wold-Chamberlain Field and did on that date take over the operation, management, maintenance and development of such field, and has at all times since and is now in possession of such field and operating, managing, maintaining and developing the same;

WHEREAS, such field was established as a civil airport