

ture, and the Congress of the United States be requested to enact a minimum corn soil bank program establishing:

1. a minimum corn acreage base in the commercial area of 51 million acres,
2. a support price on corn of \$1.36, for 1957, and
3. a production requirement that each producer put 15 percent of his corn acreage allotment in the acreage reserve or the conservation reserve of the soil bank as a condition of eligibility for price supports.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the members of the Minnesota Congressional delegation be commended who voted for the above minimum corn soil bank program.

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

Approved April 12, 1957.

RESOLUTION No. 11—H. F. No. 1800

A concurrent resolution authorizing the governor to designate Youth Honor Day.

WHEREAS, the vast majority of the youth of this State are law abiding citizens who have displayed high standards of character, integrity and patriotism and have distinguished themselves in their readiness to defend and uphold the principles upon which this Nation is founded, and

WHEREAS, despite these high achievements, a small minority of juveniles, who have been derelict and delinquent, caused undue public criticism on the youth as a whole to the degradation of those who are the least deserving of public criticism, and

WHEREAS, a fitting tribute should be paid to those youth who have been overlooked in matters of recognition because of the wrongs of a few that have overshadowed the more far reaching accomplishments of the many.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that the Governor be authorized and requested to issue a proclamation designating October 31 of each year as Youth Honor Day, inviting the

people of Minnesota to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies.

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RESOLUTION NO. 12—H. F. No. 835

A joint resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to repeal excise taxes levied on the transportation of persons and property by common and contract carriers.

WHEREAS, certain excise taxes imposed during World War II are still in effect, and

WHEREAS, the reason given for imposing said taxes was to discourage use by civilians of common and contract carriers of persons and property when an extraordinary demand was placed on transportation by the large increase in traffic due to World War II, and

WHEREAS, these taxes have caused, and continue to cause, substantial diversion of traffic to private carriers, thus causing higher rates to be charged especially on the transportation of property which places a heavy burden on the farmer, the small business man, and the small manufacturer because they do not have sufficient value to engage in the transportation of their own property and must depend on common and contract carriers for their transportation needs, and

WHEREAS, these excise taxes are discriminatory to Minnesota products as illustrated by the fact that a shipment of Minnesota products from Minneapolis, Minnesota, to Northfield, Minnesota, wherein the cost of transportation was \$10 would pay a tax of 30 cents and whereas the transportation of the same product to Chicago, Illinois, for example, might have a transportation charge of \$50 and the tax would be \$1.50, and

WHEREAS, the repeal of these excise taxes will result in a direct reduction in transportation costs and eliminate the tax discrimination against shippers who live a long distance from the market for commodities produced and sold, or supplies and equipment manufactured at distant locations, and

WHEREAS, the same discriminatory situation exists where persons use common carrier passenger service, and

WHEREAS, repeal of these excise taxes will not result in any substantial or effective diminution of tax revenue to the Federal Government since these taxes are now paid by shippers for a business purpose and are deductible as ordinary