RESOLUTION No. 4-S. F. No. 2108

A resolution memorializing the President, Congress and the Civil Aeronautics Board to provide for hearings for air routes between Minnesota and Europe.

WHEREAS, it has long been recognized that adequate air transport is essential to the economic progress and full development of the potential of this state; and

WHEREAS, there is a strong and growing community of interest between Minnesota and the friendly nations of Europe which will continue to expand because of the long existing business and cultural ties between the citizens of Minnesota and our friends in Europe; and

WHEREAS, there is no direct air service between any point in Minnesota and any point in Europe which results in substantial inconvenience to the traveling public and the expenditure of additional time and money in making intermediate connections at other cities in the United States; and

WHEREAS, air transport has developed to the point where it is economically and operationally feasible to provide direct air service between airports in Minnesota and airports in Europe; and

WHEREAS, in 1965 there were 24,768 travelers between the State of Minnesota and points across the Atlantic and an estimated 800 round the world travelers, who would all be benefited and convenienced by direct air service between Minnesota and Europe; and

WHEREAS, air cargo is increasing at a greater rate than air passengers, manufacturing firms headquartered in Minnesota have plants throughout Europe and require direct air cargo service as a necessity for economic growth, and direct air cargo service is essential for public convenience of Minnesota and Europe; and

WHEREAS, there is now a proceeding before the Civil Aeronautics Board to improve the air service between the Twin Cities of Minneapolis-St. Paul and points in the Orient but no such proceeding has been scheduled or is being heard with respect to any point in Minnesota and Europe; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that it is the sense of the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that the Civil Aeronautics Board should schedule and conduct hearings looking toward the establishment of direct air service between points in Minnesota and points in Europe, and, if necessary, that the United States Department of State should negotiate for the establishment of such service. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota be instructed to transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the President of the United States Senate, the Minnesota Senators and Representatives in Congress, and the several members of the Civil Aeronautics Board.

Approved May 1, 1967.

RESOLUTION No. 5-H. F. No. 1696

A resolution memorializing the President, Secretary of Agriculture and the Congress of the United States to curtail agricultural imports.

WHEREAS, agricultural prices have now declined to 74 percent of parity; and

WHEREAS, agricultural prices have declined in recent months at the alarming rate of seven percent; and

WHEREAS, the severe underpayment for agricultural production places in jeopardy all of rural America; and

WHEREAS, at this time the nation's dairy farmers are engaged in an all out effort dedicated to price improvement for dairy commodities; and

WHEREAS, capital inputs in today's economy are limited in agriculture and are not a complete substitute for the family farm and its family labor force; and

WHEREAS, present agricultural policies are crippling and destroying the efficiency of our food-making industry and stimulating the decay of rural communities; and

WHEREAS, this nation must have sufficient resources in agriculture—in people, machinery and other materials of production—to provide abundance for the American people and also to provide food and fibre for sharing with hungry people in other nations; and

WHEREAS, the present administration has failed to provide for equal justice in this essential area of the nation's economy; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Minne-