

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the chairman of the Committee on Public Works of the United States Senate, the chairman of the Committee on Public Works of the United States House of Representatives and the other Minnesota Representatives and Senators in Congress.

Approved February 23, 1973.

RESOLUTION 3—H.F.No.46

A resolution memorializing the President of the United States to restore the National Waterbank Program and the Rural Environment Assistance Program.

WHEREAS, the National Waterbank Program has provided farmers in Minnesota and across the nation the opportunity to preserve wetlands and wildlife habitat while retaining control of their land; and

WHEREAS, the Rural Environment Assistance Program has for many years allowed 3,000 to 4,000 Minnesota farmers to carry out conservation practices on set-aside acres; and

WHEREAS, these two federal programs have returned many times their original cost through soil fertility, preservation of water resources and retention of sanctuaries for important wildlife species; and

WHEREAS, through what seems to be a short sighted and unfortunate decision, the Nixon administration has cancelled the funding of both programs; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that the President consider the value of the Waterbank and REAP programs to rural America and restore these programs immediately and that Congress act to insure that these programs are restored and continued.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the State of Minnesota transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, the United States Office of Management

and Budget, and to the Minnesota Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Approved March 7, 1973.

RESOLUTION 4—H.F.No.34

A resolution urging Amtrak to restore St. Paul as a regular passenger stop.

WHEREAS, the city of St. Paul is a very large commercial and industrial center; and

WHEREAS, the city of St. Paul is the capitol of Minnesota and center of governmental administration; and

WHEREAS, the city of St. Paul is a crew change stop for the national passenger railway system; and

WHEREAS, the city of St. Paul has ample facilities for passenger exchange; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that Amtrak, the National Railroad Passenger Corporation, be urged to restore St. Paul as a regular railroad passenger stop.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State of Minnesota transmit copies of this resolution to the board of directors of the National Railroad Passenger Corporation, the United States Secretary of Transportation and the Minnesota Senators and Representatives in Congress.

RESOLUTION 5—H.F.No.479

A resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to propose a constitutional amendment affirming and protecting the value of human life.