WHEREAS, some industries have either left the State of Minnesota or threatened to leave the State of Minnesota to avoid compliance with these laws; and

WHEREAS, preservation and protection of the environment is a national problem; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has enacted laws such as the Clean Air Amendments of 1970 and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972 to provide uniform national standards for preservation and protection of the environment; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that the United States Congress act to insure enforcement of the laws described above and enact additional laws to reduce incentives to industries to move from states to avoid compliance with reasonable standards designed to preserve and protect the environment of the states.

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, and the Minnesota Senators and Representatives in Congress.

RESOLUTION 7—S.F.No.626

A resolution memorializing the President and Congress to restore 90 percent of parity price supports for agricultural commodities.

WHEREAS, the out-migration of people from the farm to the urban areas has created increased stress and strain on the urban population by overcrowding in our cities and metropolitan areas; and

WHEREAS, this emigration has resulted in severe social maladjustments in our rural areas by loss of schools, churches, professional services and a lowering of the quality of life in rural areas; and

WHEREAS, a large portion of the population which lives at poverty level, or below, is in our rural areas; and WHEREAS, the farmer has consistently, except for the period of 1910 to 1914, been receiving less than a fair return over the cost of production; and

WHEREAS, our national economy will not be in a healthy state unless we have a prosperous agriculture; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest to have a farm program which reacts not only to the benefit of the farmer in the rural areas but to the national economy as a whole; and

WHEREAS, parity for agriculture means equality with the rest of the economy; and

WHEREAS, farm income for the past twenty years has been less than three fourths of parity; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the State of Minnesota ask the President of the United States and the United States Congress to implement the existing law authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to provide 90 percent of parity price supports on basic agricultural commodities and the Congress of the United States to pass the necessary legislation to fully fund it.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded by the Secretary of State to the Congressional Delegation of this state, to the President of the United States, to the Chairmen of the Agriculture and Agriculture and Forestry Committees of the House and Senate of the Congress, to the Secretary of Agriculture, and to the major national farm organizations requesting their support for the enactment of this program.

RESOLUTION 8—H.F.No.803

A resolution memorializing Congress to further restrict deductions for "tax loss farming."

WHEREAS, the federal Tax Reform Act of 1969 recognized the serious problem of "tax loss farming" and the consequent distortions in the farm economy and unfair competitive effects; and

WHEREAS, "tax loss farming" continues to be a problem although an effective method to control it was begun by the federal Tax Reform Act of 1969; now, therefore,

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