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**RESOLUTION 2—S.F.No.3479**

*A resolution memorializing the President, the Congress and the State Department to refrain from negotiating or approving any treaty with Mexico which would, in effect, reestablish the bracero program.*

WHEREAS, the bracero program, effective during 1942 to 1964, which provided for the contracting of Mexican Nationals as temporary farm laborers in the United States, was nothing more than an easy source of cheap labor and brought with it dehumanizing living conditions for them as well as their exploitation; and

WHEREAS, the bracero program also established and maintained sub-standard wages, thus causing a detrimental effect also to be felt by countless American men, women and children whose family income depended on earning a decent agricultural wage; and

WHEREAS, Congress, upon full examination of this program, brought it to an end; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that the State Department of the United States should end negotiations with the Mexican government on reestablishing any form of the bracero program, and that no such program be promoted by the President or approved by Congress.

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 Secretary of State of the United States, the President of the Senate of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States, and the Speaker of the House shall appoint a member of the House and the Senate Committee on Committees shall appoint a member of the Senate to personally deliver the resolution to the Washington offices of the Minnesota Representatives and Senators in Congress.