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SESSION RESOLUTIONS

DULY ENROLLED AND DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE

RESOLUTION 2-H.F.No.1930

A resolution urging the President, Congress and Secretary of Transportation to provide necessary grants and loans to the Milwaukee Road.

WHEREAS, the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Pacific Railroad Company (Milwaukee Road) provides rail transportation service to many Minnesota counties and directly serves many Minnesota communities and population centers, including Minneapolis, St. Paul and Duluth; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee Road provides an essential transportation service that carries Minnesota agricultural and manufactured products on direct routes to western markets and eastern markets; and

WHEREAS, there are over 13,000 employees on the Milwaukee Road, over 1,600 which reside in Minnesota, whose employment will be adversely affected even to the point of furlough or termination, if the Milwaukee Road were to cease or suspend operation; and

WHEREAS, the existing and anticipated long range energy shortage requires that energy efficient means of hauling bulk goods for long distances be preserved and protected; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee Road's financial problems have been grievously aggravated by the intolerable delays of the Interstate Commerce Commission in dealing with merger requests of the Milwaukee Railroad and other railroad companies; and

WHEREAS, federal aid and regulatory responsiveness is essential for the Milwaukee Road to continue to provide transportation services and employment and pay taxes in Minnesota and elsewhere; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that the President of the United States, the Secretary of Transportation and the Congress act quickly in providing the necessary loans and grants to the Milwaukee Road.

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 Senate of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States, the Secretary of Transportation, and the Minnesota Representatives and Senators in Congress.

Approved March 16, 1978.

RESOLUTION 3-H.F.No.2177

A resolution relating to the war in Southeast Asia; expressing the concern of the Minnesota legislature for those MIAs and POWs that are unaccounted; urging action by the national leadership to end the heartache caused by the lack of information about these servicemen.

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, notes that five years has passed since the signing of the Paris Peace Treaty; and

WHEREAS, agreements entered into with the Communist controlled governments of Southeast Asia in regard to a just and fair accounting of those Americans lost during the Vietnam War have consistently been broken save for a token number of remains returned at times the Communists deemed to be to their advantage; and

WHEREAS, the remains of only two of the 28 Minnesota men missing in action from the war have been returned to their native soil; and

WHEREAS, the families of these men have suffered long and cruelly over the years by the constant manipulation of our American servicemen, and

WHEREAS, our national leadership has allowed Vietnam into the United Nations; and

WHEREAS, the government of Vietnam insists upon financial assistance in addition to the concessions already made before it will provide an accounting of those men missing in action; and

WHEREAS, to barter for POW/MIA information is submitting to the lowest and most inhumane form of international blackmail; and

WHEREAS, there must be new initiatives made to obtain information about Americans listed as POW, MIA, and Killed in Action-Remains Not Recovered; now, therefore,