BE IT RESOLVED, by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States is ratified by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota, is directed to prepare copies of this resolution and forward them to the Administrator of the General Services Administration, to the President of the Senate of the United States and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States. As required by Minnesota Statutes 1978, Section 5.06, the Secretary shall also transmit an official notice of the adoption of this resolution to the Secretary of State of the United States.

Approved March 28, 1979.

RESOLUTION 2-H.F.No.472

A resolution urging the President, Congress and the Secretary of Transportation to retain the Amtrak North Coast Hiawatha in the National Amtrak Transportation System.

WHEREAS, the North Coast Hiawatha provides vital passenger rail travel from Chicago to Seattle, including direct service to Winona, the Twin Cities, St. Cloud, Staples, Detroit Lakes and Moorhead-Fargo; and

WHEREAS, our people utilize this passenger train in their business, schooling and recreation; and

WHEREAS, the dangerous shortage of crude oil worldwide has prompted the United States to consider closing gasoline stations on weekends and to ban Sunday driving; and

WHEREAS, passenger travel by rail is energy efficient and provides an alternative to the private automobile; and

WHEREAS, in the event of national or international emergency, passenger trains offer the best possible method of large scale movement of people; 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 to retain the North Coast Hiawatha and to improve and revitalize service on the National Amtrak Transportation System.

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 April 9, 1979.

Changes or additions indicated by <u>underline</u> deletions by strikeout