
RESOLUTION 3—S.F.No.1435

A resolution memorializing the Federal Republic of Germany to repeal the statute of limitations for Nazi crimes.

WHEREAS, the German statute of limitations for crimes committed under the Hitler regime will expire in 1979 unless extended or repealed; and

WHEREAS, those atrocious crimes still and always will astound and dismay the world whenever attention is drawn to them; and

WHEREAS, those crimes were a special feature of a state tyranny based on complete debasement of human morality and are not an appropriate subject for a conventional statute of limitations; and

WHEREAS, the good reputation of the Federal Republic of Germany is dependent on its rejection of the policies and the personalities that executed the policies of Nazi Germany; and

WHEREAS, the conduct of the Federal Republic of Germany in this matter is a concern to people throughout the world; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that the Federal Republic of Germany is urged to repeal the statute of limitations for crimes committed under the Hitler regime.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the State of Minnesota transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the Federal Republic of Germany, the Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany and the presiding officers of both houses of the Parliament of the Federal Republic of Germany.

Approved May 29, 1979.