

NUMBER 13.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, INTRODUCED INTO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF MINNESOTA APRIL FIRST (1ST), ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE (1891); PASSED THE HOUSE APRIL SECOND (2D), ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE (1891); PASSED THE SENATE APRIL EIGHTEENTH (18TH), ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE (1891).

WHEREAS, Congress has delegated to the president of the United States the right of setting apart for national parks such lands, not entered nor settled, as in his judgment will contribute to the general welfare; and

WHEREAS, There are not less than three million (3,000,000) acres of such lands in the northern part of Minnesota, mostly bordering Rainy river and Rainy lake, making a belt of extension east and west of over one hundred (100) miles, comprising mainly non-arable lands which can be better forested to promote rainfall and humidity in our atmosphere, to the advantage of agriculture and correlative industries, and add to the beauty of the state and healthfulness of the climate: Therefore,

Resolved, the Senate concurring, That the president of the United States be and he is hereby requested and petitioned to set apart a tract of land along the northern boundary of the state, between the mouth of Vermillion river on the east and Lake of the Woods on the west, not less than forty thousand (40,000) acres in extent, for a national park, with such provisions for protection against depredations and fires, and for reforestation of denuded sections, as will constitute it one of the forest retreats of the country.

Resolved, That the governor, the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture and the secretary of the State Forestry Association be and they are hereby constituted a Minnesota national park committee, to communicate with our members of congress and the president, with a view to secure a survey and organization of said park as soon as possible.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, }
DEPARTMENT OF STATE. }

I hereby certify that I have carefully compared the foregoing with the original as recorded in the senate and house journals of the legislative session of one thousand

eight hundred and ninety-one (1891), and that it is a true and correct copy thereof, as passed through both branches of the Legislature during the said legislative session of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one (1891).

Witness my hand and the great seal of the state, this twenty-second (22d) day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one (1891).

F. P. BROWN,

Secretary of State.

STATE OF MINNESOTA,
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE. }
ST. PAUL, Aug. 20, 1891.

I hereby certify that the Joint Resolutions passed during the legislative session of 1891, and approved by the Governor, were duly filed in the office of the Secretary of State, and that the foregoing printed copies thereof have been carefully compared with the originals, and that the same are true and correct copies thereof.

F. P. BROWN,
Secretary of State.