

*Resolved Further*, that said commission is also authorized and directed to confer and act with any commission designated or appointed by the state of Wisconsin, or any other state interested in the construction of said canal, and to act with any such commission in any and all of the matters hereinbefore set forth.

*Resolved Further*, that the state of Wisconsin is hereby requested and invited to constitute and appoint a like commission for the purpose of consulting and co-operating with said commission hereby appointed for the purpose of furthering the project of constructing said canal.

*Resolved Further*, that the senators and representatives in congress of the United States for the state of Minnesota are hereby requested to urge upon congress the adoption of an act authorizing the final survey of said canal at a depth of ten feet, together with the extension of said canal by means of the canalization of the Mississippi river to the cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis, and to urge upon congress the final construction of said canal by the United states government.

*Resolved Further*, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the senate and house of representatives of the United States and to each of the senators and representatives in congress from this state, and that a like copy be transmitted by the governor of this state to the governor of Wisconsin and to the president of the senate and speaker of the assembly of the state of Wisconsin.

Approved March 31, 1913.

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### JOINT RESOLUTION No. 8.

*A joint resolution of the legislature of the state of Minnesota petitioning the secretary of war of the United States to cause a complete detail survey to be made of the Red River of the North, from Breckenridge, Minnesota, to the international boundary line, with a view to its improvement by the construction of locks and dams.*

WHEREAS, An Act passed by the sixty-second congress of the United States at its second session, H. R. 21477, making appropriations for the construction, repair and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors, and for other purposes, directs the secretary of war of the United States to cause a preliminary examination to be made of the Red River of the North from Wahpeton, North Dakota, and Breckenridge, Minnesota, to the international boundary line, with a view to its improvement by the construction of locks and dams or otherwise, and authorizes him to order complete detailed surveys and estimates to be made if the improvement be deemed advisable, and,

WHEREAS, The secretary of war has not yet made allotment for such a complete survey, and,

WHEREAS, If navigation on said Red River of the North could be assured by the maintenance of a uniform stage of water during the open season, it would enable the farmers resident in the country tributary to the river to market their produce with a shorter haul by wagon and less expense, thereby increasing the value of all the tributary territory, and,

WHEREAS, In the fall of the year the farmers need every possible means for marketing their grain with the least delay and expense, and,

WHEREAS, the transportation facilities of the Red River, instead of increasing with the development of the region, have been practically destroyed by the uncertainty as to an assured navigable stage of water that has followed upon the agricultural development of the region, and,

WHEREAS, The Canadian government has during the past year finished a detailed survey of the entire length of the Red River from the international boundary to Lake Winnipeg, and has already built the first of the contemplated improvements, namely, the St. Andrews lock and dam, which gives a permanent stage of water along thirty miles of the valley, and has determined to build the next lock and dam immediately, and,

WHEREAS, This survey was made on the understanding and expectation that similar work would be done on the portion of the river on this side of the international boundary, and,

WHEREAS, The legislature of the state of Minnesota deems it advisable and in the interests of the state that the Red River of the North be improved by the construction of locks and dams or otherwise so that it will be always navigable during the open season, and,

WHEREAS, The legislature of the state of Minnesota favors the plan of improvement by locks and dams as the only feasible plan whereby a constant stage of water can be established with sufficient depth so that navigation will be assured with certainty.

*Be it Resolved*, by the senate of the state of Minnesota, the house of representatives concurring, that the legislature of the state of Minnesota hereby petitions the secretary of war of the United States that he cause a complete detailed survey to be made as hereinabove mentioned and that he order an allotment of sufficient funds for the work of such complete survey as contemplated and authorized in said act of congress known as H. R. 21477.

*Be It Further Resolved*, that the aforesaid petition shall be signed by the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives and attested by the chief clerk of each

house and a certified copy thereof duly authenticated shall be sent by the secretary of state to the secretary of war of the United States.

Approved April 8, 1913.

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#### JOINT RESOLUTION No. 9.

*A joint memorial to congress relating to the control and treatment of trachoma and tuberculosis among Indians.*

WHEREAS, It has been shown by a survey recently conducted by the U. S. Public Health Service that 14.62 per thousand of the Indians of Minnesota are afflicted with trachoma in an active form and that 29.21 per thousand among these same Indians are suffering from tuberculosis; and

WHEREAS, The existence within the confines of the state of Minnesota of Indian reservations with a population so heavily infected with dangerous communicable diseases is a distinct menace to the public health of the citizens of Minnesota by reason of the rapid development and opening to settlement of these reservations; and,

WHEREAS, Certain specific recommendations for the correction of this condition have been made in a report submitted by the surgeon-general of the U. S. Public Health Service to congress in February, 1913; and,

WHEREAS, It is believed that the Red Lake reservation located in the state of Minnesota presents a suitable field for the application of these remedies, in order to demonstrate their effectiveness;

*Be It Resolved*, that the legislature of the state of Minnesota, now in regular session assembled, do petition the congress of the United States to empower the surgeon-general of the U. S. Public Health Service and grant him sufficient funds to put into execution the necessary measures on the Red Lake Indian reservation in the state of Minnesota for the control and eradication of trachoma and tuberculosis among the Indians resident thereon.

Approved April 11, 1913.

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#### JOINT RESOLUTION No. 10.

*Joint resolution authorizing the governor to confer brevet rank upon officers and soldiers of Minnesota volunteers for distinguished service.*

*Be it Resolved*, By the house of representatives, the senate concurring, that it being a sacred and grateful duty, of the