

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the secretary of state be instructed to send copies of this resolution to the Minnesota representatives and senators in congress; the secretary of war, Washington, D. C.; Col. Malcolm Elliott, division engineer, Upper Mississippi Valley Division, Syndicate Building, St. Louis, Mo.; Col. L. C. Barnes, district engineer, Post Office Building, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Approved April 17, 1945.

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RESOLUTION No. 12—S. F. No. 1025

*A concurrent resolution memorializing Congress to enact into law H. R. 5295, relating to the domestic raising of certain fur bearing animals.*

WHEREAS, fur farming is an important and valuable industry within Minnesota, and

WHEREAS, the raising of pen-bred fox, mink, persian lamb, karakul and chinchilla is, in reality, an agricultural pursuit and the products of such fur farms are livestock, notwithstanding the fact that the Minnesota legislature, for purposes of expedient administration and regulation, defines such animals as wild animals and polices the industry through the personnel of the division of game and fish, and

WHEREAS, it is the belief of this legislature that great benefits can accrue to this valuable pursuit if the federal agency concerned with the promotion of fur farming be designated as the Department of Agriculture,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the legislature of the State of Minnesota that Congress be urged to take such steps as are necessary to enact into law H. R. 5295, which provides that the breeding, raising, producing or marketing of the animals herein referred to shall be deemed an agricultural pursuit under the jurisdiction of the federal Department of Agriculture.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to each member of Congress from the State of Minnesota.

Approved April 17, 1945.