

WHEREAS in other State observances commemorative coins have been issued by the United States Treasury;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

That Congress be requested to enact such legislation as is necessary to authorize and direct the United States Treasury to issue one hundred fifty thousand commemorative half dollar coins, dated 1949, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said coins be delivered to the Minnesota Historical Society upon payment therefor and that said Society be, and it hereby is, authorized to arrange for the sale and distribution thereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be sent to the members of Congress from the State of Minnesota.

RESOLUTION No. 17—S. F. No. 1337

A joint resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States respecting the establishment of wilderness or roadless areas in the Superior National Forest.

WHEREAS the region known as the wilderness canoe country in the Superior National Forest in northern Minnesota, adjacent to the international boundary, with its myriad lakes and streams, wooded shores, virgin forests, and other natural attractions of surpassing scenic beauty, is the largest area of its kind remaining free from artificial developments in the United States; and

WHEREAS there is a widespread desire among the people of the State of Minnesota and throughout the nation that the resources and attractions of this region be preserved forever unspoiled for the enjoyment of present and future generations; and

WHEREAS the rare wilderness character of the region is now threatened with commercial exploitation unless immediate action is taken by the federal government to acquire those portions of the area remaining in private ownership, so as to protect the natural attractions thereon and secure the same for public use, together with the lands already in public ownership; and

WHEREAS the United States Forest Service has designated certain roadless areas embracing the portions of the wilderness region most suitable for the purpose, and a plan for consolidating and protecting the same has been formulated, with the approval of the county boards of the Minnesota counties concerned, the Minnesota Department of Conservation, and many local, state, and national organizations; and

WHEREAS a bill to carry out this plan, providing for acquisition and exchange of land and for payment of fair compensation to the counties in lieu of taxes on federal land, has been introduced in Congress;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, in regular session assembled, that we urge the Congress of the United States to pass the aforesaid bill as soon as possible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that authenticated copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, the presiding officers of the Senate and House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, and each of the senators and representatives in Congress from the State of Minnesota.

RESOLUTION No. 18—SENATE CONCURRENT

RESOLUTION No. 1410

Memorializing the President, Secretary of State and Congress of the United States to direct our representatives in the United Nations to support the long established and officially declared policy of our government favoring the establishment of the Jewish National Home in Palestine and the immediate opening of the doors of Palestine to large Jewish immigration.

WHEREAS, at the 1945 general session of the legislature of the State of Minnesota a joint resolution was adopted approving the establishment in Palestine of a Jewish National Home as called for by the Balfour Declaration and the mandate entrusted to Great Britain by the League of Nations and calling for the abrogation of the White Paper restricting Jewish immigration into Palestine and limiting the purchase of land in Palestine by Jews; and

WHEREAS, since the adoption of said resolution, said restrictions have continued, and the displaced Jewish persons