

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Post Office Department of the United States be urged to have first day ceremonies for the stamp in or near Fort Snelling.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, the Postmaster General of the United States, the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service of the United States House of Representatives, the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service of the United States Senate and the Minnesota Representatives and Senators in Congress.

Approved February 14, 1969.

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RESOLUTION 2—H. F. No. 235

*A resolution memorializing the General Services Administration to dispose of the Old Federal Courts Building in St. Paul, Minnesota, consistently with its historic and architectural value.*

WHEREAS, the Old Federal Courts Building in St. Paul, Minnesota, is more than 65 years old and possesses significant historic and architectural value; and

WHEREAS, the federal government no longer uses the building for governmental purposes, and the building either has been or in the near future probably will be declared surplus property by the General Services Administration; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the General Services Administration will dispose of the building in the near future; and

WHEREAS, disposition of the building should be accomplished in a manner which is consistent with its historic and architectural value and insures the preservation of that value for the benefit of future generations; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, that the General Services Administration be requested, upon determining that the building is surplus property, to give it to the city of St. Paul, the county of Ramsey, or the state of Minnesota for a public use consistent with its historic and architectural value if the city, county, or state will accept the building for that purpose or, if none of

them accept, to dispose of the building in another manner that will insure the preservation of its historic and architectural value.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota be instructed to transmit copies of this resolution to the General Services Administration and to the senators and representatives from the state of Minnesota serving in the United States Congress.

Approved February 24, 1969.

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RESOLUTION 3—S. F. No. 302

*A resolution memorializing the President and Congress to abolish residence requirements for all federally supported programs for assistance to the blind.*

WHEREAS, the United States has appropriated substantial money to the several states for programs to assist the rehabilitation and aid in the support of the blind; and

WHEREAS, the several states have various and inconsistent residence requirements necessary for persons to qualify for assistance to the blind; and

WHEREAS, these requirements impede the movement of the blind throughout the union; and

WHEREAS, it would be of great value to persons otherwise qualified for assistance and to the public at large that those citizens have the same ease of movement throughout the union that citizens not so disadvantaged possess; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota that Congress should speedily enact legislation to abolish residence requirements for all federally supported programs for aid to the blind.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota be instructed to transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, the President of the Senate of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives of