MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FORTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.

No. 7.

STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVES relating to national affairs.

Resolved, That we cordially endorse the administra-

- 2 tion of Abraham Lincoln, in the conduct of the war
- 3 against the wicked and unnatural enemies of the re-
- 4 public, and that in all its measures calculated to crush
- 5 this rebellion speedily and finally, the administration
- 6 is entitled to and will receive the unwavering support
- 7 of the loyal people of Maine.

Resolved, That it is the duty of congress by such

- 2 means as will not jeopard the rights and safety of the
- 3 loyal people of the south, to provide for the confiscation
- 4 of estates real and personal, and for the forfeiture and
- 5 liberation of every slave claimed by any person who
- 6 shall continue in arms against the authority of the

- 7 United States, or who shall in any manner aid and abet
- 8 the present wicked and unjustifiable rebellion.

Resolved, That in this perilous crisis of the country

- 2 it is the duty of congress, in the exercise of its consti-
- 3 tutional power to "raise and support armies," to pro-
- 4 vide by law for accepting the services of all able-bodied
- 5 men of whatever status, and to employ these men in
- 6 such manner as military necessity and the safety of
- 7 the republic may demand.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to

- 2 the senators and representatives in congress from this
- 3 state, and that they be respectfully requested to use
- 4 all honorable means to secure the passage of acts em-
- 5 bodying their spirit and substance.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, Feb. 4, 1862.

The "resolves on national affairs" being before the Senate, Mr. PEASE of Cumberland, gave notice of a proposed substitute, which substitute was ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

JAMES M. LINCOLN, Secretary.