

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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STATE OF MAINE.

RESOLVE relating to national affairs.

WHEREAS, the loyal people of Maine believe and will
2 never cease to insist that equal justice and equal lib-
3 erty and equal legal protection are the inalienable
4 right of all men of whatever race or color, that there
5 should be no restraints but those laws that are common
6 to all citizens, and no denial of political rights to male
7 citizens of the age of twenty-one years or upward,
8 except in punishment of treason or other crime, that
9 loyal men must rule our national destinies; and
10 WHEREAS, treason and rebellion deprived the people
11 of ten of the lately rebellious states of all civil gov-
12 ernment; therefore

Resolved, That those states should now be re-organ-
2 ized under authority of the congress of the United

3 States, through the action of the loyal people of those
4 states, under organic laws that fully guarantee and
5 secure the full benefit of these great principles to all
6 the people thereof, and withhold political power from
7 traitors therein, before it is proper to re-admit those
8 states to representation in the general government of
9 the United States.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, January 16, 1867.

Laid on the table by Mr. BOYNTON, and 350 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Legislature.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, *Secretary.*