

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTIETH LEGISLATURE

SENATE

NO. 78

In Senate, February 23, 1921.

Referred to Committee on Military Affairs and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent down for concurrence.

L. ERNEST THORNTON, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Garcelon of Androscoggin.

STATE OF MAINE

**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE**

MEMORIAL TO CONGRESS, Protesting against Any Increase in Military and Naval Armaments by the United States, and Urging Congress to Take Action toward Bringing About a Reduction of Armaments by the Principal Nations of the World.

Resolved: That the people of the State of Maine by their
2 representatives in legislature assembled realize:

That great military and naval armaments increase instead
2 of lessen the possibility of war;

That the nations of the world are today staggering under
2 the burdens imposed upon them by former wars and by the
3 expense of increased armies and navies;

That autocracies and selfish interests encourage wars and
2 preparation for wars;

That if the present increase of armaments continues, a
2 second world war infinitely more disastrous than the first
3 may overwhelm civilization; and

That the people of the State of Maine believe it is the
2 destiny of these United States of America to assume the
3 leadership of the nations in proposing and bringing about
4 a speedy and sweeping reduction of military and naval arma-
5 ments, and therefore respectfully urge upon Congress the
6 necessity of prompt and decisive action in order that the
7 world may know that the United States still upholds the
8 high ideals which were established as the foundation of our
9 government; and be it further

Resolved: That the secretary of state be directed to trans-
2 mit copies of this Memorial to both Houses of Congress
3 and to our Senators and Representatives therein.