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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

S T A T E O F M A I N E

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-NINE

**Memorial to the Honorable Franklin Delano Roosevelt, President of the
United States, Requesting Federal Prosecution of Certain Persons.**

We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine in the 89th Legislative session assembled, most respectfully present and petition the Honorable Franklin Delano Roosevelt as follows:

Whereas, certain persons connected with Federal Emergency Relief Administration in Maine and under whose administration, direction or control, funds were expended in Maine, were indicted by the Grand Jury in Kennebec County, Maine, for misuse of said funds; and

Whereas, one of said persons indicted, as above set forth, was brought to trial in the Superior Court of said Kennebec County, and was found guilty by a jury of said misuse of funds; and

Whereas, on appeal it was held that the State Court had no jurisdiction over the matter; and the indictments above referred to were quashed on the ground that prosecution must be had in the Federal Court; and

Whereas, no prosecution has been initiated in a Federal Court, and no steps whatever have been taken by the United States Department of Justice to prosecute the men indicted, as above set forth, now therefore be it

Resolved: That we, the 89th Legislature, do hereby respectfully request the President of the United States to call upon the United States Department of Justice to prosecute in the Federal Court the men indicted in Kennebec County, Maine, as above set forth, for misuse of public funds; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Memorial, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of State, to the President of the United States, to the Attorney General of the United States, and to the United States District Attorney for the District of Maine.