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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Perkins of Boothbay Harbor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-FIVE

MEMORIAL TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES

MEMORIAL

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress Assembled

We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine in the ninety-second Legislative Session assembled, most respectfully present and petition your Honorable Body as follows:

Whereas, there is now pending in the Congress legislation purporting to authorize the drafting of men, now free, for labor in industrial plants to work for private employers who would make a profit on their labor; and

Whereas, such legislation is unconstitutional, being in violation of the direct and positive prohibition of the thirteenth amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America; and

Whereas, the passage of such legislation would betray those who have died for the American Way of Life because it would destroy the very thing for which they have died; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That we, your Memorialists, do hereby respectfully peti-

tion and urge the Members of Congress to oppose said legislation; 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, by registered mail, to the proper officers and committees of the United States Senate and House of Representatives, the President of the United States and to each of the Representatives and Senators representing the State of Maine in the United States Congress.