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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

One Hundred and Third Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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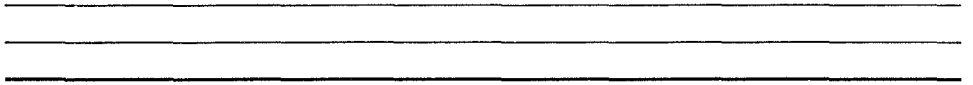
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Memorials

Joint Resolutions



STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED
AND SIXTY-SIX

RATIFICATION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
UNITED STATES RELATING TO PRESIDENTIAL
SUCCESSION AND INABILITY.

Resolution, Ratifying the Proposed Amendment to the Constitution of the United States Relating to Presidential Succession and Inability.

Whereas, the Eighty-ninth Congress of the United States of America, at the First Session begun and held at the City of Washington, on Wednesday, the sixth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-five, by a constitutional two-thirds vote in both Houses adopted a Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, to wit :

Joint Resolution

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to succession to the Presidency and Vice Presidency and to cases where the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House concurring therein), that the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States within seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress :

“Article —

“Section 1. In case of the removal of the President from office or of his death or resignation, the Vice President shall become President.

“Section 2. Whenever there is a vacancy in the office of the Vice President, the President shall nominate a Vice President who shall take office upon confirmation by a majority vote of both Houses of Congress.

“Section 3. Whenever the President transmits to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives his written declaration that he is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office, and until he transmits to them a written declaration to the contrary, such powers and duties shall be discharged by the Vice President as Acting President.

“Section 4. Whenever the Vice President and a majority of either the principal officers of the executive departments or of such other body as Congress may by law provide, transmit to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives their written declaration that the

President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office, the Vice President shall immediately assume the powers and duties of the office as Acting President.

“Thereafter, when the President transmits to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives his written declaration that no inability exists, he shall resume the powers and duties of his office unless the Vice President and a majority of either the principal officers of the executive department or of such other body as Congress may by law provide, transmit within four days to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives their written declaration that the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office. Thereupon Congress shall decide the issue, assembling within forty-eight hours for that purpose if not in session. If the Congress, within twenty-one days after receipt of the latter written declaration, or, if Congress is not in session, within twenty-one days after Congress is required to assemble, determines by two-thirds vote of both Houses that the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office, the Vice President shall continue to discharge the same as Acting President; otherwise, the President shall resume the powers and duties of his office.”

Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of the State of Maine hereby ratifies and adopts this proposed Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Resolved, That the Secretary of State of the State of Maine notify the President of the United States, the Secretary of State of the United States, the President pro tempore of the Senate of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States, the Administrator of General Services of the United States, and each Senator and Representative from Maine in the Congress of the United States of this action of the Legislature by forwarding to each of them a certified copy of this Resolution.

S. P. 711

IN SENATE CHAMBER

Read and Adopted

Sent down for Concurrence

January 21, 1966

EDWIN H. PERT, Secretary

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Read and Adopted

In Concurrence

January 24, 1966

JEROME G. PLANTE, Clerk

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED
AND SIXTY-SIX

JOINT RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE UNITED STATES POLICY
IN VIETNAM

We, your Memorialists, the House of Representatives and Senate of the State of Maine in Special Session of the One Hundred Second Legislative Session assembled, most respectfully present and petition your Honorable Body as follows:

Whereas, the United States of America stands committed to a policy of resisting the forces of Communist aggression which imperil the freedom and liberty of the people and nations of the free world; and

Whereas, it is of vital importance that the forces of totalitarianism recognize that the United States of America, as a nation, will utilize every means at its disposal to honor such commitments; and

Whereas, the present use of American military forces in Vietnam manifests the determination of the United States of America to implement this policy whenever and wherever the freedom of the nations of the free world are threatened; and

Whereas, our military forces, in this great struggle, are proving a decisive factor in implementing American policy, not only in the defense of Vietnam against Communist aggression, but as a developing arsenal of strength which will provide the means of securing a final peace; now, therefore, be it

Resolved: That we, your memorialists, urge that the Congress of the United States of America, in recognition of the sacrifices and heroism of our fighting men in Vietnam, extend the profound thanks of the Congress and the people of the United States to the military forces of this country in Vietnam for their valiant efforts; and be it further

Resolved: That a copy of this Resolution, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted by the Secretary of State to the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the United States, and to the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress and to the members of the Senate and House of Representatives from this State.

IN SENATE CHAMBER

Read and Adopted

Sent down, for Concurrence

February 1, 1966

EDWIN H. PERT, Secretary

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Read and Adopted

In Concurrence

February 1, 1966

JEROME G. PLANTE, Clerk

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED
AND SIXTY-SEVEN

JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS TO EXTEND THE
NORTHERN TERMINUS OF THE INTERSTATE AND
DEFENSE HIGHWAY SYSTEM IN MAINE
FROM HOULTON TO FORT KENT.

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

Whereas, it has been recognized that the nation's economy and the nation's security require the construction of a national system of interstate and defense highways; and

Whereas, the primary responsibility for construction of such a system rests in the Federal Government; and

Whereas, the objective is to complete the presently designated national system by 1972; and

Whereas, the people of Maine through appropriate action have deemed it essential that the highways of this State be integrated into the interstate and defense system; and

Whereas, the coinciding completion dates of U. S. Interstate 95 to the border east of Houlton and the entire Trans Canada Highway system will result in a great amount of potential traffic by-passing central and northern Aroostook County; and

Whereas, a high-standard, key artery highway through Aroostook County will better serve present industry, attract new industry and provide tourists and travelers with access to the many recreational possibilities of central and northern Aroostook County; and

Whereas, the Department of Defense of the U. S. Government has extensive defense installations in northern Aroostook County, namely Loring Air Force Base located in Limestone, Maine and supplemental installations to this base also located in the general area of northern Aroostook County, in the State of Maine; now, therefore, be it

Resolved: That we, your Memorialists, recommend and urge to the Congress of the United States, in order to more adequately serve the more heavily populated areas of central and northern Aroostook County and provide additional highway facilities for defense installations in northern Aroostook County, that appropriate action be taken to require the Department of Commerce, through the Bureau of Public Roads, to relocate the northern terminus of the Interstate and Defense Highway System in Maine from Houlton to Fort Kent; 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 Senate and House of Representatives in Congress and to the members of the said Senate and House of Representatives from this State.

IN SENATE CHAMBER	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Read and Adopted	Read and Adopted
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January 24, 1967	January 25, 1967
JERROLD B. SPEERS, Secretary	BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

S. P. 143

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED
AND SIXTY-SEVEN

JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS
TO INCLUDE MAINE IN STUDY OF HIGH-SPEED
GROUND TRANSPORTATION

We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine in the One Hundred and Third Legislative Session assembled, most respectfully present and petition The Honorable John T. Connor, Secretary of Commerce, as follows:

Whereas, it has been recognized that the nation's economy and the nation's security require a study in high-speed ground transportation; and

Whereas, the 89th Congress by Public Law 89-220 has authorized you to undertake research and development in high-speed ground transportation with the end in view of attaining, in relationship with other modes of transportation, the objective of promoting a safe, adequate, economical and efficient national transportation system; and

Whereas, since Maine is located in the extreme northeast corner of the nation, it is vitally essential that Maine, instead of being bypassed, should be included in any resulting national transportation system; now, therefore, be it

Resolved: That we, your Memorialists, recommend and urge to the Secretary of Commerce that Maine be included in any action taken by the Secretary of Commerce under Public Law 89-220; and be it further

Resolved: That a copy of this Memorial, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be transmitted to The Honorable John T. Connor, Secretary of Commerce, and to each of Maine's Senators and Representatives in Congress.

IN SENATE CHAMBER

Read and Adopted

Sent down for Concurrence

January 26, 1967

JERROLD B. SPEERS, Secretary

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Read and Adopted

in Concurrence

January 31, 1967

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

S. P. 172

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED
AND SIXTY-SEVEN

JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS TO FUND THE
"NATIONAL SEA GRANT COLLEGE AND PROGRAM
ACT OF 1966," AND CARRY OUT THE
PROVISIONS THEREOF.

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

Whereas, Public Law 89-688 passed by the 89th Congress, October 15, 1966, authorized the National Science Foundation to carry out the provisions of "The National Sea Grant College and Program Act of 1966;" and

Whereas, the Foundation is authorized to consult with experts engaged in pursuits in the various fields related to the development of marine resources; and

Whereas, the Foundation shall exercise its authority by initiating and supporting programs at Sea Grant Colleges and other suitable institutes, laboratories, and public or private agencies for the education of participants in the various fields relating to the development of marine resources; and

Whereas, this Act will provide authorization for the Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries to receive support for the purpose of developing marine research programs, the marine resources, and provide for resource publications and practical demonstrations and which, in turn, will enhance Maine's commercial fishing industry; and

Whereas, the programs to carry out the purposes of this Act shall be accomplished through contracts with, or grants to suitable public or private institutions

of higher education, institutes, laboratories, and public or private agencies which are engaged in, or concerned with, activities in the various fields related to the development of marine resources, for the establishment and operation by them of such programs; and

Whereas, no funds have been appropriated to the National Science Foundation for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act; now, therefore, be it

Resolved: That we, your Memorialists, most sincerely urge the Congress of the United States, to facilitate the exploration of our ocean resources and make available the funds necessary to carry out the provisions of Public Law 89-688 as passed by the 89th Congress, October 15, 1966; 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 Senate and House of Representatives in Congress and to the members of the said Senate and House of Representatives from this State.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Read and Adopted

March 9, 1967

Sent up for Concurrence

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

IN SENATE CHAMBER

Read and Adopted

in Concurrence

March 14, 1967

JERROLD B. SPEERS, Secretary

H. P. 1059

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED
AND SIXTY-SEVEN

JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS RECOMMENDING
FULL DEVELOPMENT OF ELECTRIC POWER POTENTIAL OF
PASSAMAQUODDY BAY AND UPPER SAINT JOHN RIVER.

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

Whereas, the people of Maine throughout the years have supported the concept of developing Passamaquoddy Bay for electric power purposes as indicated by a great number of favorable and sometimes unanimous Acts of the State Legislature, and earlier by a state-wide referendum that favored Quoddy by nearly ten to one; and

Whereas, the need for vast quantities of reasonably priced power to satisfy the future needs of Maine, the Northeastern States, and the Eastern Provinces of Canada has been established without question; and

Whereas, development of electric power from the Upper Saint John River and Passamaquoddy Bay can be very valuable as peaking power and for base load power; and

Whereas, other substantial benefits such as increased numbers of tourists, increased recreational uses of the Bay and River, down stream power benefits on the Saint John River, flood control benefits and much needed construction job opportunities in the site areas will result; and

Whereas, the platforms of both the Republican and Democratic Parties of Maine advocate the development of the electric power potential of Passamaquoddy Bay and Upper Saint John River, now therefore, be it

Resolved: That the 103rd Legislature recommends the full development of the electric power potential of Passamaquoddy Bay and such supplemental development of the electric power potential of the Upper Saint John River as may be recommended as economically feasible by studies now under way by the Department of the Interior without substantial destruction of the recreational and industrial advantages now recognized as existing in the Saint John River area, and that necessary interconnecting transmission facilities be provided between the projects and the load centers of the Northeast to provide the optimum benefits to the United States and Canada; and be it further

Resolved: That this 103rd Legislature respectfully asks that required action be taken to start the projects at the earliest possible time in the most economic and practical sequence of development; 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 Senate and House of Representatives in Congress and to the members of the said Senate and House of Representatives from this State.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Read and Adopted

March 21, 1967

Sent up for Concurrence

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

IN SENATE CHAMBER

Read and Adopted

in Concurrence

March 22, 1967

JERROLD B. SPEERS, Secretary