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STATE OF MAINE
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MEMORIALS**

AND

JOINT RESOLUTIONS

State of Maine

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Two

JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS TO SUPPORT A MUTUAL FREEZE ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS BY THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION

We, your Memorialists, the House of Representatives and Senate of the State of Maine, in the Second Regular Session of the One Hundred and Tenth Legislature, now assembled, most respectfully present and petition the Congress of the United States, as follows:

Whereas, the United States and the Soviet Union between them currently possess 50,000 nuclear warheads and are in the process, over the next 20 years, of building 20,000 more nuclear warheads; and

Whereas, the destructive power of these weapons can render the planet earth uninhabitable for any form of life; and

Resolved: That We, your Memorialists, respectfully urge and request the Congress of the United States to take immediate action by calling upon both the United States and the Soviet Union to adopt a mutual freeze on the testing, production and deployment of nuclear weapons, completely verifiable by whatever methods necessary to ensure compliance by both nations; and be it further

Resolved: That it is recognized that President Ronald W. Reagan has taken a positive step in this direction through his proposal for nondeployment of nuclear weapons in Europe; and be it further

Resolved: That it is further recognized that a mutual freeze of nuclear weapons is to be followed by the mutual reduction of such weapons and a balance of nuclear forces between these nations; and be it further

Resolved: That notice be given to government officials of the Soviet Union; that no illusions should be entertained concerning the resolve of the Memorialists to protect the national security of the United States; and that the government officials of the Soviet Union are urged to allow their own citizens free and open support of a mutual, verifiable freeze and reduction of nuclear weapons; and be it further

Resolved: That a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution be immediately submitted by the Secretary of State to the Honorable Ronald W. Reagan, President of the United States, the Honorable George Bush, President of the Senate, and the Honorable Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, and each Member of the Senate and House of Representatives in the Congress of the United States from this State.

H. P. 2161

House of Representatives

Read and Adopted

March 11, 1982

Sent up for Concurrence

Ordered Sent Forthwith

EDWIN H. PERT

Clerk

Rules Suspended

In Senate Chamber

Read and Adopted

in Concurrence

March 11, 1982

MAY M. ROSS

Secretary

State of Maine

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Two

JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION CONCERNING SARDINE PROCESSING WASTE DISCHARGE LICENSES

We, your Memorialists, the House of Representatives and Senate of the State of Maine of the One Hundred and Tenth Legislature, now assembled, most respectfully present and petition your honorable body, as follows:

Whereas, the Maine sardine industry provides vital employment and revenue for the people of the State; and

Whereas, current waste discharge licenses for the sardine industry expire this April; and

Whereas, failure to renew these licenses with reasonable permit conditions would force some or all of the sardine processing plants to close, causing extreme economic and social hardship; and

Whereas, confusion concerning the interpretation of state and federal standards, particularly the categorization of wet or dry processors, may make it difficult to issue revised permits in time for this fishing season; and

Whereas, all sardine plants in Maine use water to transport fish within the processing plants; now, therefore, be it

Resolved: That We, the Members of the 110th Legislature now assembled, do hereby most strongly recommend the Maine Department of Environmental Protection to renew sardine processors' waste discharge licenses based on the federal standards for wet processors as promulgated in the Federal Register, Volume 70, Number 231, December 1, 1975; and be it further

Resolved: That a duly authenticated copy of this resolution be immediately submitted by the Secretary of State to Mr. Henry Warren, Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection.

H. P. 2181

House of Representatives
Read and Adopted
March 12, 1982
Sent up for Concurrence
Ordered Sent Forthwith
EDWIN H. PERT
Clerk

Rules Suspended
In Senate Chamber
Read and Adopted
in Concurrence
March 12, 1982
MAY M. ROSS
Secretary

State of Maine

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Two

JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET COMMITTEE AND
MAINE DELEGATION REGARDING CHANGES
TO THE RAILROAD RETIREMENT SYSTEM

We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine in the Second Regular Session of the One Hundred and Tenth Legislature, now assembled, most respectfully present and petition the House and Senate Budget Committee of the United States Congress and the Maine Congressional Delegation, as follows:

Whereas, the Railroad Retirement System was established by an Act of Congress, in 1935, to provide retirement-survivor and unemployment-sickness benefit programs for the Nation's railroad workers and their families; and

Whereas, the Railroad Retirement System has been financed jointly with contributions from rail carriers and rail labor for more than 45 years; and

Whereas, the Railroad Retirement System has a present cash investment worth \$3,600,000,000 and more than 1,100,000 annuitants, yet is administered with only 1% of the revenues; and

Whereas, the present organization, financial strength and longevity of the Railroad Retirement System allows for the efficient distribution of both railroad program benefits and, since 1974, social security benefits, to eligible recipients; and

Whereas, the abolition of the Railroad Retirement System or its absorption into the Social Security Program could conceivably jeopardize the continued distribution of benefits, now, therefore, be it

Resolved: That We, your Memorialists, respectfully urge and request the Congressional budget committees to reject any proposal contained in the 1983 federal budget which would abolish or reorganize the Railroad Retirement System, and be it further

Resolved: That a duly authenticated copy of this Resolution be immediately submitted by the Secretary of State to the Maine Congressional Delegation and the members of the House and Senate budget committees of the Congress of the United States.

Rules Suspended
In Senate Chamber
 Read and Adopted
 Sent down for Concurrence
 April 6, 1982
 MAY M. ROSS
 Secretary
 Ordered Sent Forthwith

Under Suspension of Rules
House of Representatives
 Read and Adopted
 April 6, 1982
 In Concurrence
 EDWIN H. PERT
 Clerk
 Ordered Sent Forthwith

S. P. 984

State of Maine

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Two

JOINT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY CONCERNING SARDINE PROCESSING WASTE DISCHARGE LICENSES

WE, your Memorialists, the House of Representatives and Senate of the State of Maine of the One Hundred and Tenth Legislature, now assembled, most respectfully present and petition your Honorable Body, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Maine sardine industry provides vital employment and revenue for the people of the State; and

WHEREAS, current waste discharge licenses for the sardine industry expire this April; and

WHEREAS, failure to renew these licenses with reasonable permit conditions would force some or all of the sardine processing plants to close, causing extreme economic and social hardship; and

WHEREAS, confusion concerning the interpretation of state and federal standards, particularly the categorization of wet or dry processors, may make it difficult to issue revised permits in time for this fishing season; and

WHEREAS, all sardine plants in Maine use water to transport fish within the processing plants; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That We, your Memorialists, respectfully recommend and urge the United States Environmental Protection Agency to consider all sardine plants in the State of Maine to meet the criteria of the wet processing subcategory under Subpart AB as promulgated in the Federal Register, Volume 70, Number 231, December 1, 1975, for the purposes of renewing waste discharge licenses for this year while the subcategories and effluent limits are reevaluated; and be it further

RESOLVED: That a duly authenticated copy of this Memorial be immediately submitted by the Secretary of State to Mrs. Anne Gorsuch, Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

House of Representatives
Read and Adopted
March 12, 1982
Sent up for Concurrence
Ordered Sent Forthwith
EDWIN H. PERT
Clerk

Rules Suspended
In Senate Chamber
Read and Adopted
in Concurrence
March 12, 1982
MAY M. ROSS
Secretary

H.P. 2182

State of Maine

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Two

JOINT RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE "DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE" OF THE VICTIMS OF THE NAZI HOLOCAUST

Whereas, less than 40 years ago, 6 million Jews were murdered in the Nazi Holocaust as part of a systematic program of genocide, and millions of other people suffered as victims of Nazism; and

Whereas, the people of the State of Maine should always remember the atrocities committed by the Nazis so that such horrors must never be repeated; and

Whereas, the people of the State of Maine should continually rededicate themselves to the principle of equal justice for all people; and

Whereas, the people of the State of Maine should remain eternally vigilant against all tyranny, and recognize that bigotry provides a breeding ground for tyranny to flourish; and

Whereas, April 20, 1982, has been designated pursuant to an Act of Congress and internationally as a Day of Remembrance of Victims of the Nazi Holocaust, known as Yom Hashoah; and

Whereas, the international community will be commemorating the week of April 18 through April 25, 1982, as the "Days of Remembrance" of the Victims of the Nazi Holocaust; and

Whereas, it is appropriate for the people of the State of Maine to join in this international commemoration; now, therefore, be it

Resolved: That We, the Members of the 110th Legislature on behalf of the people of the State of Maine, in memory of the victims of the Holocaust, recommit ourselves to the lessons of the Holocaust through this international week of commemoration and express our common desires to continually strive to overcome prejudice and inhumanity through education, vigilance and resistance; and be it further

Resolved: That suitable copies of this Joint Resolution be prepared and transmitted forthwith to the United States Holocaust Memorial Council in Washington, D.C., on behalf of the people of the State of Maine.

Under Suspension of Rules

House of Representatives

Read and Adopted

April 7, 1982

Sent up for Concurrence

EDWIN H. PERT

Clerk

Ordered Sent Forthwith

Rules Suspended

In Senate Chamber

Read and Adopted

In Concurrence

April 7, 1982

MAY M. ROSS

Secretary

H. P. 2346