

RESOLUTION  
OF  
THE LEGISLATURE OF IOWA,  
IN FAVOR OF

*Sustaining the President of the United States in his present policy for the management of the various Indian tribes, and against the opening of the Indian country for settlement, corporate, or speculative purposes.*

FEBRUARY 29, 1872.—Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs and ordered to be printed.

*Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the general assembly of Iowa, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives be requested, to sustain the President of the United States in his present policy for the management of the various Indian tribes, and to vote against any bill or resolution the object of which is to open the country known as the Indian Territory for the introduction of white or citizen settlement, or for corporate or speculative purposes, the same being in violation of the solemn pledges of the Government of the United States as set forth in its treaties of 1866 and 1867 with the Cherokee, Creek, Choctaw, Chickasaw, and Seminole Nations, wherein the Government purchased and received in trust from said tribes the western half of said Territory, specifically for the removal to, and settlement therein, of the scattered tribes of Kansas, Nebraska, and other States, and the uncivilized tribes of the plains, providing fully, in all the treaties with the latter migrating tribes, that they should, on taking homes in said Indian Territory, be fully protected therein from any further encroachment.*

That, inasmuch as the tribes occupying said Territory and those removing thereto can have no provision for homes east, west, north or south of the same, it becomes an additional duty as well as policy of the Government, faithfully to protect them in this their final home.

JAMES WILSON,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*  
H. C. BALIS,  
*President of the Senate.*

Approved February 24, 1872.

C. C. CARPENTER.

I, Ed. Wright, secretary of state, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original joint resolution now on file in this office.

ED. WRIGHT,  
*Secretary of State.*