

RESOLUTIONS
OF THE
LEGISLATURE OF MINNESOTA,

IN FAVOR OF

Additional relief to the sufferers from the Sioux Indian war of 1862.

FEBRUARY 11, 1865.—Referred to Committee on Indian Affairs and ordered to be printed.

JOINT RESOLUTION of the legislature of the State of Minnesota, for additional relief to the sufferers from the Sioux Indian war of 1862.

Whereas it appears from the report of the commissioners appointed under the act of Congress entitled "An act for the relief of persons for damages sustained by reason of depredations and injuries by certain bands of Sioux Indians, approved February 16, 1863," that many persons entitled to the relief contemplated by said act were not able to prove their claims on account of their absence from this State, either as soldiers in the United States service or as refugees; and that in other instances no sufficient evidence could be introduced on account of the limited time in which said commissioners had to perform their labors under said act; and

Whereas said act does not contain any sufficient provision whereby any errors committed by said commissioners, in auditing and determining the claims, can be properly reviewed and corrected, whereby many persons, without their fault, have been deprived of the benefit contemplated by said act; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the legislature of the State of Minnesota, That our senators in Congress be instructed and our representatives be requested to use their best endeavors to secure the passage of an act of Congress for the appointment of other commissioners, with full power to hear and determine all such claims which might have been presented to and decided by the first mentioned commissioners; and also to review, hear additional testimony, and make new decisions in all such claims which, having been decided by the first mentioned commissioners, may be brought before them by the aggrieved parties by way of appeal.

Resolved, That the governor be requested to transmit a copy of these resolutions to each of our senators and representatives in Congress.

CHARLES D. SHERWOOD,

President of the Senate.

THOMAS H. ARMSTRONG,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Approved January twenty-seventh, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.
S. MILLER.

STATE OF MINNESOTA,

Office of the Secretary of State, ss :

I certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of the original on file in this office.

[SEAL.] Witness my hand, and the great seal of the State, this 30th day of January, A. D. 1865.

D. BLAKELY,
Secretary of State.

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