MEMORIAL

OF

THE LEGISLATURE OF MINNESOTA,

IN FAVOR OF

The erection of a line of military posts from Fort Abercrombie, in Dakota Territory, to Bannock City, in Idaho Territory.

FEBRUARY 19, 1864.—Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs and the Militia and ordered to be printed.

To the Honorable the Scnate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled:

Your memorialists, the legislature of the State of Minnesota, would respect-

fully represent:

That the location of a line of military posts, commencing at Fort Abercrombie, in Dakota Territory, or Fort Ridgley, or some feasible point between the two as may be named by the proper department, and extending to Bannock City, in Idaho Territory, would in a great measure deter those war bands of Bioux Indians from roaming over that wide and fertile region of country, and give safety to the thousands of emigrants that will be on their way to the rich gold fields of that young and flourishing Territory, Idaho, and at the same time serve as a base for military operations against the roaming bands of savages that infest that region of country. By some immediate action by your honorable body, it would encourage the emigration and settlement of these new and vigorous Territories. For the immediate action on the part of Congress, your memorialists will ever pray.

JARED BENSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
CHARLES D. SHERWOOD,
President of the Senate.

Approved February first, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four.

STEPHEN MILLER.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE, St. Paul, February 11, 1864.

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

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D. BLAKELY,

Secretary of State.