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No. 13, 1931.

JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to the conclusion of a treaty with Canada for the Great Lakes—St. Lawrence Waterway.

WHEREAS, There is absolute unanimity in this state, as often expressed by the legislature, that the Great Lakes—St. Lawrence Waterway is a vital need not only to Wisconsin but to the entire middle west, as it would result in a large reduction in freight rates upon agricultural and manufactured products, to the benefit of all farmers and industries of this section of the country; and

WHEREAS, This project would give employment to many thousands of the unemployed workmen of the country and thereby aid very materially in economic recovery; and

WHEREAS, This important project now appears to be very near realization, as it has been announced that the United States government has begun negotiations with the government of Canada for a treaty governing the construction of this waterway; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the legislature of Wisconsin respectfully memorializes the President of the United States to expedite the arrangements with Canada for the conclusion of a treaty under which the Great Lakes—St. Lawrence Waterway may become a reality; and also memorializes the Congress of the United States and especially the Wisconsin senators and members of Congress to promptly ratify any treaty which may be submitted for this purpose and to enact the necessary legislation for the beginning of actual construction. Be it further

Resolved, That properly attested copies of this resolution shall be transmitted to the President of the United States, to both houses of the Congress of the United States, and to each Wisconsin member thereof.