

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1.

WHEREAS since the meeting of the last legislature the Honorable Michael Griffin, a former member of Assembly and a Senator of the Wisconsin Legislature, died at his home in Eau Claire on the twenty-ninth day of December, 1899, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, that in the death of this eminent citizen Wisconsin has lost one of her noblest sons who served the state and nation in every public trust committed to his care with unusual zeal, ability and usefulness. His devotion to the cause of his country was patriotic and steadfast both in time of war and peace. The fearless soldier of Vicksburg and Atlanta and on the march to the sea became in after years the able lawyer, brilliant orator, ready parliamentarian and useful statesman whose career constitutes an important part in the history of the state. The manly qualities and solid attainments of General Griffin with his genial and attractive personality won for him the esteem and confidence of the people, and it is fitting that the legislature should record its appreciation of his character and services.

RESOLVED that we tender to the bereaved family of this honored citizen our most earnest expressions of sympathy with the assurance that the people of Wisconsin mourn, with them, the loss of one universally loved and respected.

RESOLVED that a copy of these resolutions, signed by the presiding officers and clerks of both Houses be presented to the widow of General Griffin.

[No. 25, S.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2.

Agreeing to a proposed amendment to article XI of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin, giving the legislature power to pass a general banking law.

WHEREAS, at the biennial session of the legislature of the state of Wisconsin for the year 1899, a joint resolution was passed

proposing an amendment to article XI of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin, giving the legislature power to pass a general banking law, which was agreed to by a majority of the members elected to each of the two houses, and approved April twentieth, 1899, which proposed amendment was in the following language: "Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, that article XI of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin be and is hereby amended, by substituting for sections 4 and 5 thereof, a new section to be known as section 4 and reading as follows: Section 4. The legislature shall have power to enact a general banking law for the creation of banks, and for the regulation and supervision of the banking business, provided that the vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, to be taken by the yeas and nays, be in favor of the passing of such law."

RESOLVED, by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, that the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution of the state of Wisconsin be, and the same hereby is, agreed to by this legislature.

No. 24, S.

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3.

Agreeing to constitutional amendment.

WHEREAS, at the biennial session of the legislature for the year 1899, an amendment to the constitution was proposed and agreed to by a majority of the members elected to each of the two houses, which proposed amendment was in the following language: "Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, that section 1 of article X of the constitution of the state of Wisconsin be amended so as to read as follows: Section 1. The supervision of public instruction shall be vested in a state superintendent and such other officer as the legislature shall direct; and their qualifications, powers, duties and compensation shall be prescribed by law. The state superintendent shall be chosen by the qualified electors of the state at the same time and in the same manner as members of the supreme court, and shall hold his office for four years from the succeeding first Monday in July. The state superintendent chosen at the general election in November, 1902, shall hold and continue in his office