

He was first elected a member of the assembly in 1894, and for ten years was one of the leading members of that body. He was chosen speaker at the session of 1899 and again in 1901, the second time without opposition.

As a legislator he brought to his work unusual intelligence and industry and a high sense of responsibility. As a presiding officer he was able, dignified and impartial.

In recognition of his character as a citizen and of his services to the state, be it

*Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring,* That this memorial be entered upon the journals of the two houses, and that an engrossed copy thereof be forwarded to his family.

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[No. 129, A.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 27.

Relating to the apportionment, and providing for the appointment of a joint committee of the legislature on apportionment.

WHEREAS, Section 3, article IV, of the constitution, provides that at their first session after each enumeration made by the authority of the United States, the legislature shall apportion and district anew the members of the senate and assembly, and

WHEREAS, The apportioning and districting anew of representatives from this state in the congress of the United States devolves on this legislature, and

WHEREAS, The enumeration of the inhabitants of this state, to-wit, the census of 1910, has been had. Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring,* That a joint committee on apportionment, consisting of five members of the senate and eleven members of the assembly, be appointed by the presiding officer, of each of said houses to consider the apportioning and districting anew of the members of the senate and assembly, and of the representatives from this state in the congress of the United States, and to make its recommendations to the legislature.

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[No. 15, S.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 28.

Relating to national constitutional convention.

*Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring,*

SECTION 1. That the Legislature of the State of Wisconsin, in accordance with the provisions of article V of the Constitution of the United States, desires to join with the other States of the Union, and respectfully request that a convention of the several

States be called for the purpose of proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States, and hereby apply to and request the Congress of the United States to call such convention, and to provide for the submitting to the several States the amendments so proposed for ratification by the Legislatures thereof, or by convention therein, as one or the other mode of ratification may be proposed by the Congress.

SECTION 2. That the Secretary of State is hereby directed to transmit certified copies of this joint resolution and application to both houses of the United States Congress, to the Governor of each State in the Union, to the honorable Representatives and Senators in Congress from Wisconsin, who are hereby requested and urged to aid by their influence and vote, to the end that the provision of section 1 of this joint resolution be carried out.

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[No. 42, S.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 29.

Memorializing Congress to take proper steps for the adoption of an amendment to the federal Constitution providing that such Constitution may hereafter be amended by the initiative.

WHEREAS, The Constitution of the United States should be rendered somewhat flexible in order to meet changing political and economic conditions, and

WHEREAS, The amendment of such constitution by the initiative is a method founded upon thoroughly democratic and American principles, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring,* That we respectfully memorialize the Congress of the United States promptly to take such steps as will result in the adoption of an amendment to the federal Constitution providing that such Constitution may hereafter be amended by the initiative; and be it further

*Resolved,* That a copy of the foregoing be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of State to the President of the United States, the President of the Senate of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and to each of the senators and representatives from this state.