

NUMBER 4.

JOINT RESOLUTION ratifying proposed constitutional amendment prohibiting counties, towns, villages, etc., from becoming indebted for any purpose to an amount exceeding five percent. of the value of taxable property.

WHEREAS, The legislature of this state at its annual session for the year 1872, proposed and adopted by a vote of the majority of the members elected to each of the two houses, an amendment to the constitution of this state, in the following language:

“Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That section three (3) of article eleven (11) of the constitution of this state be amended by adding at the end of said section the following words: No county, city, town, village, school district or other municipal corporation shall be allowed to become indebted in any manner, or for any purpose, to any amount including existing indebtedness, in the aggregate exceeding five per centum on the value of the taxable property therein, to be ascertained by the last assessment for state and county taxes previous to the incurring of such indebtedness. Any county, city, town, village, school district, or other municipal corporation incurring any indebtedness, as aforesaid, shall before or at the time of doing so, provide for the collection of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the interest on such debt as it falls due, and also to pay and discharge the principal thereof, within twenty years from the time of contracting the same.”

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the foregoing amendment to the constitution be, and the same is hereby agreed to by this legislature.

Approved March 18, 1873.

 NUMBER 5.

JOINT RESOLUTION requesting the governor to inquire into subject of removing the remains of the late Alexander W. Randall to this state.

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the people of Wisconsin affectionately cherish the memory of the late Alexander W. Randall, governor of the state during four of the most trying years of its existence; that his patriotism, his energy and fidelity in the public service, his brilliant qualities of intellect and stainless integrity, placed him among the foremost citizens of our state, and made his name a shining one in our history; and that such honors and mementoes as mankind bestow upon their benefactors and heroes are due to him from the citizens of the state.