

# RESOLVES

PASSED BY THE

## Legislative Assembly.

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Resolutions in relation to the business of the Legislature.

Chap. 1.

*Resolved by the Senate and Assembly,* That the revision and compilation of the laws be completed at the present session of the legislature.

That the commissioners appointed to revise the laws, be requested to complete the revision of that portion of the Statutes which they had intended to report upon at the present session, and that they report the same to the legislature as soon as convenient.

That said commissioners be requested immediately after making such report, to collate and arrange all the general laws now in force in this state, which have not been revised, and to suggest such amendments as may occur to them to be necessary.

That immediately upon the close of the present session, one of said commissioners, to be designated by them, be requested to superintend the printing, in book form, of all the general laws of this state, compare the proof sheets thereof, and make a full and complete index thereto.

That inasmuch as the revision and compilation of the laws is by far the most important work of the present session, the senate and assembly do devote the whole of the forenoon of each day, after the reading of the journal, to the consideration of the same, whenever any portion of it shall be in readiness to be acted upon, and that the general orders of the day be postponed to the afternoon session.

That the joint committee to whom was referred the reports of the revisers, be authorized to absent themselves from the afternoon sessions, and that they be requested to bring the work of the revisers before the legislature as speedily as possible.

That the work of the revisers be acted upon in chapters, as reported by them, and that the same be passed through the ordinary steps of legislation, and be placed in the hands of the enrolling

committees, but that said committee shall not present the same to the governor for his signature, until the whole shall have passed.

HARRISON C. HOBART,  
*Speaker of the Assembly.*  
WM. M. DENNIS,  
*President of the Senate, pro tem.*

Approved, February 6, 1849.

NELSON DEWEY.

Chap. 2.

Resolutions relative to Slavery and the Slave trade.

*Resolved by the Senate and Assembly of the State of Wisconsin,* That our senators in congress be, any they are hereby instructed, and our representatives requested :

*First,* To oppose the passage of any act for the government of New Mexico and California, or any territory now belonging to the United States, or which may hereafter be acquired, unless it shall contain a provision forever prohibiting the introduction of slavery or involuntary servitude into said territories, except as a punishment for crimes.

*Second,* To oppose the admission of any more slave states into the Federal Union.

*Third,* To exert their influence to procure the repeal of all laws sustaining slavery and the slave trade in the District of Columbia, or in any other place under the control of the national government, and to secure the passage of laws prohibiting slavery and the slave trade in all places under the exclusive jurisdiction of the federal government.

*Resolved,* That his excellency, the governor, is hereby requested immediately to forward a copy of the foregoing resolutions to each of our senators and representatives in congress, to be by them laid before congress.

HARRISON C. HOBART,  
*Speaker of the Assembly.*  
JOHN E. HOLMES,

*Lt. Governor and President of the Senate.*

Adopted by the legislature, February 8, 1849.

NELSON DEWEY.

Chap. 3.

Joint Resolutions relative to Seals.

*Resolved,* (the senate concurring) That a select committee of two from the assembly and one from the senate be appointed to examine the several seals which have been engraved and delivered to the secretary of state, in pursuance of a joint resolution relative to seals, approved August 12, 1848, and if said seals be approved by said committee, the secretary of state be, and he is hereby di-