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## JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to contemplated abandonment of the line of the Duluth, South Shore and Atlantic Railway Company from Superior to Marengo.

WHEREAS, The officials of the Duluth, South Shore and Atlantic Railway Company have filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission and the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin a petition seeking the right to abandon their line, both service and trackage between Marengo, Wisconsin, and Superior, Wisconsin, a distance of 73.52 miles; and

WHEREAS, This abandonment, if permitted, would leave the villages of Sanborn, Altamont, Sutherland, Pike River, Cusson, Eliot, Wills, Winneboujou, Lake Nebagamon, Dobie, Middle River, Rockmont, and South Range without any railroad service whatever; and

WHEREAS, Nearly all of these places are off state trunk highways, and none of them have any regular bus or motor truck service, and the abandonment of railroad service would thus completely isolate them; and

WHEREAS, The predecessors of this company received a land grant of 1,800,000 acres for the construction of this line, nearly one million acres of which were in Wisconsin, and the company itself for many years derived very large revenues from this line, which passed through one of the finest stands of pine timber in this state; and

WHEREAS, This abandonment, if authorized, would throw all employes now operating in this territory out of work, at a time when the national administration is urging not only that no more employes be thrown out of work, but that employes be taken back into service as fast as possible; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring,* That this Legislature urges the Public Service Commission to deny this application and to use every reasonable effort to get the Interstate Commerce Commission to do likewise. Be it further

*Resolved,* That properly attested copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin and to the Interstate Commerce Commission.