

## JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

### No. 9, S.

JOINT RESOLUTION amending sections numbers 4, 5, 11, and 21, article 4 of the constitution of the State of Wisconsin.

*Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring,* That section 4 of article 4 of the constitution of this state, be amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 4. The members of the assembly shall be chosen biennially, by single districts on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday of November, after the adoption of this amendment, by the qualified electors of the several districts, such districts to be bounded by county, precinct, town or ward lines, to consist of contiguous territory, and be in as compact form as practicable. That section 5 of article 4 of the constitution of this state, be amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 5. The senators shall be elected by single districts of convenient contiguous territory, at the same time and in the same manner as members of the assembly are required to be chosen; and no assembly district shall be divided in the formation of a senate district. The senate district shall be numbered in the regular series, and the senators shall be chosen alternately from the odd and even numbered districts. The senators elected or holding over at the time of the adoption of this amendment shall continue in office till their successors are duly elected and qualified; and after the adoption of this amendment all senators shall be chosen for the term of four years. That section 11 of article 4 of the constitution of this state be amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 11. The legislature shall meet at the seat of government at such time as shall be provided by law once in two years and no oftener, unless convened by the governor in special session, and when so convened no business shall be transacted except as shall be necessary to accomplish the special purposes for which it was convened. That section 21 of article 4 of the constitution of this state be amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 21. Each member of the legislature shall receive for his services for and during a regular session, the sum of five hundred dollars, and ten cents for every mile he shall travel in going to and returning from the place of meeting of the legislature on the most usual route. In case of an extra session of the legislature, no additional compensation shall be allowed to any member thereof, either directly or indirectly, except for mileage, to be

computed at the same rate as for a regular session. No stationery, newspapers, postage or other perquisite except the salary and mileage above provided shall be received from the state by any member of the legislature for his services, or in any other manner, as such member.

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No. 12, A.

JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to section 1 of article 3 of the constitution of Wisconsin relating to suffrage.

*Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring,* That section 1 of article 3 of the constitution of Wisconsin, be amended so as to read as follows:

SECTION 1. Every person of the age of twenty-one years or upwards, belonging to either of the following classes who shall have resided in this state for one year, and in the town, ward, or election precinct for ten days next preceding any election, shall be deemed a qualified elector at such election.

1. Citizens of the United States.

2. Persons of foreign birth who shall have declared their intentions to become citizens conformably to the laws of the United States on the subject of naturalization, and the wives or widows of such persons.

3. Persons of Indian blood who have once been declared by law of congress to be citizens of the United States, any subsequent law of congress to the contrary notwithstanding.

4. Civilized persons of Indian descent not members of any tribe: *provided*, that the legislature may at any time extend by law the right of suffrage to persons not herein enumerated, but no such law shall be in force until the same shall have been submitted to a vote of the people at a general election and approved by a majority of all the votes cast at such election.

5. The legislature may prescribe appropriate rules and regulations for determining the qualifications of electors under this article and to prevent abuse of the elective franchise.

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CERTIFICATE.

STATE OF WISCONSIN, }  
 DEPARTMENT OF STATE. } ss.

I, HANS B. WARNER, Secretary of State, of the state of Wisconsin, do hereby certify, that the foregoing printed copies of laws and joint resolutions have been compared by me with the original enrolled acts and joint resolutions deposited in this office, and that they appear correctly printed.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the lesser seal of the state, at the capitol, in the city of  
 [L. s.] Madison, this fourth day of May, A. D. 1880.

HANS B. WARNER, Secretary of State.