

*Resolved*, That a duly authenticated copy of this resolution be transmitted to the federal trade commission.

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[Jt. Res. No. 26, S.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 33, S.

On the part of the several states of the union, requesting the congress of the United States to call a convention for the purpose of proposing an amendment to the United States constitution for the purpose of further strengthening the 10th Amendment to said instrument to further safeguard the self-governing power of the states, and to more specifically define the powers of the federal government so as to restore to the people the rights of home rule as originally intended by the federal constitution.

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WHEREAS, The national government of the United States has during the past several years assumed the exercise of powers both by legislative enactment, executive order, and even subordinate department order, the latter orders assuming the sanction of law, all of which assumption of power on the part of the said national government and its agencies is destroying the self-governing rights of the people of the several states, and striking at the foundation of the fundamental principles on which the republic was established. The assumption of said powers to a great degree were justified as in time of war, but the continued application of the same principles as to peace conditions, are unauthorized and unwarranted. The states have lost control of the regulation of railroads and the rates to be charged thereon on lines within their borders, and such regulation has been assumed by a national body which arbitrarily enforces its decrees. The national government is constantly seeking by the method of national bonuses to the several states, and by other similar methods to undermine the self-governing rights of the states and make the national government supreme, even as to the minor details of regulation.

The foregoing is only a few of the many instances in which the underlying principles on which the republic was founded are being cast aside, and the flag of national domination has been raised as a standard, in place of the self reliant flag of home rule. The present policy contemplates no longer that the people should uphold the national government, but that the national government

should uphold the people. The inspiration of a great nation no longer comes from the ranks of the people, but rather issues from the top by national edict. Federal officials are found in every quarter of the land whose duties have heretofore been unheard of. The people are no longer controlling the government, but the government is controlling the people. The elasticity of the republic by which the features adapted, to each state and each locality, is being slowly and surely destroyed. The day of awakening has arrived and the growing power of the national government must be further curtailed by specific constitutional amendment clearly defining the powers of congress, and reserving all other powers to the several states of the union, and to the people as is contemplated in the 10th Amendment to the organic law of the republic. Therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring,* That the Wisconsin legislature call upon the legislatures of the several states of the union to apply to the congress of the United States, requesting that body to call a convention for the purpose of proposing such amendment or amendments, having for it, or their, purpose the preservation of the self-governing rights of the states, and the principles of home rule for the people thereof, and to restore to the states and to the people certain rights now exercised by the national government and the several departments thereof, contrary to the intent of the federal constitution. Be it

*Resolved further,* That a copy of these resolutions properly attested by the presiding officer of both houses be transmitted to the governor of each of the several states of the union, with the request that the same be transmitted to the legislatures of the several states now in session, and to such sessions of said legislatures which may hereafter be convened.

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[Jt. Res. No. 47, A.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 34, A.

Relating to the appointment of a special legislative committee to investigate and report on a certain proposed state park.

WHEREAS, The Indian mounds, covering about twenty-two acres of land in the town of Aztalan, Jefferson county, are of state and national interest because of their ancient historic value; and

WHEREAS, The purchase of this land for a state park would re-