

erson county. The funds to be used for such acquisition shall be taken from the funds appropriated for park purposes.

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JOINT RESOLUTION

Memorializing the Congress to enact legislation to maintain constant water levels in the Mississippi river.

WHEREAS, A constant and stable water level in the Upper Mississippi river is highly desirable and of vital importance in the interest of agriculture, forestation, wildlife, recreation and sanitation in Wisconsin, and

WHEREAS, The United States War department is by federal law restricted to operation and administration of the nine-foot channel dam pools in said river solely in the interest of navigation and flood control with resultant winter and other periodic drawdowns, and

WHEREAS, Such drawdowns have caused lowering of lakes and marshland and taxed the subsurface moisture of the state, causing undue damage to agriculture, forestation, wildlife and recreation values, and further, causing extreme aggravation to many communities in their efforts to maintain necessary sanitation standards, and

WHEREAS, These periodic drawdowns are very detrimental to the fish and wildlife resources and recreational values, which the federal government has recognized and sought to perpetuate by creating and maintaining the Upper Mississippi River Fish and Wild Life refuge; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, That this legislature respectfully memorialize the Congress of the United States to give proper and due recognition to these valuable assets by enacting legislation amending the present act governing operation of said dam pools in such manner as will give the same position to agriculture, forestation, wildlife, recreation and sanitation as is now given by law to navigation and flood control. Be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to each Wisconsin member of Congress.