

- 1 SEC. 4. This resolution being deemed of immediate importance
 2 shall be in full force and effect from and after its publication in the
 3 Anthon Herald, a newspaper published at Anthon, Iowa, and in the
 4 Nonpareil, a newspaper published at Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Approved February 3, 1949.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Anthon Herald, February 9, 1949, and the Nonpareil, February 8, 1949.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 315

FRANK A. GOTCH STATE PARK

H. J. R. 9

A JOINT RESOLUTION relating to the naming of certain land belonging to the state of Iowa.

WHEREAS, the state of Iowa acquired in 1942, and is in possession of, the following described tract of land; all of Government Lot 8; and all that part of Government Lot 7; and all that part of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section 19, township 91, range 28, west of the fifth P. M. in Humboldt County, Iowa; said tract being more specifically described as located in Beaver township, Humboldt County, Iowa, at the confluence of the east branch of the Des Moines river and the west branch of the Des Moines river, and comprises approximately seventy-six (76) acres, and

WHEREAS, this tract of land is historically known as the Upper Forks of the Des Moines river, and

WHEREAS, in 1825 french* traders were granted a government permit to set up a post known as "Fort Confederation" upon this tract of land for the purpose of trading with the Yanktown Sioux Indians; thus this post or fort was one of the three earliest government trading posts established in Iowa. It was the scene of many indian* battles and is of special state historical significance, and

WHEREAS, this land or park was the favorite summer vacation spot for the late Senator Jonathan P. Dolliver who loved to here relax and fish, and

WHEREAS, at the close of the Civil War, Frederick Gotch established a homestead just across the river from this state land, and there on this farm in 1877 Frank A. Gotch was born, and in 1911 became the champion wrestler of the world; in his boyhood and young manhood this park was his favorite fishing and hunting ground. Gotch's name and fame were not only national but international. His life was one of high ideals, and a worthy example for all of the people of the state of Iowa. He was a true sportsman, fisherman, hunter and conservationist of wild life, and

WHEREAS, he lived in Humboldt county, state of Iowa, all of his life, died there in 1917 and his beautiful mausoleum in Union Cemetery in

*According to the enrolled Act.

Humboldt is annually visited by hundreds of people from every state in the Union, the state of Iowa should be proud to perpetuate his memory by the naming of this park in his honor, and Humboldt county at its own cost will erect a suitable plaque in this park in his memory, and also erect other appropriate historical markers of interest.

NOW THEREFORE

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. That certain land acquired by the state of Iowa in
2 1942 and presently used for state park purposes and described as all
3 of government Lot 8; and that part of lot seven (7) and all that part
4 of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section nineteen
5 (19), township ninety-one (91), range twenty-eight (28) west of the
6 fifth prime meridian in Humboldt County, Iowa, is hereby designated
7 as Frank A. Gotch State Park as a memorial in commemoration of
8 the name, deeds and fame of Frank A. Gotch.

1 SEC. 2. That the said Iowa state conservation commission shall
2 file with the secretary of state a description of the said park property
3 and a plat thereof so designating said park as the Frank A. Gotch
4 State Park.

1 SEC. 3. That the said Iowa state conservation commission shall
2 so record the name of said park, as herein described, upon their rec-
3 ords and said name shall hereafter be the official name and title of
4 the said herein described park.

1 SEC. 4. That the said Humboldt county, Iowa, at its own cost shall
2 erect a suitable plaque in this park in his memory, and other ap-
3 propriate historical markers.

Approved April 15, 1949.

CHAPTER 316

COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS

H. J. R. 10

A JOINT RESOLUTION to invite the midwest regional conference of the council of state governments to meet in Iowa during the biennium.

WHEREAS, in the Forty-ninth General Assembly, House Concurrent Resolution Eighteen (18) was adopted providing for a Senate and House committee on interstate government and further provided for by the Fifty-first and Fifty-second General Assemblies; and,

WHEREAS, these committees have been in attendance at various Midwest Regional Conferences of the Council of State Governments made up of committees of interstate cooperation of fourteen (14) midwestern states; and,

WHEREAS, Iowa has never been host to such a conference and because of its strategic central location and its natural beauty and resources, the