## **JOINT RESOLUTIONS** AND RULES OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

CHAPTER 310

R.E.A. LOANS

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A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing to the President of the United States, Richard M. Nixon, United States Secretary of Agriculture, Earl Butz, and members of the Iowa congressional delegation, that the funds being withheld for the rural environmental assistance program (ASCS), the rural electrification administration loan programs (REA), and the rural emergency loans program (FHA) be released.

Whereas, soil conservation cost sharing programs have been successful for the past thirty-six years in assisting the people of Iowa, and this nation, in establishing soil conservation practices on their lands, protecting water resources, preventing floods, creating recreational areas and maintaining a productive agricultural base for future generations; and

WHEREAS, the Rural Electrification Administration Loan Programs have provided the people of Iowa an economic energy source for the comfort and welfare of its citizens and the development of a strong agricultural state; and

WHEREAS, the Rural Emergency Loans Program has provided financial assistance to farmers and rural home owners in times of disaster; and

Whereas, the United States Department of Agriculture has announced that no future funds would be released for the Rural Environmental Assistance Program or the future funding of loans through the Rural Electrification Administration for the use of Rural Electric Cooperatives and the curtailment of Rural Emergency Loans Program; and

Whereas, all of these programs have provided for the economic betterment, comfort and welfare of the citizens of Iowa, and have been catalysts in Iowa's growth, Now Therefore,

## Be It Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- That the people of Iowa have benefited from the Rural Environ-2 mental Assistance Program, the Rural Electrification Administration
- Loan Programs, and the Rural Emergency Loans Program, and desire 3
- to continue to participate in these programs under such terms and conditions as may be reasonable and therefore respectfully request President Richard M. Nixon to release the funds for these programs at the 4
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- 6 earliest opportunity.