

## NO. 7.

**PREAMBLE AND RESOLUTIONS** on the subject of procuring from congress a compensation to the citizens of the United States, residing in Iowa, for their services and expenses in defending the southern border of the territory.

Whereas, in the fall and winter of 1839, an unjust claim was made by the governor of Missouri to a portion of the territory of the United States lying within the limits of Iowa:

And whereas, the marshal of Iowa, acting under the authority of the United States, and in pursuance of advice by the governor and district attorney of Iowa, and governed by a high sense of duty to the government of the United States, called for an armed posse to preserve the peace, and to resist the unlawful exercise of authority by the officers and citizens of an adjoining state, within the well known limits of Iowa:

And whereas, an armed posse, to the number of several hundred of the citizens of the United States, residing within the territory of Iowa, being prompted to obey a high sense of patriotic duty, and of their allegiance to the government of the United States, and in obedience to a call of the marshal of Iowa, marched in an inclement season, surmounting many difficulties, and at much personal inconvenience, to a distant border:

And whereas, an account of this service, and of some of those expenses, were taken in the summer of 1840, by Lieut. Ruggles, an officer of the United States, and by authority of the government thereof:

And whereas, the congress of the United States have hitherto made no appropriation for the payment of said services and expenses: therefore,

[164] *Resolved by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Iowa.*

That the Hon. A. C. Dodge, our delegate in congress for the territory, be respectfully requested earnestly to press upon the consideration of congress the justice of the claims of the citizens of the United States residing in this territory, for said services and expenses; and to ask an appropriation in money from the treasury, for the payment thereof, with interest.

Resolved, that the Hon. Augustus C. Dodge, be respectfully requested to urge upon the consideration of congress, an appropriation of money from the treasury, to pay the then marshal of Iowa his just account for his services and expenses in preserving the peace, and protecting the southern border of Iowa in the fall and winter of 1839.

Resolved, that his excellency, the governor of Iowa, be respectfully requested to address a copy of this preamble and these resolutions to our delegate in congress.

Approved, 6th February, 1844.

## NO. 8.

**JOINT RESOLUTION** for the establishment of certain Post Routes.

*Resolved, by the Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Iowa,*

That the Hon. A. C. Dodge, our delegate in congress, be and he is hereby requested to use his best exertions to obtain the establishment of the following weekly mail routes in this territory, to wit: from Washington, in Washington county, to Keokuk court house; thence to Mahaska court house; also, from Brighton, in Washington county, to Richland, in Keokuk county; thence