

RESOLUTION No. 35.

COLONIZATION.

JOINT RESOLUTION on the subject of African Colonization.

- Preamble.** *Whereas*, the American Colonization Society is now struggling with serious difficulty, in the accomplishment of their well-known benevolent object—the civilization and christianization of Africa, and building up a home for the colored population of the United States—in consequence of the irregular and meagre facilities for transportation between the coast of Africa and the United States:
- Commence.** *And whereas*, the opening commerce of Liberia, and the other colonies on the coast of Africa, are now inviting our attention as a source of profit:
- Slave Trade.** *And whereas*, notwithstanding the stringent laws now in existence in the United States against the slave trade, are, to a very great extent powerless, in consequence of the inability of the colonies on the African coast to protect themselves—therefore, be it
- Instructions to our delegation in Congress.** *Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Iowa*, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives requested, to use their influence to procure the immediate establishment of a regular line of steamers, to be employed in the trade between the coast of Africa and the United States.
- Copies** *Resolved*, That a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions be furnished to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

APPROVED January 24th, 1855.