

18 operation of the government of the United States, and the benefit of
 19 all present and future allotments of federal funds in aid of highway
 20 construction, reconstruction, improvement or maintenance that may
 21 be available for utilization to pay or partly pay the cost of the com-
 22 mittee and its functions. The committee and the highway commission
 23 are authorized and empowered subject to the approval of the budget
 24 and financial control committee to pledge and make available and ex-
 25 pend sufficient funds as may be required to equal the total of any sums
 26 apportioned and granted to the state for highway purposes by the
 27 United States government which may be utilized as provided above.

1 SEC. 9. No member of this committee shall be a member of the
 2 budget and financial control committee.

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CHAPTER 427

CIVIL WAR CENTENNIAL

H. J. R. 17

A JOINT RESOLUTION creating a special committee to establish, plan for, and conduct appropriate programs in connection with the approaching centennial of the many important events of the Civil War, and to make an appropriation therefor.

WHEREAS, the Civil War was the greatest test our country ever faced, built of the heroism and endurance that were drawn from men and women of both sections by devotion to principles valued more than life itself, and the loss, the gain, and the experience itself are a common national possession, and

WHEREAS, more Iowans gave their lives to their country in that conflict than in both World Wars, the Korean War and the Spanish-American War combined, and

WHEREAS, more than 76,000 citizens of Iowa served in the Union forces during that conflict out of a population of 674,000, and 13,000 of them made the supreme sacrifice for their convictions, and

WHEREAS, a National Commission has been established to plan for and conduct appropriate programs in connection with the approaching Centennial of the many important events of the Civil War, and

WHEREAS, many States of the Union have established agencies to conduct such programs, and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States has appropriated \$100,000 annually, the State of Virginia \$25,000 annually, and other states have made comparable appropriations for this purpose,

NOW THEREFORE,

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

1 SECTION 1. A special committee of eleven members is hereby cre-
 2 ated. Said committee shall consist of two members of the Senate of

3 the General Assembly to be appointed by the President of the Senate,
4 two members of the House of Representatives of the General Assembly
5 to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, six
6 members appointed by the Governor on the basis of their known inter-
7 est in the history of Iowa's role in the Civil War, and one member of
8 the State Department of History and Archives appointed by the Cura-
9 tor of that department. Any vacancy in the membership of the com-
10 mittee shall be filled by appointment in the same manner, from the
11 same group, and by the same officials as the original appointment. The
12 members of the committee shall elect a chairman from their own num-
13 ber and adopt rules for the conduct of their proceedings and may
14 employ and fix the compensation of a secretary.

1 SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the committee to make a compre-
2 hensive inquiry into Iowa's role in the Civil War and to establish,
3 plan for, and conduct appropriate programs in connection with the
4 Centennial of the many important events thereof.

1 SEC. 3. The committee shall have the co-operation of all depart-
2 ments of the state government and is authorized to call upon any de-
3 partment of the state government in obtaining information, exhibits,
4 or speakers in connection with its duties.

1 SEC. 4. The committee shall have authority to confer with public
2 officials of the several political subdivisions of the state and with the
3 various military, social, service and fraternal orders recognized by the
4 statutes and co-operate in the planning and performance of appropri-
5 ate programs, special-observance ceremonies and memorials in con-
6 nection with the said Centennial of the Civil War.

1 SEC. 5. The committee shall have authority to accept gifts and
2 donations of money, displays, and services and to use same in further-
3 ance of the Centennial program.

1 SEC. 6. All members of the committee shall be reimbursed for nec-
2 essary and actual expenses incurred by them in connection with the
3 performance of their duties. The executive council shall provide the
4 committee with the necessary office, supplies, and equipment for the
5 conduct of its meetings.

1 SEC. 7. The expenses of committee members, the compensation of
2 its secretary, and other expenses of the committee incurred in the per-
3 formance of the duties herein imposed not to exceed five thousand
4 (5,000) dollars, shall be paid by the state comptroller out of the general
5 fund of the state. The sum of five thousand (5,000) dollars is hereby
6 appropriated out of the general fund for the purposes herein contem-
7 plated.

8 The chairman of the committee shall certify the expenses of the
9 committee as herein provided to the state comptroller who shall issue
10 warrants for same from the funds herein appropriated.

1 SEC. 8. The committee shall enter upon its duties as soon as its
2 membership is appointed. It shall make a report of its activities to
3 date to the Governor on or about November 15, 1960, in order that he
4 may make mention thereof in his message to the 59th General As-
5 sembly. It shall make a further report of its activities to the Gov-

6 ernor on or about November 15, 1962, in order that he may make
7 mention thereof in his message to the 60th General Assembly. It shall
8 make a further report of its activities to the Governor on or about
9 November 15, 1964, in order that he may make mention thereof in his
10 message to the 61st General Assembly. The committee shall continue
11 to function throughout the regular session of the 61st General Assem-
12 bly and shall terminate at the adjournment of said session. For pur-
13 poses of the program of the committee, the Civil War shall be con-
14 sidered as commencing with the firing upon Fort Sumter and ending
15 six days after Lee's surrender at Appomattox.

Approved April 24, 1959.

CHAPTER 428

CAPITOL GROUNDS EXTENSION

H. J. R. 23

A JOINT RESOLUTION providing for the exercise and acceptance of certain options to purchase by the state of Iowa certain parcels of real estate situated in Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa, from certain described vendors, and for the acquisition of certain other described property by purchase or condemnation, and improving the described properties by excavation, grading and paving, and providing funds for the payment thereof.

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

1 SECTION 1. (a) That the executive council of the state of Iowa
2 be and is hereby authorized to exercise in the name of the state of
3 Iowa an option granted to the state of Iowa dated January 19, 1959,
4 by Glenn Signs and Katherine Signs to purchase the following de-
5 scribed property situated in the city of Des Moines, county of Polk,
6 and state of Iowa, to-wit: Lot seven (7) (except the north ninety-
7 seven (97) feet), block six (6), W. A. Scott's Addition, now included
8 in and forming a part of the city of Des Moines, Iowa, at and for the
9 sum of nine thousand five hundred dollars (\$9,500.00), and to give
10 notice of the exercise of said option by registered mail to the fore-
11 going named vendors at their residence, 222 East 13th Street, Des
12 Moines, Iowa.

13 (b) That the executive council of the state of Iowa be and is here-
14 by authorized to exercise in the name of the state of Iowa an option
15 granted to the state of Iowa dated January 19, 1959, by Venus A.
16 Donahue to purchase the following described property situated in the
17 city of Des Moines, county of Polk, and state of Iowa, to-wit: Lot
18 seven (7), north ninety-seven (97) feet, block six (6), W. A. Scott's
19 Addition, now included in and forming a part of the city of Des
20 Moines, Iowa, at and for the sum of twelve thousand five hundred
21 dollars (\$12,500.00), and to give notice of the exercise of said option
22 by registered mail to the foregoing named vendor at her residence,
23 226 East 13th Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

24 (c) That the executive council of the state of Iowa be and is here-
25 by authorized to exercise in the name of the state of Iowa an option
26 granted to the state of Iowa dated January 24, 1959, by Arno Wheeler
27 and Genevieve Wheeler to purchase the following described property