

Sec. 2. The foregoing proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Iowa is referred to the General Assembly to be chosen at the next general election for members of the General Assembly and the Secretary of State is directed to cause it to be published for three consecutive months before the date of the election as provided by law.

CHAPTER 185

ETHANOL FUEL INDUSTRY

H.J.R. 5

A JOINT RESOLUTION to request that the President of the United States, the Office of Management and Budget, the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, and the Congress of the United States support the ethanol fuel industry by ensuring the continued development of the renewable fuel.

WHEREAS, in 1990 the United States Congress enacted and the President of the United States signed into law Pub. L. No. 101-549, including major amendments to the federal Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq., which represents a landmark effort to protect this nation's atmosphere from contamination by hazardous pollutants in part caused by vehicle emissions; and

WHEREAS, the United States Environmental Protection Agency in implementing amendments to the federal Clean Air Act has conducted tests of oxygenates including organic and petroleum-based products for purposes of establishing standards for reformulating motor vehicle fuel used in nonattainment areas designated in the United States; and

WHEREAS, based on these tests, the United States Environmental Protection Agency has found that ethanol-blended motor vehicle fuel satisfies the requirements of the federal Clean Air Act; and

WHEREAS, this nation is dependent upon the consumption of rapidly depleting domestic oil reserves with the United States annually importing foreign petroleum products which have been valued at more than 25 percent of the nation's trade deficit; and

WHEREAS, the release of toxic materials from the combustion of fossil fuel in the United States causes the release of more than one billion, two hundred million metric tons of carbon which threatens stable climatic conditions in the world; and

WHEREAS, more than 40 percent of this nation's air pollution is caused by vehicles, emitting a variety of petroleum-based pollutants which endanger the public's health, including carcinogenic organic vapors, benzene and other aromatics, nitrogen oxides, particulate matter in the form of smoke and soot, carbon monoxide, and carbon dioxide; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress in supporting the need to reduce this nation's dependence upon foreign oil, to provide additional markets for domestic corn and other grains, to protect the public health, and to preserve the nation's environment, has encouraged ethanol production and consumption; and

WHEREAS, motor vehicle fuel including a 10 percent blend of ethanol contains 3.5 percent oxygen which enhances octane levels and provides more oxygen for fuel combustion resulting in reduced levels of carbon monoxide, thus reducing threats from "greenhouse" warming; and

WHEREAS, ethanol produced in this nation reduces crude oil imports and dramatically increases farm income; and

WHEREAS, recent statements made by officials in the Office of Management and Budget indicate that the decision by the United States Environmental Protection Agency will be reversed, in opposition to established policies of the Congress of the United States supporting this nation's renewable fuel industry; **NOW THEREFORE,**

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

That the United States Environmental Protection Agency be permitted to carry out this nation's commitment to reduce dependence upon foreign oil, create additional markets for abundant grain supplies, protect the public health, and preserve the nation's environment, by faithfully carrying out the provisions of the federal Clean Air Act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That any new legislation taxing the production or consumption of energy include provisions which encourage the development of this nation's ethanol industry; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Iowa's congressional delegation, Senators Tom Harkin and Charles Grassley, and Representatives Neal Smith, Jim Leach, Jim Ross Lightfoot, Fred Grandy, and Jim Nussle, take the lead in providing advice and council to the President of the United States in order to support policies necessary to ensure the development of this nation's commitment to the production and consumption of ethanol-based fuel; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the United States Congress support legislative measures necessary in order to encourage the development of the ethanol production industry; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent by the Chief Clerk of the House to the Governor for approval; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon approval by the Governor, copies of this Resolution be sent by the Governor to the President of the United States, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Chairperson of the Committee of Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry of the United States Senate, the Chairperson of the Committee of Agriculture of the United States House of Representatives, and Iowa's congressional delegation.

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CHAPTER 186

STATE ANTHEM

H.J.R. 20

A JOINT RESOLUTION designating the "Largo" from Antonin Dvorak's "New World Symphony" as the official anthem for the State of Iowa for one year.

WHEREAS, Czech composer and musician Antonin Dvorak came to New York City from Europe in 1892 as the new Director of the National Conservatory of Music; and

WHEREAS, to escape the fractious noise and oppressive summer heat of a summer in New York City, Dvorak moved his wife and six children to the Czech community of Spillville, Iowa for the summer of 1893; and

WHEREAS, Iowa's prairie and the Turkey River provided Dvorak with idyllic conditions for his endeavors, and he achieved a great volume of impressive work during his stay in Iowa; and

WHEREAS, this year, 1993, marks the 100th anniversary of Dvorak's summer of creativity in Spillville, Iowa, NOW THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. The "Largo" from the "New World Symphony" by Antonin Dvorak shall officially, from July 1, 1993, to June 30, 1994, be designated as the state anthem of Iowa.