

GULF AND SHIP ISLAND RAILROAD.

RESOLUTIONS

OF THE

LEGISLATURE OF MISSISSIPPI,

ASKING

*An appropriation of land to aid in the construction of the Gulf and Ship Island railroad.*

APRIL 13, 1852.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce, and ordered to be printed.

A MEMORIAL of the Legislature of the State of Mississippi to the Congress of the United States now in session, praying the cession of certain public lands to aid in the construction and completion of the Gulf and Ship Island railroad.

Whereas, the Gulf and Ship Island railroad, approved 5th March, 1850, is an enterprise of great importance to the best interest and prosperity of the State of Mississippi, and in its consequences so important to the agricultural and commercial interest of the whole western States and North-western Territory, forming as it is, and ultimately designed to build up a commercial city on our own sea-board, and having a fine harbor, and having a direct connexion with the Mobile and Ohio railroad—forming at once a direct chain from the Gulf through the centre of the State :

*Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi,* That our senators in Congress be instructed, and our representatives requested, to use their best exertions to procure the passage of an act by the Congress of the United States, donating to the company or stockholders of said railroad, alternate sections of the public lands lying contiguous to said road for five miles on each side of said road, together with Deer and Ship islands, or so much as Congress, in their wisdom, may be willing to donate.

*Be it further resolved,* That his Excellency the Governor be, and is hereby requested, immediately on the passage of this memorial and resolutions, to transmit copies of the same to our senators and representatives in Congress.

Approved February 25, 1852.

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI.

I, James A. Horne, Secretary of State of the State of Mississippi, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of "a memorial" of the

legislature of this State, approved February 25, 1852, as taken from and compared with the original now on file in my office.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the great seal of the State, at the city of Jackson, this the [L. s.] 27th day of February, A. D. 1852:

JAMES A. HORNE,  
Secretary of State.

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PASSED

An appropriation of land to aid in the construction of the Gulf and Ship Island railroad.

Approved February 25, 1852.

Received by the Committee on Commerce, and ordered to be printed.

A MEMORIAL of the Legislature of the State of Mississippi to the Congress of the United States now in session, praying the location of certain public lands set in the western portion of the Gulf and Ship Island railroad.

Whereas, the Gulf and Ship Island railroad, approved 25th March, 1850, is an enterprise of great importance to the best interest and prosperity of the State of Mississippi, and in its consequences so important to the general and commercial interest of the whole western States and Territories, forming as it is, and ultimately designed to build up a commercial city on our own sea-board, and having a fine harbor, and having a direct connection with the Atlantic and Ohio railroads—forming at once a direct chain from the Gulf through the center of the State:

Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Mississippi, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our representatives requested, to use their best exertions to procure the passage of an act by the Congress of the United States, donating to the company or stockholders of said railroad, alternate sections of the public lands lying contiguous to said road for five miles on each side of said road, together with Deer and Ship Islands, or as much as Congress in their wisdom may be willing to donate.

Be it further resolved, That the Executive of the Governor be, and he hereby requested, immediately on the passage of this memorial and resolve, to transmit copies of the same to our Senators and representatives in Congress.

Approved February 25, 1852.

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I, James A. Horne, Secretary of State of the State of Mississippi, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a memorial of the