

[CHAPTER 429.]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To provide for the observance and celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the adoption of the Ordinance of 1787 and the settlement of the Northwest Territory.

August 2, 1935.
[H. J. Res. 298.]
[Pub. Res., No. 41.]

Whereas the famous ordinance known as the "Ordinance of 1787", adopted by the Federal Congress for the government of the territory now embracing the States of Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, and part of Minnesota, and then known as the "Northwest Territory", was so far-reaching in its effects, making such a complete change in the method of governing new communities formed by colonization, that it will always rank as one of the greatest civil documents of all time; and

Anniversary of adoption of Ordinance of 1787 and settlement of Northwest Territory.
Preamble.

Whereas the settlement of, and establishment of government in, the Northwest Territory in 1788 marked the beginning of the resistless march of the people of the United States from the eastern seaboard to the Pacific Ocean; and

Whereas the adoption of the Ordinance of 1787 followed by the settlement of the Northwest Territory under the system of government provided by such ordinance vitally shaped and determined the pattern of development of our Nation, its ideals, its Constitution, and its government; and

Whereas there is an indicative analogy between the national problems of one hundred and fifty years ago and those of the present day, making the study of the accomplishments of those early days of value to our people today; and

Whereas the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of these two great focal events in American history occurs in 1937 and 1938: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby established a commission to be known as the "Northwest Territory Celebration Commission" (herein after referred to as the "Commission") and to be composed of fourteen commissioners as follows: The President of the United States; two Members of the Senate, one from each of the two major parties, to be appointed by the President of the Senate; two Members of the House of Representatives, one from each of the two major parties, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; the Regent of the State chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution of each of the six States formed from the Northwest Territory, namely, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Minnesota; and three individuals from private life, to be appointed by the President of the United States. The commissioners shall serve without compensation and shall select a chairman from among their number.

Northwest Territory
Celebration Commission.
Establishment.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Commission to prepare and carry out a comprehensive plan for the observance and celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the adoption of the Ordinance of 1787 and the settlement of the Northwest Territory. In the preparation of such plan, the Commission shall cooperate, insofar as is possible, with the several States and particularly with the States of Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Minnesota, and shall take such steps as may be necessary in the coordination and correlation of plans prepared by State commissions, by agencies appointed by the governors of the several States, and by representative civic organizations.

Duties.

Cooperation with
States.

Appointment of personnel.
U. S. C., p. 85.

Expenditures allowed.

Duration of Commission.

Sum authorized.
Post, p. 1603.

SEC. 3. (a) Without regard to the civil-service laws or the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, the Commission is authorized to appoint and prescribe the duties and fix the compensation (not to exceed \$5,000 per annum) of a director and such other employees as are necessary in the execution of its functions.

(b) The Commission may make such expenditures as are necessary to carry out the intent and purposes of this resolution, including all necessary traveling expenses and subsistence expenses incurred by the commissioners.

(c) The Commission shall cease to exist within six months after the date of the expiration of the celebration.

SEC. 4. There is authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this joint resolution.

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[CHAPTER 430.]

JOINT RESOLUTION

August 2, 1935.
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To provide for membership of the United States in the Pan American Institute of Geography and History; and to authorize the President to extend an invitation for the next general assembly of the Institute to meet in the United States in 1935, and to provide an appropriation for expenses thereof.

Pan American Institute of Geography and History.
Annual appropriation authorized for United States membership.
Post, p. 1123.

Invitation to hold 1935 assembly in United States.

Appropriation authorized for expenses of meeting.
Post, p. 1123.

U. S. C., p. 85.

U. S. C., p. 1803.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That to enable the United States to become a member of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated annually the sum of \$10,000 for the payment of the quota of the United States.

SEC. 2. That the President be, and he is hereby, requested to extend to the Pan American Institute of Geography and History an invitation to hold the second general assembly of the Institute in the United States in the year 1935.

SEC. 3. That the sum of \$10,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby authorized to be appropriated for the expenses of such a meeting, including personal services without reference to the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, in the District of Columbia and elsewhere; stenographic reporting and other services by contract if deemed necessary, without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (U. S. C., title 4, sec. 5¹); rent, traveling expenses; purchase of necessary books and documents; newspapers and periodicals; stationery; official cards; printing and binding; entertainment; hire, maintenance, and operation of motor-propelled passenger vehicles; and such other expenses as may be actually and necessarily incurred by the Government of the United States by reason of such invitation in the observance of proper courtesies, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of State.

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¹ So in original.