

for testifying not only before the committee here today but also at the Redfield hearings, where he made an excellent statement, consistent with the effort he has placed behind the project from the very beginning.

I am very grateful for his statement.

Senator BURDICK. Senator Jordan?

Senator JORDAN. I have no questions, but I do want to thank the Governor for his statement.

Senator BURDICK. Senator Mundt?

Senator MUNDT. Thank you. I am glad the Governor emphasized the point made earlier, about the part this plays in the overall economy. There is presently an imbalance in this country between urban America and rural America. Surely if we are going to stop shifting our population away from home into places where they can get into trouble, it is essential we provide the economic opportunity.

I like the concept of giving them the vocational skills to make a living in their home States, rather than giving them the vocational skills so that they can travel abroad.

Thank you, Governor.

Senator BURDICK. Senator Hansen?

Senator HANSEN. I have no questions. I do want to add my compliments to my good friend the Governor of South Dakota for a very excellent statement.

Governor BOE. Thank you.

Senator BURDICK. And may I make it unanimous.

Governor BOE. Mr. Chairman, may I have the privilege to offer before this committee an exhibit which is known as house concurrent resolution No. 2, which was passed unanimously by the 1967 Legislature of the State of South Dakota, by which they urge the Congress of the United States to take favorable action, as soon as possible, in authorizing and funding the construction of the Oahe unit, initial stage, 190,000 acres of Missouri River Basin project.

Senator BURDICK. Without objection, the document will be received for the record at this point.

(The document referred to follows:)

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 2

Introduced by Committee on State Affairs

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Memorializing Congress to promptly review and approve authorizing legislation and funding for the construction of the "Oahe Unit—Initial Stage—190,000 Acres, James Division, South Dakota, Missouri River Basin Project"

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein:

Whereas, the Flood Control Act of 1944 (58 Stat. 887) as supplemented and extended by the Flood Control Act of 1946 (60 Stat. 641) authorized a general comprehensive plan for the conservation, control and use of the water resources of the Missouri River Basin; and

Whereas, the Oahe Unit as an integral part of the Missouri River Basin Project, which followed exhaustive studies and investigations by the Bureau of Reclamation has been found to be engineeringly feasible and economically justified as evidenced by that agency's report entitled "Oahe Unit, James Division—South Dakota, Missouri River Basin Project" dated May, 1965, as supplemented by "Supplemental Report on Oahe Unit—Initial Stage—190,000 Acres, James Division, South Dakota, Missouri River Basin Project" dated June, 1965, which was subsequently approved by the Secretary of the Interior; and