

position in the Government of the United States or the government of the District of Columbia for the period of three years immediately following the date of his conviction.", and be it further

*Resolved*, That copies of this resolution be sent to the Chairman of the House and Senate District Committees, the Mayor-Commissioner, the Chief of Metropolitan Police and the President of the United States.

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MAY 2, 1968.

GENTLEMEN: The recent action arbitrarily cancelling the law of this country by responsible (?) officials in Washington, D.C., "in order to save lives" is an astounding thing! Arson, looting, violence took place with police told not to interfere. \$100 million was lost in that riot (per Mr. Talcott, U.S. Representative).

Hitler showed what appeasement means when Chamberlain rejoiced in "saving lives." He was encouraged as these criminals are encouraged when not confronted and stopped and punished swiftly and sternly.

But the worst criminals are those officials who did not enforce our laws. The arsonists, looters, and violence makers are not elected or appointed to uphold law and enforce it. They did not violate a sacred trust, in some cases solemnly sworn to. They are just savages operating on their own level.

The "poor people's" march needs law enforcement for the rights of the citizens who work and obey the law for the good of all.

The capital is our city—unique in this country. No mob of hoodlums under whatever sanctimonious banner can invade it. This mob must pay their expenses or get out! They must act in an ordinarily, sensible, orderly, financially responsible way or get out! Just as we have to do.

Sincerely,

VIRGINIA P. RAISBECK.

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FEDERATION OF CITIZENS ASSOCIATIONS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

RESOLUTION

Whereas, there is a complete lack of confidence in Safety Director Patrick V. Murphy to maintain law and order in the District of Columbia: Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, By the Federation of Citizens Associations in regular meeting assembled the 9th day of May, 1968, we urgently request that the position of "The Director of Public Safety for the District of Columbia" be abolished forthwith.

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Whereas the Poor Peoples' March on Washington has a potential for rioting, looting and burning as recently witnessed here and as frequently accompanies demonstrations of this nature, and

Whereas it is generally recognized that a most effective deterrent to situations of this nature is the knowledge on the part of the participants that adequate forces are available to maintain and enforce law and order, and

Whereas our Armed Forces are available for such duty and have proved in the past to be a most effective supplement to our police forces: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, The Federation of Citizens' Associations in meeting assembled this 9th day of May 1968, calls on the Mayor-Commissioner of the District of Columbia to secure the services of a sufficient number of our Armed Forces to patrol the streets of Washington and give visual evidence to all that adequate forces are available and ready to maintain law and order: And further be it

*Resolved*, That copies of this resolution be sent the President of the United States, the Chairmen of the House and Senate District Committees, the Mayor-Commissioner of the District of Columbia, the Director of Public Safety and the Chief of Metropolitan Police.

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A BUSINESSMAN VOICES HIS FAITH IN THE CAPITAL CITY

A majority of Washington business leaders have faith in the future of the National Capital and believe it will grow and prosper and provide a quality of life