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RESOLUTIONS  
OF  
THE LEGISLATURE OF KANSAS,  
IN FAVOR OF

*Dropping the names of certain Indians from the roll of their respective tribes, and that their lands may be subject to taxation.*

FEBRUARY 17, 1869.—Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs and ordered to be printed.

Whereas large quantities of the most valuable land in Kansas have been patented to Indians in severalty, and particularly to the Shawnee Indians, and the said lands lie in detached tracts, and the value of these lands have been greatly enhanced by the energy, enterprise, and institutions of the white people settled among them, the benefit of whose laws and institutions these Indians enjoy exempt from taxation or any of the burdens of civilization, a condition of things inconsistent with the rights of the State and unjust to the people thereof: Therefore,

*Resolved by the senate, (the house concurring,)* That senators be instructed, and our representative requested, to use all proper means to cause these Indians to be dropped from the tribal roll of their respective tribes, and secure at the earliest day possible a state of things that will subject these Indian lands to equal taxation for State, county, and municipal purposes, with other estate of their localities.

*Resolved,* That the secretary of state be instructed to forward a copy of these resolutions to our senators and representative in Congress.

Adopted in senate February 5, 1869.

GEO. C. CROWTHER, *Secretary.*

Concurred in by the house of representatives February 10, 1869.

H. C. OLNEY, *Chief Clerk.*

I, Thomas Moonlight, secretary of state, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original on file in this office.

In testimony whereof I have subscribed my name and affixed the great seal of the State, this 11th day of February, A. D. 1869.

[SEAL.]

THOMAS MOONLIGHT,  
*Secretary of State.*