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POTTAWATOMIE RESERVATION.

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MEMORIAL  
OF  
THE LEGISLATURE OF KANSAS,

ASKING

*That a certain Pottawatomie reservation be opened to settlement.*

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MARCH 2, 1874.—Referred to the Committee on Indians Affairs and ordered to be printed.

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Whereas eleven miles square of the fairest and most valuable lands in Jackson County are now held as a reserve for the benefit of a small band of Indians known as the "Prairie band," whose status among us and habits of life are a serious obstacle to the rapid progress of an enlightened civilization, a constant source of annoyance and loss to the citizens of said county, preventing the actual settlement of said lands, and in other respects operating injuriously to the interest of said county, retarding its progress and development: Therefore,

*Be it resolved by the house of representatives of the State of Kansas, (the senate concurring therein,)* That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be, and they are hereby, earnestly requested to use all lawful means to secure the speedy removal of the band of Indians known as the "Prairie Band" from the Pottawatomie reserve lands in Jackson County, Kansas, and provide at the earliest opportunity for the sale of said lands to actual settlers and cultivators of the soil, and the secretary of state is hereby directed to transmit forthwith to our Senators and Representatives in Congress certified copies of the foregoing preamble and resolution.

Adopted by the house of representatives January 22, 1874.

A. R. BANKS, *Chief Clerk.*

Concurred in by the senate on February 19, 1874.

TOM. H. CAVANAUGH,  
*Secretary.*

I, W. H. Smallwood, secretary of state of the State of Kansas, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of house concurrent resolution No. 8, now on file in my office.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the great seal of State. Done at Topeka this 25th day of February, A. D. 1874.

[SEAL.]

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*Secretary of State.*