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RESOLUTION

OF THE

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF FLORIDA,

IN REFERENCE TO

Losses sustained by citizens of Florida in the Seminole war.

MARCH 3, 1851. Ordered to be printed.

PREAMBLE AND RESOLUTION urging upon Congress the payment for losses sustained by the citizens of Florida at the late hostilities of the Seminole Indians, and asking the appointment of a commissioner to take the testimony relative thereto.

Whereas, during the months of July and August, A. D. eighteen hundred and forty-nine, without cause, the Seminole Indians destroyed the property of many of the cirizens of this State; and whereas it is confidently hoped by those who have sustained such losses that the general government will allow them compensation for the damage thus sustained, as in equity and good conscience it ought to do; and whereas it is feared that, should measures for affording such relief be delayed, many of the sufferers will, from lapse of time, death, and removal of witnesses, &c., be unable to establish their losses: Therefore.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Florida in General Assembly convened, That our senators and representative in Congress be requested to use their best exertions to procure the passage of an act by Congress, making an appropriation for the payment to citizens of Florida for such losses as they sustained from Indian depredations during the said months of July and August, A. D. eighteen hundred and forty-nine, and also to take such steps as may be necessary to procure the appointment of a commissioner on the part of the United States to take the testimony relative to such losses, and file the same in the proper department at Washington.

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A true copy-attest:

C. W. DOWNING, Secretary of State.