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INDIANS IN TEXAS.

JOINT RESOLUTION

OF THE

LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS,

RELATING TO

*Indians west of the Pecos river.*

MARCH 11, 1858.—Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

JOINT RESOLUTION instructing the senators and requesting the representatives of Texas in Congress to procure such action on the part of the United States as will cause the Indians in Texas west of the Pecos river to be collected upon the reserve provided for them.

Whereas the Indians within the limits of Texas west of the Pecos river are of a roving character, without permanent habitation, and subsist mainly by depredations upon the stock and other property of the citizens of Texas residing in that portion of the State, and whereas the State of Texas has made a liberal provision for said Indians by an appropriation of land to be selected by an agent for them, to be appointed by the United States government for the purpose of collecting and permanently settling them thereon, and there to be taught the arts of agriculture and civilization under the superintendence, control, and management of said agent, whereby the citizens of the State will be relieved from the continued losses sustained by the predatory incursions of said Indians: therefore—

*Be it resolved by the legislature of the State of Texas,* That our senators and representatives in Congress be requested to use all proper means to procure the appointment by the government of the United States of a competent agent to select a proper location west of the Pecos river, within the limits of Texas, upon which to settle the Indians inhabiting that section of the State, in accordance with the provisions of "An act supplementary to an act entitled 'An act relating to the Indians of Texas,' approved February 6, 1854," approved February, 1856, and that said agent be instructed to collect and settle said Indians upon such location so made as aforesaid.

*Be it further resolved,* That his excellency the governor be requested to forward a copy of these resolutions to each of our senators and representatives in Congress.

Approved January 29, 1858.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,  
*Austin, Texas, February 1, 1858.*

I, the undersigned, secretary of state of the State of Texas, do hereby certify that the transcript on the reverse hereof is a correct copy of the original joint resolution on file in the department of state.

Given under my hand and the seal of the department of State the [L. s.] day and year first above written.

T. S. ANDERSON,  
*Secretary of State.*