Sundry petitions of citizens of the Territory of Minnesota, protesting against the annulling of the sale of Fort Snelling Reserve, &c.
MILITARY RESERVE AT FORT SNELLING.

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OF
CITIZENS OF THE TERRITORY OF MINNESOTA,
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We are familiar with the lands of this reservation, and of the value of lands generally in the west, and do not believe that a higher price than $11 per acre could be obtained for said land, sold in any manner; or that it is worth more for any purpose whatever.

We believe that the price paid by the purchaser at such sale was adequate and ample; and trust, for the settlement and improvement of the country, that the sale will be accepted and confirmed:

John Banfill
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B. F. Brown
A. Hoger
B. Cleaver
J. A. West
John H. Seimers
T. W. Betton
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The further occupation of this reserve as a military post, would only retard the growth and settlement of the country, and we trust that the sale will be confirmed.

W. B. Wood
Walton Cubley
James W. Wood
Jno. G. Watmough, Jr
W. B. Farrell
Timothy Fitch
Robert A. Smith
Jno. Penmen,
Judge of Probate of Ramsey Co.,
William S. Combs
Heinrich Wedelstaedt
J. H. Studdiford
Charles S. Chase,
Acting Governor of Minnesota
James Mills,
United States Collector, and
Inspector of Customs
Edward Steenan,
Register of Deeds for Ramsey Co.,

F. Somers
E. D. Somers'
Oscar King
Francis McNamee
C. G. Miller
O. Nelson
W. J. Williford
H. C. Coates
Wm. H. Brock
W. Coates
Jos. Clarke
S. S. Ellton,
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R. G. Murphy, P. of Senate
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Robert Kennedy, merchant
Philip Jacobs.
William Dowd, farmer
D. A. Huntsman.
Wm. H. Anderson
W. T. Swanwick
T. J. Duff
David Hodges
Nelson King
T. A. Holmes
Comfort Barnes
Henry Nicbergaly
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Associate Justice S. C., M. T.  
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W. B. Gerse,  
U. S. Marshal for Minnesota.  
S. M. Bordman  
E. S. Julien Cox,  
Sheriff Nicollet county.  
Dist. Atty'y. for Nicollet county.  
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John Johnston  
Cleveland Leader.  
Caleb Holhorse  
S. M. Burns  
J. Hennard  
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William Barnes  
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W. Lochren  
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H. H. Sibley, Governor elect of State of Minnesota
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C. H. Emerson, Surveyor Gen'l
C. S. Cave, State Senator
S. E. Adams, State Senator
Wm. A. Davis, Ex-Representative

J. J. Noah, Clerk of the Supreme Court
M. W. Irwin, Late United States Marshal

Joseph A. Estel
Benjamin F. Paul
John Bond
William Wilkinson
Bruner Merevest
Joseph Mason
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James Lamb
John McCarthy
Frederick Schimmet
Henry J. Dane
Robert Brusker

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S. Williams Nelson,
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Michael Hann
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Francis Donely
Henry Kleine
Thomas Birmingham
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William Hagerman
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Samuel Slougganborg
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Friedrik Kruse
Edward Walther
Samuel Snow
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Joseph Brin
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John Hyland
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Geo. B. Holmes
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E. A. C. Hatch
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L. H. Eddy
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Mahlon Black. Everett O. Foss.
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