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CERTIFICATE

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, }
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE. } SS.

I, Bill Cross, Secretary of State of the State of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that the printed Acts and Resolutions contained in this volume are true and correct copies of the enrolled laws and resolutions which were passed at the First Session of the Legislative Assembly, begun on the second day of December, A. D. 1907, and ending on the twenty-sixth day of May, A. D. 1908, as shown by the records of this office; and I further certify that all the laws and resolutions contained in this volume, which, by their terms, contain emergency sections, took effect and were in force from and after their passage and approval; and I further certify that all laws and resolutions herein contained, which, by their terms, do not contain emergency sections, will take effect and be in force ninety days from and after the final adjournment of the said Legislative Session.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma.

Done at Guthrie, Oklahoma, this 17th day of September, A. D. 1908.

BILL CROSS,
Secretary of State.
By LEO MEYER,
Assistant Secretary of State.

mit in due form and in accordance with the law, the following question to be voted on at the regular election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1908.

Do you favor the State of Oklahoma's selecting and securing a site for the location of a capital city, said site to be owned and controlled by, and the lots therein sold for the benefit of the state?

YES

NO

Approved May 29, 1908.

J. R. NO. 9.

RELATING TO THE CALLING OF A CONVENTION OF THE STATES TO PROPOSE AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES PROVIDING FOR THE ELECTION OF UNITED STATES SENATORS BY THE DIRECT VOTE OF THE PEOPLE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, AND PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A SENATORIAL DIRECT ELECTION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA.

Whereas, a large number of state legislatures have, at various times, adopted memorials and resolutions in favor of the election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people of the respective States; and

Whereas, the National House of Representatives has, on several different occasions, in recent years, adopted resolutions in favor of the proposed change in the method of electing United States Senators, which were not adopted by the Senate, therefore,

Be it Resolved by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the State of Oklahomas

Section 1 That the Legislature of the State of Oklahoma, in accordance with the provisions of Article V. of the Constitution of the United States, desires to join with other States of the Union to respectfully re-

quest that a convention of the several States be called for the purpose of proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States, and hereby apply to and request the Congress of the United States to call such Convention, and to provide for submitting to the several states the amendments so proposed for ratification by the legislatures thereof, or by conventions therein, as one or the other mode of ratification may be proposed by Congress.

Sec. 2. That at said convention the State of Oklahoma will propose, among other amendments, that section 3 of article 1 of the Constitution of the United States should be amended to read as follows:

“The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two senators from each state, chosen by the electors thereof, as the governor is chosen, for six years; and each senator shall have one vote. They shall be divided as equally as may be into three classes, so that one third may be chosen every second year; and if vacancies happen by resignation or otherwise the governor may make temporary appointments until the next regular election in such state. No person shall be a Senator who shall not have attained the age of thirty years, and been nine years a citizen of the United States, and who shall not, when elected, be an elector of the state for which he shall be chosen. The vice president of the United States shall be President of the Senate, but shall have no vote unless they be equally divided. The Senate shall choose their own officers, and also a president pro tempore, in the absence of the Vice President, or when he shall exercise the office of President of the United States.”

Sec. 3. A legislative commission is hereby created to be composed of the Governor, and eight members, to be appointed by him, not more than four of whom shall belong to the same political party, to be known as the Senatorial Direct Election Commission of the State of Oklahoma. It shall be the duty of said Legislative Commission to urge action by the legislatures of the several states and by the Congress of the United States to the end that a Convention may be called as provided in section one hereof. The members of said commission shall receive no compensation.

Sec. 4. That the Governor of the State of Oklaho-

ma is hereby directed forthwith to transmit certified copies of this joint resolution and application to both Houses of the United States Congress, to the Governor of each state in the Union, and to each of our Representatives and Senators in Congress.

Approved January 9, 1908.

S. J. R. NO. 9.

AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ANY COUNTY CREATED IN WHOLE OR IN PART OUT OF THE TERRITRY FORMERLY KNOWN AS OKLAHOMA TERRITORY, TO APPOINT MEMBERS OF TOWNSHIP ARBITRATION BOARDS IN TOWNSHIPS WHICH WERE FORMERLY PART OF COUNTIES IN THE TERRITORY OF OKLAHOMA, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Be It Resolved by the People of the State of Oklahoma:

Section 1. The Board of County Commissioners in any county is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint members of a board, said board to be known as the "Township Board of Arbitration"; said board to be so created in territory which was formerly part and parcel of counties embraced in Oklahoma Territory; and which, under statehood, is part and parcel of different counties and different townships. Said Township Board of Arbitration, when so created, shall be composed of persons residing in the territory embraced in said original township under the Territory of Oklahoma: and one person is to be appointed to represent each fraction of said original township; said appointment made by the Board of County Commissioners of the county in which said fraction is now a part.

Sec. 2. Said Township Board of Arbitration, when created under the provisions hereof, shall meet at some place in said original township, said place and time of meeting to be agreed upon and fixed by the various Boards of County Commissioners, creating said Board of Arbitration; and shall thereupon organize and proceed to divide the property, assets, and liabilities of said original township, including school district therein, where affected; between said township and any part of said township created in whole or in part out of said township, or between the fractional parts of any said original township existing in said Terri-