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vide, that in consideration of the said act of the legislature of Pennsylvania as aforesaid, the bed of the river Susquehanna, from the Maryland line to the bay of Chesapeake, is hereby declared, and shall for ever hereafter be a public highway, and that individuals or bodies corporate may at all times remove obstructions to its navigation; from which several enactments of the two states it is manifest that by a solemn compact the river Susquehanna is a free and public highway, and that neither of the contracting states, without the consent of the other, has a right in any manner or by any means to impede the natural navigation thereof: And whereas confiding in such compact, and the faithful performance of its conditions, this state has at various times, and on different occasions, as has also divers corporations of the state, by authority thereof, appropriated and applied large sums of money to clear out the bed of said river, and to preserve the navigation thereof free and unobstructed to the use of the citizens of the several states forming the said compact: And whereas the erection of the said dams, by the authority and direction of the state of Pennsylvania, is a manifest infraction of the said compact and agreement, and greatly injurious to the interest of this state, and to the citizens thereof; wherefore,

*Resolved*, That the governor of this state, be, and he is hereby requested, to communicate a copy of this preamble, and the accompanying resolutions, to the governor of Pennsylvania, with a request that they may be laid before the legislature of the state, in order that measures may be taken by the state of Pennsylvania, to remove the just cause of complaint of the state of Maryland, in relation to the artificial obstructions in the river Susquehanna.

*Resolved*, That the governor be, and he is hereby requested, to communicate copies of this preamble, and the accompanying resolutions, to the governors of the states of New York and Delaware, with a request that they will communicate them to the legislatures of their respective states, and ask their co-operation in obtaining the removal of all artificial obstructions to the navigation of said river.

*Resolved*, That the governor and council be, and they are hereby authorised and requested, to appoint three commissioners to repair to Harrisburg, to remonstrate against the conduct of the state of Pennsylvania, in erecting artificial obstructions to the navigation of the river Susquehanna, and endeavour to procure the removal of all such obstructions, and to report, if practicable, their proceedings during the present session, or if otherwise, to the next general assembly of this state.