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RESOLUTION NO. 1

APPROPRIATION OF PITTMAN-ROBERTSON REVENUE

Whereas, Public Law 375 of the 84th Congress authorizes the appropriation of the \$13,467,468.61 backlog of Pittman-Robertson Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration funds in five equal annual installments beginning with the fiscal year starting July 1, 1955, and

Whereas, the states have urgent need for these authorized funds to finance measures designed to benefit the millions of Americans who annually engage in hunting,

Now, therefore be it resolved, by the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners in convention assembled at Augusta, Georgia, this 13th day of September, 1955, that the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service is hereby requested to do everything within its power to have the first installment of the Pittman-Robertson backlog revenue included in the Supplemental Appropriation Bill for 1956, which is scheduled to be considered by the congress when it reconvenes in January, 1956, and

Be it further resolved, that all possible be done to incorporate permanent appropriation language in connection with the first installment of this backlog revenue so the intent of congress will be carried out without the need for resubmitting the request for the appropriation of each installment during the five year period ending with fiscal year 1960.

RESOLUTION NO. 2

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION PROGRAMS AND WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

Whereas, there is a definite need to integrate more closely wildlife conservation programs of state and federal agencies dealing with water resources development in order to prevent loss of or damage to wildlife resources.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners in annual convention assembled at Augusta, Georgia, this 13th day of September, 1955, go on record as urging congress to give favorable consideration to the immediate passage of S.2372 introduced by Senator McClellan of Arkansas which amends Public Law 732 to accomplish the objectives of the international organization.

RESOLUTION NO. 3

RESERVATION OF PUBLIC LANDS FOR POWER PURPOSES

Whereas, under the provisions of the Act of Congress of June 25, 1910 (36 Stat. 347), commonly known and referred to as the withdrawal from entry on public land laws, the Secretary of the Interior has, from time to time, by executive order, withdrawn from entry, sale or location under the public land laws and has reserved for power purposes, numerous power sites on the public lands of the United States many of which power sites are located on, along and adjacent to local non-navigable streams of the several states, and

Whereas, the Federal Power Commission, under the provisions of the Federal Power Act, 41 Stat. 1075, 16 U. S. C. 818, also has made numerous withdrawals from the public lands of the United States and has reserved for power purposes power sites on navigable and non-navigable waters of the several states, and

Whereas, ever since the enactment of the Desert Land Act of 1877, if not before, it has been the established law that all non-navigable waters then a part of the public domain became PUBLICI JURIS, subject to the plenary control of the states designed therein, with the right in each to determine for itself to what extent the rule of prior appropriation or the common-law rule of riparian rights should obtain, and

Whereas, it also has been the established law that the federal government, as the owner of the public domain, had the power to dispose