The Eleventh Assembly

Joint Resolution, Ratifying the Amendment to the Constitution of the United States Abolishing Slavery.

Whereas, the Congress of the United States has proposed to the several States the following Amendment to the Federal Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE XIII.

"Section 1. -- Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime, whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction."

"Section 2. -- Congress shall have power to enforce this Article by appropriate Legislation." -- Therefore,

Be it Resolved, By the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, that the State of Iowa, by its Legislature, hereby ratifies and asents to said Amendment.

I hereby certify, the foregoing to be a true copy of the Original Resolution now on file in my office.

Approved January 24th, 1866.

Governor

Secretary of State

Speaker of the House of Representatives