

Per capita payment
to, from tribal funds.

cient sum to make therefrom a per capita payment or distribution of \$50, in two equal installments of \$25 each on or about October 15, 1932, and on or about January 15, 1933, to each of the living members on the tribal roll of the Menominee Tribe of Indians of the State of Wisconsin, under such rules and regulations as the said Secretary may prescribe.

Approved, June 14, 1932.

[CHAPTER 258.]

JOINT RESOLUTION

June 14, 1932.

[S. J. Res. 41.]

[Pub. Res., No. 26.]

Granting consent of Congress to a compact or agreement between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey creating the Delaware River Joint Commission and specifying the powers and duties thereof.

Delaware River Joint
Commission.
Compact between
Pennsylvania and New
Jersey for creation of,
Preamble.

Whereas, pursuant to act numbered 200 of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approved June 12, 1931, and chapter 391 of the Laws of New Jersey, approved June 30, 1931, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey have entered into a certain compact or agreement, which said compact or agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on behalf of said Commonwealth, and by the New Jersey Interstate Bridge Commission on behalf of said State; and

Whereas the aforesaid agreement or compact is in substantially the following form, that is to say:

- "Whereas the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey are the owners of a certain bridge across the Delaware River between the city of Philadelphia in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the city of Camden in the State of New Jersey; and
- "Whereas the Pennsylvania Commission, existing by virtue of act numbered 338 of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approved July 9, 1919 (Pamphlet Laws, 814), and acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, and the New Jersey Interstate Bridge Commission, existing by virtue of chapter 271 of the Laws of New Jersey of 1929, and acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, are acting jointly under the name of the Delaware River Bridge Joint Commission in connection with the operation and maintenance of said bridge; and
- "Whereas the interests of the people of the two States will be best served by consolidating the two commissions in corporate form, and granting additional powers and authority thereto with reference to the said bridge, and to other and further means of communication between the two States in the vicinity of Philadelphia and Camden; and
- "Whereas additional transportation facilities between the two States in the vicinity of Philadelphia and that part of New Jersey opposite thereto will be required in the future for the accommodation of the public and the development of both States; and
- "Whereas both States have mutual interests in the development of the Delaware River from Philadelphia and Camden to the sea, and particularly in developing the facilities and promoting the more extensive use of the ports of Philadelphia and Camden by coastwise, intercoastal, and foreign vessels; and
- "Whereas it is highly desirable that there be a single agency of both States empowered to further the aforesaid interests of both States: Now, therefore

"The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey do hereby solemnly covenant and agree each with the other, as follows:

Pennsylvania and
New Jersey agreement.

"ARTICLE I

"There is hereby created a body corporate and politic to be known as the Delaware River Joint Commission (hereinafter in this agreement called the 'Commission'), which shall constitute the public corporate instrumentality of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey for the following public purposes, and which shall be deemed to be exercising an essential governmental function in effectuating such purposes, to wit:

Corporation created.

"(a) The operation and maintenance of the bridge owned jointly by the two States and the city of Philadelphia, as its interests may appear, across the Delaware River between the city of Philadelphia in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the city of Camden in the State of New Jersey, including its approaches, and the making of additions and improvements thereto.

Purposes.

"(b) The effectuation, establishment, construction, operation, and maintenance of railroad or other facilities for the transportation of passengers across the said bridge, including extensions thereof to the vicinity of Race Street and Eighth Street in the city of Philadelphia, and to the vicinity of Carman Street and Haddon Avenue in the city of Camden.

"(c) The investigation of the necessity for additional means of communication between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the vicinity of Philadelphia and the State of New Jersey opposite thereto, and between the ports of Philadelphia and Camden and the sea, and making of such studies, surveys, and estimates as may be necessary to determine the feasibility and cost of any such additional means of communication, whether the same be by bridge, tunnel, canal, or otherwise.

"(d) Cooperation with all other bodies interested or concerned with or affected by the promotion, development, or use of the Delaware River.

"(e) The procurement from the Government of the United States of any consents which may be requisite to enable any project within its powers to be carried forward.

"(f) The promotion of the Delaware River as a highway of commerce between Philadelphia and Camden and the sea.

"(g) The promotion of increased commerce on the Delaware River, both freight and passenger, and, for this purpose, the publication of such literature and the adoption of such means as may be deemed appropriate.

"(h) To study and make recommendations to the proper authorities for the improvement of terminal, lighterage, wharfage, warehouse, and other facilities necessary for the promotion of commerce on the Delaware River.

"(i) Institution, through the attorneys general of Pennsylvania and New Jersey, of or intervention in any litigation involving rates, preferences, rebates, or other matters vital to the interests of the ports of the Delaware River.

"(j) Any other functions which may be of mutual benefit to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey, in so far as concerns the promotion and development of the ports of Philadelphia and of Camden, and the use by commercial vessels of their facilities.

"ARTICLE II

Commission membership.

"The commission shall consist of sixteen commissioners, eight resident voters of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and eight resident voters of the State of New Jersey, who shall serve without compensation.

"The first eight commissioners for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall be the governor of the Commonwealth, the auditor general, the State treasurer, the mayor of the city of Philadelphia, and the four additional persons now serving as members of the Pennsylvania Commission, existing by virtue of act numbered 338 of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approved July 9, 1919 (Pamphlet Laws, 814), and acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto.

"The first eight commissioners for the State of New Jersey shall be the eight individuals now holding office, as members of the New Jersey Interstate Bridge Commission, existing by virtue of chapter 271 of the laws of said State of 1929, approved May 6, 1929, and acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, which said eight individuals are hereby appointed by said State as such commissioners, who shall serve for their unexpired terms as members of the New Jersey Interstate Bridge Commission. Succeeding commissioners shall be elected by the legislature to serve for terms of five years.

"For the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the governor, the auditor general, the State treasurer, and the executive head of the city of Philadelphia, in office at the time, shall always be members of the commission, and, in addition thereto, there shall be four members appointed by the governor, who shall be known as appointive members. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the appointive membership of the commission, the governor shall appoint a member to serve for a term of five years from the date of his appointment.

"For the State of New Jersey, whenever a vacancy in the office of commissioner shall occur, such vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term by the legislature. If the legislature shall not be in session when the vacancy occurs, such vacancy shall be filled by the governor, and such appointee shall hold office until the legislature convenes.

"All commissioners shall continue to hold office after the expiration of the terms for which they are appointed or elected unless and until their respective successors are appointed and qualified, but no period during which any commissioner shall hold over shall be deemed to be an extension of his term of office for the purpose of computing the date on which his successor's term expires.

"ARTICLE III

Commissioners to create board.

"The commissioners shall have charge of the commission's property and affairs, and shall, for the purpose of doing business, constitute a board, but no action of the commissioners shall be binding unless a majority of the members of the commission from Pennsylvania and a majority of the members of the commission from New Jersey shall vote in favor thereof.

"ARTICLE IV

Powers.

"For the effectuation of its authorized purposes, the commission is hereby granted the following powers:

- "(a) To have perpetual succession.
- "(b) To sue and be sued.

- “(c) To adopt and use an official seal.
- “(d) To elect a chairman, vice chairman, secretary, and treasurer, and to adopt suitable by-laws for the management of its affairs. The secretary and treasurer need not be members of the commission.
- “(e) To appoint such other officers, and such agents and employees as it may require for the performance of its duties, and fix and determine their qualifications, duties, and compensation.
- “(f) To enter into contracts.
- “(g) To acquire, own, hire, use, operate, and dispose of personal property.
- “(h) To acquire, own, use, lease, operate, and dispose of real property and interests in real property, and to make improvements thereon.
- “(i) To grant the use of, by franchise, lease, or otherwise, and to make charges for the use of, any property or facility owned or controlled by it.
- “(j) To borrow money upon its bonds or other obligations either with or without security.
- “(k) To exercise the right of eminent domain.
- “(l) To determine the exact location, system and character of, and all other matters in connection with, any and all improvements or facilities which it may be authorized to own, construct, establish, effectuate, operate, or control.
- “(m) In addition to the foregoing, to exercise the powers, duties, authority, and jurisdiction heretofore conferred and imposed upon the aforesaid Pennsylvania Commission and upon the aforesaid New Jersey Interstate Bridge Commission, severally, or upon both of said commissions jointly, by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or the State of New Jersey, or both of the said two States; and
- “(n) To exercise all other powers, not inconsistent with the constitutions of the two States or of the United States, which may be reasonably necessary or incidental to the effectuation of its authorized purposes or to the exercise of any of the foregoing powers, except the power to levy taxes or assessments, and generally to exercise, in connection with its property and affairs and in connection with property within its control, any and all powers which might be exercised by a natural person or a private corporation in connection with similar property and affairs.

“ARTICLE V

“If for any of its authorized purposes (including temporary construction purposes), the commission shall find it necessary or convenient to acquire any real property in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or the State of New Jersey, whether for immediate or future use, the commission may find and determine that such property, whether a fee simple absolute or a lesser interest, is required for public use, and, upon such determination, the said property shall be deemed to be required for a public use until otherwise determined by the commission, and, with the exceptions hereinafter specifically noted, the said determination shall not be affected by the fact that such property has theretofore been taken for or is then devoted to a public use, but the public use in the hands or under the control of the commission shall be deemed superior to the public use in the hands or under the control of any other person, association, or corporation.

Acquisition of private property for public use.

“If the commission is unable to agree with the owner or owners thereof upon terms for the acquisition of any such real property in

the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for any reason whatsoever, then the commission may acquire such real property in the manner provided by act Numbered 338 of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, approved July 9, 1919, and acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, for the acquisition of real property by the aforesaid Pennsylvania Commission.

"If the commission is unable to agree with the owner or owners thereof upon terms for the acquisition of any such real property in the State of New Jersey for any reason whatsoever, then the commission may acquire and is hereby authorized to acquire such property, whether a fee simple absolute or a lesser interest, by condemnation or the exercise of the right of eminent domain, either under and pursuant to the provisions of the act of the State of New Jersey, entitled 'An Act to regulate the ascertainment and payment of compensation for property condemned or taken for public use' (revision of 1900, approved March 20, 1900), and acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, or under and pursuant to the provisions of an act entitled 'An Act concerning and regulating acquisition and taking of lands by the State of New Jersey, or any agency thereof; providing a procedure therefor, and the manner of making compensation for lands so taken,' approved April 21, 1920, and the various acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto.

Condemnation proceedings.

"The power of the commission to acquire real property by condemnation or the exercise of the power of eminent domain in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey shall be a continuing power and no exercise thereof shall be deemed to exhaust it.

Surveys, maps, etc.

"The commission and its duly authorized agents and employees may enter upon any land in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or the State of New Jersey, for the purpose of making such surveys, maps, or other examinations thereof, as it may deem necessary or convenient for its authorized purposes.

"However, anything to the contrary contained in this compact notwithstanding, no property now or hereafter vested in or held by any county, city, borough, village, township or other municipality or port district shall be taken by the commission without the consent of such municipality or port district unless expressly authorized so to do by the Commonwealth or State in which such municipality or port district is located. All counties, cities, boroughs, villages, townships, and other municipalities, and all public agencies and commissions of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey, notwithstanding any contrary provision of law, are hereby authorized and empowered to grant and convey to the commission upon its request, but not otherwise, upon reasonable terms and conditions, any real property which may be necessary or convenient to the effectuation of its authorized purposes, including real property already devoted to public use.

"The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey hereby consent to the use and occupation by the commission of any real property of the said two States, or of either of them, which may be or become necessary or convenient to the effectuation of the authorized purposes of the commission, including lands lying under water and lands already devoted to public use.

"Real property" construed.

"The term 'real property' as used in this compact, includes lands, structures, franchises, and interests in land, including lands under water and riparian rights, and any and all things and rights usually included within the said term, and includes not only fees simple absolute but also any and all lesser interests, such as easements,

rights of way, uses, leases, licenses, and all other incorporeal hereditaments, and every estate, interest, or right, legal or equitable, including terms of years and liens thereon by way of judgments, mortgages, or otherwise, and also claims for damage to real estate.

“ARTICLE VI

“The control, operation, tolls, and other revenues of the aforesaid existing bridge across the Delaware River between the city of Philadelphia and the city of Camden, and of all real and personal property appurtenant thereto or used in connection therewith, shall vest in the commission on the 1st day of July, 1931, and the terms of the members of the aforesaid Pennsylvania Commission and the aforesaid New Jersey Interstate Bridge Commission shall cease and terminate on that date.

Revenues of bridge
across Delaware River.

“On or before the 30th day of June, 1932, or as soon thereafter as practicable, the commission shall pay to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the State of New Jersey, and the city of Philadelphia the following sums out of moneys, raised by said commission on its bonds or other obligations:

Payments to Penn-
sylvania and New
Jersey.

“(a) An amount equal to the moneys contributed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania toward the cost of acquiring property for and constructing said bridge and the approaches thereto, and expenditures incident thereto, with interest at the rate of 4 per centum per annum, such interest to be computed from the dates on which installments of such funds were paid to the Delaware River Bridge Joint Commission by the said Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, as shown by the records of its State treasurer, less, however, the amount returned to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania from the net revenues of the bridge between July 1, 1926, and June 30, 1931, and less interest, at the rate of 4 per centum per annum, upon such amount computed from the dates of repayment to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

“(b) An amount equal to the moneys contributed by the State of New Jersey toward the cost of acquiring property for and constructing said bridge and the approaches thereto, and expenditures incident thereto, with interest theretofore actually paid by the State of New Jersey or accrued upon the bonds issued by said State to borrow money to pay its share of the cost of acquiring property for, and construction of, said bridge and the approaches thereto, and all expenditures incident thereto, less, however, the amount returned to the State of New Jersey from the net revenues of the bridge between July 1, 1926, and June 30, 1931, and less interest, at the rate of $4\frac{1}{4}$ per centum per annum, upon such amount computed from the dates of repayment to the State of New Jersey.

“(c) An amount equal to the moneys contributed by the city of Philadelphia toward the cost of acquiring property for and constructing said bridge and the approaches thereto, and expenditures incident thereto, with interest theretofore actually paid by the city of Philadelphia or accrued upon the bonds issued by said city to borrow money to pay its share of the cost of acquiring property for and construction of said bridge and approaches thereto, and all expenditures incident thereto, less, however, the amount returned to the city of Philadelphia from the net revenues of the bridge between July 1, 1926, and June 30, 1931, and less interest, at the rate of $4\frac{1}{4}$ per centum per annum, upon such amount computed from the dates of repayment to the city of Philadelphia.

Net amounts to each.

“(d) As soon as is practicable subsequently to July 1, 1931, the commission shall determine with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the State of New Jersey, and the city of Philadelphia the net amounts due to each, respectively, as of the 1st day of July, 1931, and from that date until the date of payment interest shall be paid by the commission to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania at the rate of 4 per centum per annum and to the State of New Jersey and to the city of Philadelphia at the rate of $4\frac{1}{4}$ per centum per annum.

Manner of payment.

“(e) The amount payable by the commission to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, as aforesaid, shall be paid to the State treasurer of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania upon a voucher signed and audited by said State treasurer, who is hereby authorized to consummate the said transaction. The amount payable to the State of New Jersey shall be paid to the comptroller of said State upon a voucher signed and audited by said comptroller, who is hereby authorized to consummate the said transaction. The amount payable to the city of Philadelphia shall be paid to the treasurer of the said city upon a voucher signed and audited by said treasurer, who is hereby authorized to consummate the said transaction. Upon the receipt of the proper payment each of said officials shall certify to the Delaware River Joint Commission that all moneys payable by the Delaware River Joint Commission, to the Commonwealth, State, or city, as the case may be, have been duly paid.

“(f) Nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect, diminish, or impair the rights and obligations created by, or to repeal any of, the provision of chapter 352 of the Laws of New Jersey of 1920, and chapter 262 of the Laws of New Jersey of 1924, and chapter 336 of the Laws of New Jersey of 1926, and chapter 33 of the Laws of New Jersey of 1927, and chapter 64 of the Laws of New Jersey of 1928.

New Jersey sinking fund commission.

“(g) Of the money paid to the State of New Jersey under the provisions of this agreement, there shall be paid to the sinking fund commission, created by the provisions of the foregoing statutes (chapter 352 of the Laws of New Jersey of 1920 and chapter 262 of the Laws of New Jersey of 1924), such sum or sums as said sinking fund commission may deem necessary to meet the then existing indebtedness and obligations set forth in said statutes, together with such interest and other charges as may be due or may grow due. The amount thus to be paid to the sinking fund commission shall be arrived at and determined by said sinking fund commission within ninety days after payment is made to the State of New Jersey pursuant to the provisions of this agreement. The moneys to be paid to and received by said sinking fund commission are hereby appropriated by the State of New Jersey and are to be used for sinking-fund purposes according to law.

“(h) No failure on the part of the commission to make the aforesaid payments to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to the State of New Jersey, or to the city of Philadelphia, shall affect, diminish, or impair the rights of the holders of any bonds or other securities or obligations of said commission, as security for which the tolls and other revenues of the said bridge may be pledged.

“ARTICLE VII

Power to pledge credit of Pennsylvania not conferred.

“Notwithstanding any provision of this agreement, the commission shall have no power to pledge the credit of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or the credit of the State of New Jersey, or the

credit of any county, city, borough, village, township, or other municipality of said Commonwealth or of said State, or to create any debt of said Commonwealth or of said State or of such municipality.

“ARTICLE VIII

“The commission is hereby authorized to make and enforce such rules and regulations, and to establish, levy and collect (or to authorize by contract, franchise, lease or otherwise, the establishment, levying, and collection of) such tolls, rents, rates, and other charges in connection with the aforesaid existing bridge across the Delaware River, and any other properties which it may hereafter construct, erect, acquire, own, operate or control, as it may deem necessary, proper, desirable and reasonable, which said tolls, rents, rates, and other charges shall be at least sufficient to meet the expenses thereof, including interest and sinking-fund charges; and the commission is hereby authorized and empowered to pledge such tolls, rates, rents, and other revenues, or any part thereof, either presently received or to be received in the future, or both, as security of the repayment, with interest, of any moneys borrowed by it or advanced to it for any of its authorized purposes and as security for the satisfaction of any other obligation assumed by it in connection with such loans or advances.

Rules, etc., for collection of tolls, etc.

“ARTICLE IX

“The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey hereby covenant and agree with each other and with the holders of any bonds or other securities or obligations of the commission for which there may or shall be pledged the tolls, rents, rates, or other revenues, or any part thereof, of any property or facility owned, operated, or controlled by the commission. (including the said bridge across the Delaware River and the facilities for the transportation of passengers across the said bridge), that (so long as any of said bonds or other securities or obligations remain outstanding and unpaid, and unless and until adequate provision is made by law for the protection of those advancing money upon such obligations) the Commonwealth and the said State will not diminish or impair the power of the commission to own, operate, or control said properties and facilities, or to establish, levy and collect tolls, rents, rates, and other charges in connection with such properties or facilities.

Impairment of commission's powers.

“The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey hereby covenant and agree with each other and with the holders of any bonds or other securities or obligations of the commission for which the tolls, rents, rates, or other revenues, or any part thereof, of the aforesaid existing bridge across the Delaware River shall have been pledged that the said Commonwealth and the said State will not authorize or permit the authorization of the construction, operation, or maintenance of any additional vehicular bridge or tunnel or any additional bridge or tunnel having railroad or other facilities for the transportation of passengers between the said Commonwealth and the said State over or under the Delaware River by any other person or body than the commission, within a distance of ten miles in either direction from the said bridge measured along the boundary line between the said Commonwealth and the said State.

Additional construction.

"ARTICLE X

Bonds made securities of State.

"The bonds or other securities or obligations which may be issued by the commission for any of its authorized purposes, and as security for which there may be pledged the tolls, rents, rates, and other revenues, or any part thereof, of any properties or facilities owned, operated, or controlled by the commission (including the aforesaid existing bridge across the Delaware River and the aforesaid facilities for the transportation of passengers across the said bridge), are hereby made securities in which all State and municipal officers and bodies of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and State of New Jersey, all banks, bankers, trust companies, savings banks, saving and loan associations, investment companies, and other persons carrying on a banking business, all insurance companies, insurance associations, and other persons carrying on an insurance business, and all administrators, executors, guardians, trustees, and other fiduciaries, and all other persons whatsoever, who are now or hereafter may be authorized to invest in bonds or other obligations of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or of the State of New Jersey, may properly and legally invest any funds, including capital belonging to them or within their control; and said bonds or other securities or obligations are hereby made securities which may properly and legally be deposited with and received by any State or municipal officer or agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or the State of New Jersey for any purpose for which the deposit of bonds or other obligations, either of the Commonwealth or of the State, is now or may hereafter be authorized.

"ARTICLE XI

Purposes of construction.

"The effectuation of its authorized purposes by the commission is and will be in all respects for the benefit of the people of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey, for the increase of their commerce and prosperity, and for the improvement of their health and living conditions, and since the commission will be performing essential governmental functions in effectuating said purposes, the commission shall not be required to pay any taxes or assessments upon any property, acquired or used by it for such purposes, and the bonds or other securities or obligations issued by the commission, their transfer, and the income thereof (including any profits made on the sale thereof) shall, at all times, be free from taxation within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey.

"ARTICLE XII

Commission reports.

"The commission shall make annual reports to the Governors and Legislatures of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey, setting forth in detail its operations and transactions, and may make such additional reports, from time to time, to the governors and legislatures as it may deem desirable.

"Whenever the commission, after investigation and study, shall have concluded plans, with estimates of cost, and means of financing any new project, other than those described in article 1, subdivision (b) hereof, for transportation across or under the Delaware River within the area hereinbefore described, any new project for the improvement of the Delaware River's port facilities, or any

other project for the mutual advantage of Pennsylvania and New Jersey and coming within the purposes for which it is created, the commission shall make to the legislatures of each State a detailed report, dealing only with the contemplated project, and shall request of said legislatures authority to proceed with the project described; and it shall not be within the power of the commission to construct, erect, or otherwise acquire any facility or project, except those described in article 1, subdivision (b) hereof, unless and until the legislatures of both States shall have authorized the commission to proceed with the project outlined in its special report thereon.

"In witness whereof, this 1st day of July, anno Domini, 1931, Gifford Pinchot has affixed his signature hereto as Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and caused the great seal of the Commonwealth to be attached hereto.

"(SEAL)

GIFFORD PINCHOT,

"Governor Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

"And on this 1st day of July, anno Domini, 1931, the New Jersey Interstate Bridge Commission by its members, pursuant to law, has signed this agreement for and on behalf of the State of New Jersey.

"JOHN B. KATES.

"ARTHUR C. KING.

"THOMAS J. S. BARLOW.

"BARTON F. SHARP.

"ALFRED COOPER.

"FRANK L. SUPLEE.

"LUCIUS E. HIRES.

"I. NORWOOD GRISCOM.

"Witnesses:

"DAVID J. SMYTH.

"JOSEPH K. COSTELLO.

"T. HARRY ROWLAND."

Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby given to the aforesaid compact or agreement, and to each and every term and provision thereof: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to affect, impair, or diminish any right, power, or jurisdiction of the United States or of any court, department, board, bureau, officer, or official of the United States, over or in regard to any navigable waters, or any commerce between the States or with foreign countries, or any bridge, railroad highway, pier, wharf, or other facility or improvement, or any other person, matter, or thing, forming the subject matter of the aforesaid compact or agreement or otherwise affected by the terms thereof: *And provided further*, That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this resolution or any part thereof is hereby expressly reserved.

Consent of Congress granted.

Provisos. Rights, etc., preserved.

Amendment.

Approved, June 14, 1932.

[CHAPTER 259.]

JOINT RESOLUTION

June 14, 1932.
[S. J. Res. 97.]
[Pub. Res., No. 27.]

Extending for one year the time within which American claimants may make application for payment, under the Settlement of War Claims Act of 1928, of awards of the Mixed Claims Commission and of the Tripartite Claims Commission.

Settlement of War
Claims Act.
Time for making
applications for pay-
ment, by American
claimants extended.
Vol. 46, p. 84, amend-
ed.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (g) of section 2 and subsection (f) of section 5 of the Settlement of War Claims Act of 1928, as amended by Public Resolution Numbered 48, Seventy-first Congress, approved March 10, 1930, are further amended, respectively, by striking out the words "four years" wherever such words appear therein and inserting in lieu thereof the words "five years."

Approved, June 14, 1932.

[CHAPTER 265.]

AN ACT

June 15, 1932.
[S. 4080.]
[Public, No. 183.]

To authorize the closing of certain streets in the District of Columbia rendered useless or unnecessary, and for other purposes.

District of Colum-
bia.
U Street southwest
between First and Half
Streets closed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia be, and they are hereby, authorized to close, upon the recommendation of the National Capital Park and Planning Commission, that portion of U Street southwest, lying between First Street and Half Street southwest, as may be rendered useless or unnecessary by reason of the construction of an electric light and power plant on squares 665 and 667 adjoining said street: *Provided,* That the said Commissioners of the District of Columbia shall sell to the abutting property owners the land contained within the portion of said street to be closed for cash at a price not less than the assessed value of contiguous lots, and the money received therefrom paid into the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the District of Columbia, and that such lands shall thereafter be assessed on the books of the assessor of the District of Columbia the same in all respects as other private properties in the District.

Proviso.
Sale authorized.

Use of receipts.

Assessment.

Water Street south-
west, between U and
V Streets southwest
closed.

SEC. 2. That the Commissioners of the District of Columbia are hereby further authorized to close, upon the recommendation of the National Capital Park and Planning Commission, that portion of Water Street between U and V Streets southwest; and said commissioners are hereby authorized to give title to the owners of square 667 abutting on Water Street that portion of Water Street so closed lying west of the direct southerly projection of the west line of Half Street as now existing north of U Street southwest, upon notification from the Director of Public Buildings and Public Parks of the National Capital of the receipt from all claimants in absolute quitclaim deeds to the United States of all land in square east of 667, east of the direct southerly projection of the west line of Half Street, as now existing north of U Street southwest, and such other land as may be acquired by the owners of square 667 in square east of south of 667, subject to the right of said owners to construct and operate any pipe lines and intake and discharge tunnels in or under the same to the Anacostia River, and provided that all of said lands deeded to private owners by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia under this section shall thereafter be assessed on the books of the assessor of the District of Columbia the same in all respects as other private properties in the District of Columbia.

Title to portion there-
to given to abutting
property owners.

Subject to receipt of
quitclaim deeds from
all claimants.

Pipe lines and tun-
nels.

Assessments against
private properties.