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### MEMORIAL AND JOINT RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ADDITIONAL MILITARY ACADEMY IN THE NORTHWEST.

WHEREAS, The capacity of the military academy at West Point is wholly inadequate to  
2 impart military knowledge to the youth of the nation; and

WHEREAS, the most powerful and efficient armies have always been found to be composed  
2 of men possessed of a high degree of knowledge ; and

WHEREAS, the distinction now made between officers and enlisted men, both as to emolu-  
2 ments and appointments for promotion is too great, and

WHEREAS, our soldiers in the ranks should have the right and opportunity to be promoted  
2 upon meritorious service ; therefore,

*Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

SECTION 1. That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be requested to use all  
2 honorable means to secure the passage of an act establishing a military academy in the  
3 Northwest, and when so established, if found practicable that such academy be located in  
4 this State, and that the course of study in such military academies be of such character that  
5 instructions therein will enable the cadets to adopt themselves to either civil or military  
6 life, and that those choosing the military service be requested to enter the service as non-  
7 commissioned officers and serve as such not less than two years before such cadets be pro-  
8 moted to rank of a commissioned officer, except in the event of an emergency requiring the  
9 services of the volunteer forces of the union.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of State is hereby instructed to send a copy of the foregoing reso-  
2 lution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.