

By Miss Howe of Somerville, petition of Charles Robert Doyle for adoption of resolutions urging the President of the United States and the United States State Department to use the full weight and power of their offices in imploring Great Britain to remove its troops from occupied Ireland and to grant political status to Irish Republican dissidents. Federal Financial Assistance.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Five.

RESOLUTIONS URGING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE UNITED STATES STATE DEPARTMENT TO USE THE FULL WEIGHT AND POWER OF THEIR OFFICES IN IMPLORING GREAT BRITAIN TO REMOVE ITS TROOPS FROM OCCUPIED IRELAND AND TO RE-GRANT POLITICAL STATUS TO IRISH REPUBLICAN PRISONERS OF WAR.

*Whereas*, It is the natural right of every nation to govern itself; and  
*Whereas*, The artificial division of Ireland by England has resulted in injustice and oppression; and

*Whereas*, The struggle for a United Ireland is a legitimate struggle for political self-determination; and

*Whereas*, The British propaganda machine has succeeded in depicting the age-old Irish struggle for freedom as an eruption of bigotry based on ancient and petty grudges; and

*Whereas*, Certain persons in the United States government have fallen prey to such propaganda and have involved themselves on the side of the British oppressors, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Massachusetts House of Representatives urges the President of the United States, the Congress of the United States State Department to use the full weight and power of their offices in imploring Great Britain to re-grant political status to Irish Republican prisoners of war in Ireland and Britain to withdraw all British troops from the streets of northeast Ireland and further requesting the British Government to declare an intent to withdraw all military personnel from occupied Ireland; and be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Clerk of the House of Representatives to the President of the United States, to presiding officers of each branch of the Congress of the United States, to the United States State Department and to each member of Congress from the Commonwealth.