

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. Flood introduced the following joint resolution which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

JOINT RESOLUTION

Declaring that a state of war exists between the Imperial and Royal Austro-Hungarian Government and the Government and the people of the United States and making provision to prosecute the same.

Whereas the Imperial and Royal Austro-Hungarian Government has shown its hostility to the Government and the people of the United States by severing diplomatic relations, and has formally adhered to the ruthless policy of submarine warfare adopted by its ally, the Imperial German Government, with which the United States is at war, and ~~and~~ has given to its ally every support and aid on both land and sea in the prosecution of war against the Government and people of the United States of America: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a state of war be and is hereby declared to exist and to have existed since noon of the fifth day of December, (1917), between the United States of America and the Imperial and Royal Austro-Hungarian Government; and that the President be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to employ the entire naval and military forces of the United States and the resources of the Government to carry on war against the Imperial and Royal Austro-Hungarian Govern-

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ment and to bring the conflict to a successful termination all the resources of the Government are hereby pledged by the Congress of the United States.

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