

RESOLUTIONS

DRAWN UP TO PRESIDENT WOODROW WILSON
AND ADOPTED BY THE UKRAINIAN NATIONAL
MASS-MEETING AT COOPER UNION HALL,
NEW YORK CITY, ON JANUARY 16, 1919

WHEREAS, our great President, Woodrow Wilson, has deemed it his paramount duty to visit Europe in order to impress upon the representatives of the different governments about to assemble at the International Peace Conference at Versailles the principles which he formally announced as his own peace terms in his famous address delivered before the Congress of the United States on January 8, 1918, setting forth arrangements for the permanent peace of the world, for which principles he said, "we are willing to fight until they are achieved;" and,

WHEREAS, the fourteenth point enunciated by the President reads as follows:

"XIV. A general association of nations must be formed under specific covenants for the purpose of affording mutual guarantees of political independence and territorial integrity to great and small states alike."

and,

WHEREAS, these bases of peace have been accepted by the Allied Governments as well as by the Central Powers, and the intention has been expressed by European statesmen, predicated upon the principle laid down by the President in his plea for an International League that "all governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed," to recognize and grant the just claims of the smaller nations, as they shall be self-determined by such nations;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that it is the sense of this meeting that we solemnly pledge our unswerving loyalty and support to our illustrious President in his great mission to the Peace Conference, and in his impartial and conscientious application of the principles which he has laid down for the world's guidance in the direction of a permanent peace; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commissioners Plenipotentiary of the United States of America at the said International Peace Conference be, and they are hereby, requested to represent and urge upon the said Conference the right to freedom, independence, and self-determination of all the Ukrainian territory, both in the former empire of Austria-Hungary and in Russia, so that hereafter no military power of any nation or group of nations shall be suffered to determine the fortunes of peoples over whom they have no right to rule, except the right of force; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of these resolutions, duly authenticated, be forwarded to our illustrious President and to the American Commissioners.

Dr. Cyril D. Billik, *Chairman of the Mass-Meeting.*