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SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

WINONA, MINN.,

March 5, 1906.

Pres. Wm. J. Kerr, Logan, Utah.

Dear Sir: -

The bill to reincorporate the National Educational Association under the name of the "National Education Association of the United States", which was approved by the Association at its last annual meeting, has been introduced in Congress, under the number H. R. 10501, and favorably reported to the House by a unanimous vote of the Committee on Education.

It is believed that the general sentiment of members of Congress in regard to the bill is indicated by the action of the Committee on Education of the House, but a strong effort is being made to arouse opposition to the bill and it is therefore extremely important that the members of the association should express themselves strongly and clearly in its favor to their representatives in both the Senate and the House.

The bill as introduced in Congress is the same as the bill proposed by the Board of Trustees--a copy of which was sent you in April last-except Section 7, which was amended at the Asbury Park meeting in order better to define and protect the Permanent Fund and at the same time to place it under control of the active members acting jointly with the two boards of officers elected by them. The amended form of the bill may be found on pages 34-36 of the last annual Volume of Proceedings or of the Yearbook; the accompanying discussion appears on pages 26-36.

A charter by act of Congress is desired in recognition of the national character and importance of the Association, for the purpose of placing the Association upon the most permanent basis possible, and especially of affording to the Permanent Fund of the Association protection which cannot otherwise be assured. It is earnestly requested that you will write at once to your representatives in both houses of Congress asking them to give the bill their support for the reasons stated, and for such others as will naturally occur to you.

Respectfully yours,

NATHAN C. SCHAEFFER

President

Secretary