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RESOLUTIONS.

1 *Resolved*, That, under the Constitution, Congress alone has
2 the power to declare war, and the President, by and with the
3 advice and consent of the Senate, the power to make a treaty
4 of peace.

1 *Resolved*, That all attempts to make peace with the United
2 States, by the action or intervention of the separate States com-
3 posing this Confederacy, are unauthorized by the Constitution,
4 in contravention of the supreme law of the land, and therefore
5 *revolutionary*.

1 *Resolved*, That the Confederate States are prosecuting the
2 war in which they are engaged for the purpose of establishing
3 their independence as a separate power, and that in so doing
4 they are exercising the natural and inalienable right claimed
5 by them in the revolution of '76, which established their inde-
6 pendence of the British crown.

1 *Resolved*, That we, the Representatives of the people of the
2 Confederate States, are firmly determined to continue the
3 struggle in which we are involved, until the United States shall
4 acknowledge our independence, and to this determination, with
5 a sincere conviction of the justice of our cause, and an humble
6 reliance upon the Supreme Ruler of Nations, we do solemnly
7 and faithfully pledge ourselves.

