

GENOCIDE - 1953

Since the Executive Board of The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in November 1952 passed the following resolution:

Whereas, the Third General Assembly of the UN meeting in Paris in December, 1948, adopted the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide, meaning the destruction of national, ethnic, racial or religious groups, and

Whereas, in the four years that have elapsed since the United Nations adopted this convention, while forty states have approved it, thus bringing the convention into effect for those states, the Senate of the United States has failed to ratify,

Be it resolved, that the Executive Board of The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods in annual session assembled in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on behalf of its United States units urges upon the 83rd U.S. Senate that early in its forthcoming session, it ratify the Genocide Convention without further inexcusable delay and,

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the newly elected President and Vice-President of the United States and to appropriate committee chairmen of the Senate.

Be it resolved, that this Assembly endorse the action of the Executive Board urging the ratification of the Genocide Convention, and

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this Resolution be sent to the President, Vice-President, and the chairmen of appropriate Senate committees.