JOINT RESOLUTION

[CHAPTER 431]

To amend section 4 of Public Resolution Numbered 54, approved November 4, 1939, entitled “Joint resolution to preserve the neutrality and the peace of the United States and to secure the safety of its citizens and their interests.”

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 4 of Public Resolution Numbered 54, approved November 4, 1939, entitled “Joint resolution to preserve the neutrality and the peace of the United States and to secure the safety of its citizens and their interests” be, and is hereby, amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 4. The provisions of section 2 (a) shall not prohibit the transportation by vessels, unarmed and not under convoy, under charter or other direction and control of the American Red Cross of officers and American Red Cross personnel, medical personnel, and medical supplies, food, and clothing, for the relief of human suffering: Provided, That where permission has not been given by the blockading power, no American Red Cross vessel shall enter a port where a blockade by aircraft, surface vessel, or submarine is being attempted through the destruction of vessels, or into a port of any country where such blockade of the whole country is being so attempted: Provided further, That such American Red Cross vessel shall be on a mission of mercy only and carrying only Red Cross materials and personnel.”

Approved, June 26, 1940.

[CHAPTER 432]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Making appropriations for work relief and relief, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1941.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this joint resolution may be cited as the “Emergency Relief Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1941”.

WORK PROJECTS ADMINISTRATION

Section 1. (a) In order to continue to provide work for needy persons on useful public projects in the United States and its Territories and possessions, there is hereby appropriated to the Work Projects Administration, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1941, $975,650,000, together with all balances of appropriations under section 1 (a) of the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1939, which remain unobligated on June 30, 1940, including such unobligated balances of funds transferred to other Federal agencies for nonconstruction projects under the provisions of section 11 (a) of such Act of 1939, or set aside for specific purposes in accordance with other law: Provided, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds heretofore irrevocably set aside for the completion of Federal construction projects under authority of the Emergency Relief Appropriation Acts of 1938 and 1939 shall remain available until June 30, 1941, for such completion, and any such funds which remain unobligated by reason of the completion or abandonment of any such Federal construction project shall be returned to this appropriation: Provided further, That the funds appropriated by this section may be apportioned for a lesser period than the twelve months of the fiscal year 1941, but not for less than eight months, as determined by the President, if in his judgment such action is