

tions, and if this State should refuse to receive her proportion, the public benefits and burthens, now operating most unequally, would be increased to a very considerable extent, your Committee have, therefore, reported a Bill to the Legislature to receive the proportion of the said surplus revenue, which may be allotted to Georgia under the said Act of Congress.

But your Committee, in the name, and for the People of Georgia, do **MOST SOLEMNLY PROTEST** against the exercise of the assumed power of the General Government by which the surplus revenue proposed to be deposited with the States was raised, and the right of Congress to distribute the surplus of its treasury to the several Sovereign States of this confederacy, involved in the distribution thereof, and they do most unequivocally appeal to those in the exercise of the powers of the Federal Government so to reduce the receipts that the revenue hereafter raised may be only so much as will be necessary for the legitimate wants of the Government, and they do, in the name of the good People of Georgia, appeal to the States of this Union to protest against the exercise of powers by the Federal Government, calculated to produce discontent and dissatisfaction with the States who are parties to the compact of this Union. Your Committee, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following Resolution.

*Resolved*, That his Excellency the Governor be, and he is hereby requested to transmit a copy of this protest to the Governors of each of the States, with a request, that the same may be laid before the Legislatures thereof, and a copy to the President of the United States, and also a copy to each of our Senators and Representatives in the Congress of the United States, with a request that the same may be laid before both Houses respectively.

In Senate, unanimously agreed to, December 1st, 1836.

**ROBERT M. ECHOLS**, *Pres't of the Senate.*

*Attest*, **JOHN T. LAMAR**, *Secretary of the Senate.*

In the House of Representatives, concurred in; 24th December, 1836.

**JOSEPH DAY**, *Speaker of the House of Rep.*

*Attest*, **JOSEPH STURGES**, *Clerk.*

Approved, 28th December, 1836.

**WILLIAM SCHLEY**, *Governor.*