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TO THE

HON. WHITELAW REID

Minister of the United States to France

Upon the announcement of the approaching return of the Hon. Whitelaw Reid from his mission as Minister of the United States to France, and in view of his important diplomatic achievement in the opening of the markets of that nation to one of the most important of American products, as well as the negotiation of an Extradition Treaty with that power, steps were taken by the Chamber of Commerce to show, by some unusual demonstration, the appreciation in which such services are held. Accordingly the Executive Committee of the Chamber, on the 7th of April, reported the following preamble and resolutions for adoption:

Whereas, The Hon. WHITELAW REID, our esteemed friend and distinguished fellow-citizen, has returned to this city from France, to which nation he is the Minister of the United States; and

Whereas, In that high service he has shown diplomatic qualities of the first order in the negotiation of a Reciprocity Treaty which opens the large market of

that prosperous Republic to one of the most important of American products; and further, in the arrangement of an Extradition Treaty to protect the people of our respective countries from the criminal classes of either; and

Whereas, His services as Minister of the United States have been here and abroad recognized as of great value in securing the proper representation of our people at the Paris Exposition of 1889, and more lately in the provision for a similar adequate representation of French interests at the Columbian Exposition in 1893; and

Whereas, By his culture, his personal dignity and his urbanity he has won the esteem of the official dignitaries of the nation to which he is accredited, and by his kind solicitude for their interests the affection of our own people resident or visiting abroad; therefore,

Resolved, That this Chamber, in appreciation of this service and character, tender him a Banquet of welcome to his home and country at such time as may suit his convenience.

Resolved, Further, that Mr. Reid be and he is hereby nominated and recommended for election as an Honorary member of this Chamber.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted by acclamation, and Mr. Reid was unanimously elected an Honorary member.

A Committee was thereupon appointed to take charge and carry out the details of the Banquet. This Committee consisted of the following named gentlemen:

CORNELIUS N. BLISS, CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW, SAMUEL D. BABCOCK, HORACE PORTER, ALEXANDER E. ORR.