



The State of North Carolina,

To all whom these presents shall come, Greeting :

Be it Known, That
R. W. Best,

whose name, in his own proper hand-writing,
is subscribed to the annexed Certificate, is, and
was at the time of granting the same, Secretary
of State for the State of North Carolina,
and that his said Certificate is in due form.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, His Excellency, JONATHAN
WORTH, our Governor, Captain-General and
Commander-in-Chief, hath signed with his hand
these presents, and caused our great seal to be
affixed thereto.

Done at the City of RALEIGH, on the 24th
day of *December* in the year of our Lord
one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, and in
the *unity first* year of our Independence.

Jonathan Worth

BY THE GOVERNOR

Wm. H. Bayley

Private Secretary.

Resolution,

rejecting the proposed amendment, as the fourteenth Article of the Constitution of the United States,

Resolved, That the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina, do not ratify the Amendment proposed as the fourteenth Article of the Constitution of the United States.

In General Assembly read three times and ratified, this 14th day of December A.D. 1866.

R. G. W. Adams

S. H. Comptroller

H. E. Maulsby

Speaker Senate

State of North Carolina
Department of State.

J. R. W. Best Secretary of State

do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original deposited in this office

Given under my hand the
14th Decr. A.D. 1866.

J. R. W. Best

Secretary of State

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Department of State,

Washington December 27, 1866.

His Excellency

Jonathan Worth,

Governor of North Carolina, Raleigh.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Excellency's letter of the 24th instant, transmitting a certified copy of a Resolution of the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina, passed on the 4th of December 1866, rejecting a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States. The letter and its enclosure have been placed on file in this Department.

I am, your obedient servant

William H. Seward.