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This call, based in part upon the suggestion of the Executive of our own State, and rendered imperatively necessary by the events of the war, must be promptly and heartily responded to.

The check recently received by our army before Richmond, has resulted, without doubt, from the superior numbers of the enemy; our army being compelled not only to meet the enemy wherever he presents himself, but to hold at the same time, the vast regions of country already won from him. Without an increase of our forces, we cannot hope for a successful termination of the war.

The call of the President comes home to the heart of every man who desires to see the greatness of the nation restored, and law and order re-established in the rebellious States.

This end must be accomplished though it should require the entire militia force of the nation, and all its treasure. There can be no turning back. Reverses can but intensify the determination of the people. Without a restored government, property, and life itself, will be valueless.

All classes must feel the terrible necessity which presses upon them. While we are struggling to preserve the unity of the best government on earth, it appears not improbable that we may be speedily called upon to resist the attacks of the monarchies of Europe, and wage a war, not only for free institutions, but for our individual independence. Coldness or indifference upon our part, at this

time, cannot but result in our becoming one of the subservient populations of the earth—exercising the right of self government at the will of some other people.

As Minnesota has heretofore nobly done her duty in this war; as she has furnished more than the quota heretofore asked of her; as her sons have established for themselves a pre-eminent reputation for discipline and courage;—it now becomes her to meet, in an equally heroic spirit, this new emergency.

Meetings should be held in every county. Wealth, energy, and ability should be devoted to the task of rousing the people to a sense of their present danger. The merchant, the farmer, and the manufacturer, must all understand, that unless this rebellion is speedily suppressed, their toil can profit them little;—that in a ruined country there can be no individual prosperity.

Let the reinforcements which must speedily be thrown into the Peninsula, to turn the tide of battle and aid in the capture of the Rebel Capital, contain at least one additional regiment from Minnesota.

The recruits first obtained, under this call, will constitute the Sixth Regiment; all subsequent recruits, after that Regiment is filled, will be used to complete Minnesota's quota of the force now called for by the President.

IGNATIUS DONNELLY, ACTING GOVERNOR.