I, C. S. Mellen, President, and George H. Earl, Secretary of the Northern Pacific Railway Company hereby certify that at a meeting of the board of directors duly held on the 3 day of December, 1899, a resolution of said corporation was duly passed by said board and entered on the records of its proceedings, which resolution was in the words and figures following, that is to say;

RESOLVED; that this company exercise the power conferred upon it by law by building a branch of its present Coeur d'Alene line in the state of Idaho, which branch is described as follows; a single track, standard gauge railway from a connection with the main track of the Coeur d'Alene line at Wallace, Idaho, extending thence in a northerly direction along the course of Nine Mile Creek a distance of six miles, more or less, all in Shoshone County, Idaho.

That the president and secretary of this company are authorized to certify this resolution and file said certificate in the office of the secretary of state of Idaho in compliance with the statutes of that state.

WITNESS our hands and the seal of said corporation the 144 % day of December, 1899.

Presiden

Secretary.