

enacted, the same, if adopted by the legal and qualified voters of the State as herein provided, to become a part of the Constitution of Maryland, and to read as follows:

## ARTICLE II

1.

The executive power of the State shall be vested in a Governor, whose term of office shall commence on the [fourth] *third* Wednesday of January next ensuing his election, and continue for four years, and until his successor shall have qualified; and a person who has served two consecutive popular elective terms of office as Governor shall be ineligible to succeed himself as Governor for the term immediately following the second of said two consecutive popular elective terms.

3.

The Speaker of the House of Delegates shall then open the said Returns, in the presence of both Houses; and the person having the highest number of votes, and being Constitutionally eligible, shall be the Governor, and shall qualify, in the manner herein prescribed, on the [fourth] *third* Wednesday of January next ensuing his election, or as soon thereafter as may be practicable.

13.

All civil officers nominated by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate, shall be nominated to the Senate within [thirty] *forty* days from the commencement of each regular session of the Legislature; and their term of office, except in cases otherwise provided for in this Constitution, shall commence on the first Monday of May next ensuing their appointment, and continue for two years (unless removed from office), and until their successors, respectively, qualify according to law.

## ARTICLE III

14.

The General Assembly shall meet on the [third] *second* Wednesday of January, [nineteen hundred and sixty-five,] *nineteen hundred and seventy-one*, and on the same day in every year thereafter, and at no other time, unless convened by Proclamation of the Governor. *A Proclamation convening the General Assembly in extraordinary session must be issued by the Governor if a majority of the members elected to the Senate and a majority of the members elected to the House of Delegates join in a petition to the Governor requesting that he convene the General Assembly in extraordinary session, and the Governor shall convene the General Assembly on the date specified in the petition. This section does not affect the Governor's power to convene the General Assembly in extraordinary session pursuant to Section 16 of Article II of this Constitution.*

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The General Assembly may continue its session so long as in its judgment the public interest may require, for a period not longer