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] seventy, BEGINNING THE JANUARY FOLLOWING THE ADOPTION OF THIS AMENDMENT BY THE VOTERS, 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 two-thirds or more of the members elected to the Senate and two-thirds or more 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.

15.

- (1) The General Assembly may continue its session so long as in its judgment the public interest may require, for a period not longer than [seventy] ninety days in each year, but it may extend its session beyond ninety days for a period not exceeding an additional thirty days by resolution concurred in by three-fifths vote in each House. [and on and after January 1, 1965, each member thereof shall receive a compensation of Twenty-four Hundred Dollars (\$2,400.00) per annum, payable quarterly, with a deduction of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) per diem for each day of unexcused absence from any session; and he shall also receive such mileage as may be allowed by law, not exceeding Twenty Cents per mile; and the presiding officers of each House shall receive an additional compensation of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) per annum.] When the General Assembly shall be convened by Proclamation of the Governor, the session shall not continue longer than thirty days, but no additional compensation other than mileage and other allowances provided by law shall be paid members of the General Assembly for special session.
- (2) The compensation, PERSONAL PER DIEM EXPENSE ALLOWANCES, MILEAGE ALLOWANCES, expense allowances (including mileage and any other reimbursement for expenses) and