

American Revolution. He was a representative from this State in the continental congress elected on December 22, 1779.

It was on November 5, 1781 that he was elected by the continental congress as "President of the United States in Congress Assembled." He held this office for one year.

John Hanson died in 1783 at Oxon Hill in Prince George's County, Maryland.

The importance of John Hanson on the national scene is attested by the fact that his statue is in Statuary Hall in the Capitol of the United States. It is most fitting and proper that this State provide some organized observance of his birthday.

The regular observance of John Hanson Day is made more important for the State of Maryland because a lineal descendant of the great John Hanson serves in the General Assembly of Maryland. He is the Honorable John Hanson Briscoe of St. Mary's County, an able and energetic member of this Legislature who carries forward brilliantly the aura of his namesake; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Governor of Maryland is requested in this and succeeding years to designate April 14 as John Hanson Day; and be it further

*Resolved,* That the Governor in this and succeeding years is requested to issue a proclamation in advance of John Hanson Day calling upon the people of the State to make fitting observance of John Hanson Day.

Approved May 21, 1970.

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(Senate Joint Resolution 52)

Senate Joint Resolution urging Maryland's Congressmen and Senators to support the assumption by the Federal Government of all costs of public welfare. ~~rather than the tax-sharing plan as proposed by President Nixon.~~

WHEREAS, welfare has become so interstate in nature and so dominated by Federal policy that only complete Federal financing makes sense;

WHEREAS, a system financed uniformly and administered uniformly, would, in itself, be more just, more equitable, and more responsible, not only for the thousands of welfare recipients in Maryland, but also throughout the entire country; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Maryland's Congressmen and Senators be urged to support a national welfare program totally financed and administered by the Federal Government; and be it further

*Resolved,* That copies of this Resolution be sent to the U. S. Senators from Maryland and the Maryland Members of the House of Representatives.

Approved May 21, 1970.