oysters in the coastal waters of Worcester County; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Honorable James B. Cculter, Secretary, Natural Resources; Mr. Robert J. Rubelmann, Administrator, Maryland Fisheries Administration, Tawes State Office Building, 580 Taylor Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401; Mr. Larry Simns, President, Maryland Watermen's Association, 48 Maryland Avenue, Annapolis, Maryland 21401; Mr. Ricks Savage, President, Worcester County Watermen's Association, Route 2, Box 212, Berlin, Maryland 21822; and Mr. Robert Prier, Executive Director, Chesapeake Seafood, Easton, Maryland 21645.

Approved May 2, 1978.

No. 7

(Senate Joint Resolution 40)

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

World War I Veterans' Benefits

FOR the purpose of expressing the support of the General Assembly of Maryland for HR9000 of the Congress of the United States, a pension bill for World War I Veterans.

WHEREAS, HR9000 is presently being considered by the Congress of the United States and is a measure which gives to all World War I veterans a pension of \$150 per month; and

WHEREAS, This measure is vitally important to those brave persons who served their country so very long ago; and

WHEREAS, At the time of their release from public service they were sent on their way with but a paltry recompense of \$60 and fare back to their homes; and

WHFREAS, They received no educational benefits, no home loan money, no social security, no unemployment benefits and very little hospitalization; and

WHEREAS, World War I veterans formed the American Legion and they were advocates of benefits veterans now receive; and

WHEREAS, This year is the 60th anniversary of the end of World War I and the General Assembly of Maryland urges the Federal Government to finally reward those men who fought so bravely for their country; those men are now in their eighties; now, therefore, be it