

WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER, Governor

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be forwarded by the Department of Legislative Reference to the Honorable William Donald Schaefer, Governor of Maryland; the Honorable Robert C. Murphy, Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals of Maryland; the Honorable Robert F. Sweeney, Chief Judge of the District Court; the Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., President of the Senate of Maryland; and the Honorable R. Clayton Mitchell, Jr., Speaker of the House of Delegates.

Signed May 19, 1989.

No. 17

(Senate Joint Resolution No. 20)

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

Central Corridor Light Rail Project – Extension to Annapolis

FOR the purpose of ~~designating~~ requesting the Department of Transportation to consider the Glen Burnie to Annapolis corridor as ~~a high priority~~ an appropriate extension of the Central Corridor Light Rail Project; and requesting the Department of Transportation to develop a feasibility, ~~schedule~~ study and cost analysis ~~and to identify funding sources~~ for the extension of the rail line to Annapolis, and when performing engineering studies on proposals to replace the Old Severn River Bridge, include in the studies an option to construct a certain bridge across the Severn River capable of supporting a light rail track.

WHEREAS, In 1988 the General Assembly set in motion a process for the study and implementation of a light rail transit system in Maryland; and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly and the Department of Transportation have already taken the initial steps toward implementation of the Central Corridor Light Rail line between Baltimore County and Glen Burnie in Anne Arundel County; and

WHEREAS, By extending the Central Corridor Light Rail line to Annapolis, the citizens of the State would have an efficient, clean, and relatively inexpensive mass transit line linking the State's capital with its largest metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly ~~finds~~ considers that extension of the Central Corridor Light Rail line to Annapolis is ~~a high priority requirement as well as a logical next~~ an appropriate step in the development of a statewide light rail transit system; and

WHEREAS, Preliminary studies of the extension have already been conducted and Anne Arundel County already owns the right-of-way over which the light rail line could be constructed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Department of Transportation ~~designate~~ consider the Glen Burnie to Annapolis corridor as ~~a high priority~~ an appropriate extension of the Central Corridor Light Rail Project; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Department of Transportation be requested to study, in detail, the extension of the Central Corridor Light Rail line from Glen Burnie to Annapolis