

plexities of urban living today. It requires a willingness to understand the problems of others and it requires active participation by citizens in the affairs of government. The spread of urban renewal programs, the enactment of the Miles Commission recommendations and the other proposals that have been under discussion in recent years among the political subdivisions of the Baltimore metropolitan area health signs. Such programs are indicative of the public's awareness of urban problems and demonstrate a willingness to seek solutions through mutual cooperation.

I am confident that the panel discussion this afternoon will contribute much to our understanding the citizen's role in the solution of the problems of the metropolis. I anticipate a lively discussion that, I hope, will begin but not end here.

On behalf of the citizens of Maryland, may I once again express my thanks to all of you for your willingness to participate in this public affairs project and for your desire to assist in shedding light on one of the most complex problems of the sixties.

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Governor Godwin, Governor Hatfield, members of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, ladies and gentlemen:

I am pleased and honored to represent the State of Maryland again this year at this annual meeting of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments.

This organization of interstate cooperation, of which Maryland is proud to be affiliate, represents the desire and the willingness of neighbors to work together on common problems for their mutual interests. This council is a comparatively new agency of government, but the idea itself is not novel at all. In fact, our Union of States had its birth in the idea that self-interest dictated cooperation between the colonies.

It was thought back 185 years ago Virginia might to its advantage tax shipping going into Baltimore and Annapolis through Cape Henry, but not if Maryland in retaliation imposed burdens upon Virginians