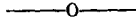


any such debt or credit within the period of forty (40) years from the time of contracting the same; but the Mayor and City Council may, temporarily, borrow any amount of money to meet any deficiency in the City Treasury, and may borrow any amount at any time to provide for any emergency arising from the necessity of maintaining the police, or preserving the health, safety and sanitary condition of the city, and may make due and proper arrangements and agreements for the renewal and extension, in whole or in part, of any and all debts and obligations created according to law before the adoption of this Constitution.<sup>1</sup>

SEC. 8. All Laws and Ordinances now in force applicable to the City of Baltimore, not inconsistent with this Article, shall be, and they are hereby continued until changed in due course of law.

SEC. 9. The General Assembly may make such changes in this Article, except in Section 7 thereof, as it may deem best; and this Article shall not be so construed or taken as to make the political corporation of Baltimore independent of, or free from the control which the General Assembly of Maryland has over all such Corporations in this State.



#### CHANGES MADE IN THIS ARTICLE BY THE CHARACTER OF BALTIMORE CITY AND AMENDMENTS THERETO.

In pursuance of the power conferred by Article XI-A of the Constitution, the voters at the election in November, 1946, have changed the following provisions:

7. Mayor—Election. The voters shall elect by ballot, on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in May, 1947, and on the same day and month in every fourth year thereafter, a person of known integrity, experience and sound judgment, over twenty-five years of age, a citizen of the United States, and ten years a resident of said city next preceding the election, to be Mayor of the City.

9. Mayor—Term, etc. The term of Mayor shall commence on the Tuesday next after the third Monday of May succeeding his election, and continue for four years, and until his successor shall be elected and qualified, and he

<sup>1</sup> Thus amended by Act of 1933, Chapter 456, ratified by the people November, 1934.