

WHEREAS, By the construction of the projected canal, intercostal communication by water will be established for warships, torpedo boats, torpedo boat destroyers, and other war craft, and for transport of troops—thus making impregnable from attack by a foreign enemy such important cities as Norfolk, Washington, Baltimore and Philadelphia and their adjacent territory, and

WHEREAS, Daily experience of shippers demonstrates that the railroad connections of the important cities of the North and South are not equal to the tasks imposed upon them in carrying heavy and cumbersome traffic, which is equally as easily and more economically carried by water, and

WHEREAS, The said canal as projected would be an important link in the chain of intercostal waterways from Boston to Beaufort, thus placing Baltimore on the line of communication between the North and South. Therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Delegates of Maryland.* That the Senators representing this State in the United States Congress, and the members from this State in the House of Representatives be and they are hereby earnestly requested to do all within their power to have Congress accept the report and recommendations of the Board of Engineers that the present Chesapeake and Delaware canal be purchased, that sufficient appropriation for such purpose be made by Congress, and that a further and adequate appropriation be made with which to transform the said existing canal into a ship canal.

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WHEREAS, There are about twelve hundred dairy farms in Maryland which supply Washington City with milk and cream; and

WHEREAS, The herds of cattle on many of these farms are comprised of the most select and costly breeds; and

WHEREAS, Many of our farmers depend chiefly for their living upon the income derived from the shipment of milk and cream from their dairies into Washington City, and

WHEREAS, It is the object and purpose of all the said dairy-men to observe all reasonable sanitary regulations and laws prescribed by the Health Department of said Washington City, and to rid their herds of all cattle which show any physical signs of disease; and

WHEREAS, To this end they have always welcomed the health authorities of Washington City to make whatever external phys-