

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 12.

Whereas, It is represented that Fort Frederick, situated in Washington county, Maryland, is being pillaged and is rapidly reaching a state of dilapidation and ruin; and

Whereas, It is eminently proper that this fortification rich in historic lore and the only one of those of the ante-Revolutionary period left, connecting the past with the present, should be rescued and preserved; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the General Assembly of Maryland, that His Excellency, Governor Edwin Warfield, Mr. Thomas Leiber Patterson of Cumberland, Maryland, Mr. Alexander Armstrong, Jr., and Miss Leonore Hamilton, of Hagerstown, Maryland, be and they are hereby appointed a committee to prepare an accurate plan of Fort Frederick, as originally constructed, and obtain an estimate of the cost of rebuilding such parts of the structure as have been torn down and of restoring the whole to its original condition; also to ascertain the probable cost to the State of securing title to the Fort, and the land purchased by Governor Horatio Sharp for its use, and to collect all available data as the history and succession of the title of the same from the first patent to Col. Thomas Cresap in 1739, and Peter Johnson in 1743, to the present time, including survey and plat of the property, all of which proceedings and data the said committee is requested to submit to the next General Assembly of Maryland, and the sum of fifty dollars is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of said commission.

Which was read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. President,	Gray,
Applegarth,	Griffith,
Beasman,	Kirwan,
Betts,	Lewis,
Biddison,	McCullough,
Brewington,	Moore,
Devilbiss,	Robinson,