15th day of March, 1836, commissioned as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States of America, which office he filled with great distinction and marked ability until the time of his death, which occurred on the 12th day of October, in the year 1864; and

Whereas, The State of Maryland in recognition of his great public service has caused to be erected upon the State House Hill at Annapolis, Maryland, a bronze statue upon a granite pedestal, upon which some suitable inscription should be placed.

Resolved. That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be, and he is hereby authorized and directed, to cause to be inscribed by some skilled artisan upon the front of said granite pedestal, the following:

"Roger Brooke Taney,

Chief Justice of the United States of America,

Born March 17th, 1777,

Commissioned Chief Justice, March 15th, 1836,

Died October 12th, 1864."

And, upon the side of said pedestal the following:

"Attorney General of Maryland, 1827,

Attorney General of U. S. 1831;" and,

Be it Resolved, That the cost of said inscription, not to exceed seventy-five dollars, shall be paid by the Governor out of the contingent fund at the disposal of the Executive.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

The Speaker laid before the House the following: To the Honorable,

Dr. George Everhart, Speaker of the House.

Dear Sir.—The Ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Baltimore and vicinity in session in Baltimore on this fourteenth day of March, passed unanimously the following resolution which they petition the Honorable Speaker to read to the House.

To the Governor and General Assembly of the State

of Maryland: