City in which the applicant resides, shall appoint and commission in his discretion and judgment any number of persons, male or female, of known good character, and integrity and abilities, citizens of the United States, and who have resided in this State two (2) years previous to their appointment as notaries public for the State of Maryland.

No distinction shall be made between male or female applicants, who shall take the oath of office before the Clerk of the Circuit Court for each of the counties in the State, and the Clerk of the Superior Court in Baltimore City, respectively, and shall receive a commission signed by the Governor and Secretary of State under the Great Seal of the State. They shall pay the sum of five (\$5) dollars for each commission so issued, to the Treasury of the State of Maryland, and the further sum of fifty cents  $(50\phi)$  to the Clerk for the registration of the name and address of each of the said Notaries Public.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1947.

Approved April 25, 1947.

## CHAPTER 800.

## (House Bill 634)

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 11 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Frederick County", sub-title "Frederick City", sub-heading "Assessment and Taxes", said new section to be known as Section 232A and to follow immediately after Section 232 of said Article, providing that taxes due and owing to Frederick City be paid before property shall be transferred on the assessment books or deed be recorded among the land records of Frederick County, State of Maryland.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That a new section be and it is hereby added to Article 11 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Frederick County", sub-title "Frederick City", sub-heading "Assessment and Taxes", said new section to be known as Section 232A, to follow immediately after Section 232 of said Article, and to read as follows:

232A. Before any deed for the conveyance of real estate within the corporate limits of Frederick City shall be re-