Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and having been passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly of Maryland, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 29, 1947.

## CHAPTER 229.

## (House Bill 203)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 784 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1943 Flack's Edition), sub-title "Hyattsville", to provide for the assessment against abutting property of all costs of street improvements and for the collection thereof.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 784 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1943 Flack's Edition), sub-title "Hyattsville", be and the same is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

The Mayor and City Council of Hyattsville shall have the power to assess against the abutting property and collect from the owners thereof the cost of roadbeds, sidewalks, curbs, gutters, and street improvements, or any or all, constructed under the provisions of this sub-heading, including the cost of street and public alley intersections, all construction costs including that for drains and culverts where necessary, excavation, preparation of preliminary plans, advertising for bids, and all costs for the preparation of ordinances pertaining to the improvement of any such street, cost for verification of title, for service or mailing of notices to owners of abutting property as required by law, cost for preparation of assessment collection rolls to be supplied for the use of the Treasurer of said city; provided that before any assessment is levied hereunder, notice in writing of the proposed assessment shall be sent to all owners of property against which the assessment is proposed to be levied, naming in said notice a time and place when and at which said owners will be heard. Said notice may be mailed to the last known