maturity they shall be cancelled at the same time at which bonds of the same series outstanding in the hands of the public are paid. The Commissioners shall have power and authority to sell any United States or State of Maryland bonds at any time in the Sinking Fund in order to provide cash to pay any series of bonds issued under this Act as they mature or to purchase with the proceeds bonds issued under this Act whenever the Commissioners can in their judgment make such a change of investment advantageously. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the properties, plants, franchise, and/or rights of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore or to any properties, plants, franchise and/or rights that may be hereafter acquired by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore for the protection or enlargement of its water supply, sewerage, storm water drainage or refuse disposal systems or any other of its utility properties.

- Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That any and all other laws or parts of laws, whether general or local, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.
- SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That should any portion or portions of this Act be held invalid for any reason whatsoever, such invalidity shall not be construed as affecting the validity of the remainder of this Act or any part thereof, it being the legislative intent that said remainder of the Act shall stand in full force and effect notwithstanding any partial invalidity.
- SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect on and after June 1, 1937.

Approved May 18, 1937.

## CHAPTER 187.

AN ACT to declare Audrey Joanna Margaret Leininger, now known as Audrey Ruth Leininger, to be the adopted daughter of Allen Harry Goldstein.

Whereas, Sections 74, 75, 76 and 77 of Article 16 of the Code of Public General Laws of the State of Maryland provided only for the adoption of infants and there is no general law in the State of Maryland providing for the adoption of adults; and