

# JOINT RESOLUTIONS

*Assented to by the General Assembly of Maryland, at a Session  
begun on the Fourth day of January, 1882, and  
ended on the Third day of April, 1882.*

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## No. 1.

Joint resolutions in relation to the gift by Enoch Pratt, Esquire, of the city of Baltimore, of over a million dollars, to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, for the establishment of a free circulating library.

WHEREAS Enoch Pratt, of Baltimore, has recently tendered to the corporation of that city the munificent gift of over a million of dollars, for the establishment and perpetuation of a free circulating library, under conditions whose practical wisdom commands them to universal approval; and, whereas, neither the value and importance of such an institution, nor the noble and generous purposes of its founder, can be measured, even by the splendid liberality of its endowment; be it, therefore,

Preamble.

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the name of Enoch Pratt be added to the list of those public benefactors whom the people of Maryland will hold in perpetual and grateful remembrance. And it is further

Name added  
to list of pub-  
lic benefactors

*Resolved,* That in placing this acknowledgment and tribute upon the permanent records of the State, it is the desire and purpose of the General Assembly, not merely to signify their appreciation of a great and disinterested public service, but especially to honor a conspicuous example of the patriotism and public spirit which give to wealth its largest dignity and lift it to its highest uses. Be it further

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