

insuring the protection or usefulness of such esplanade, boulevard, parkway, park grounds or public reservations, or in any manner to better accomplish the purposes and serve the public interests for which they shall have been or shall be established. The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore may prescribe the procedure for condemnation of any land or property situated wholly within the city of Baltimore, which under the foregoing provisions it is authorized to condemn, but such procedure as the said Mayor and City Council of Baltimore may adopt shall include provision for reasonable notice to the owner or owners, and for appeals to the Baltimore City Court by any person interested, including the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, from the decision of any commissioners or other persons appointed to value any such land or property, or interest therein. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as depriving the city of any power of condemnation for any purpose already vested in it. The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall have full power and authority to provide by ordinance for ascertaining whether any and what amount of benefits will accrue to the owner or possessor of any ground or improvements within the city of Baltimore by reason of the establishment or enlargement of any parks, squares, gardens, esplanades, boulevards, parkways, park grounds, public reservations or other public places, for which said owner or possessor ought to pay compensation, and to provide by ordinance for assessing or levying the amount of such benefits on the property of persons so benefited; provided, that provision is made therein for reasonable notice to the person or persons against whom such benefits are to be assessed, and provided that provision be made for appeals to the Baltimore City Court by any person or persons interested, including the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, from the decision of any board, commissioners or other persons appointed or authorized to assess such benefits.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 30, 1908.

#### CHAPTER 148.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments the paragraph entitled "Harbor, Docks and Wharves," of section 6 of article 4 entitled "City of Baltimore," of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the paragraph entitled "Harbor, Docks and