steadily in view his sworn duty, to preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States.

8. Resolved, That the Governor be requested to transmit copies of the foregoing resolutions to the President of the United States, and to our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

## No. 16.

Assented to March 10,1862. Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That we tender the thanks of the people of this State to all the officers of the Army and Navy, who have remained loyal to the Government during the tempestuous scenes incident to the unnatural relation of some of the Southern States; and that the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Delegates, be requested to transmit copies of this resolution to the Secretaries of War and Navy, to be by them communicated to the several divisions of the Army and Navy.

## No. 17.

Assented to March 10,1862. Whereas, The Government of the United States in its constitutional effort to suppress the rebellion against its authority, now existing in some of the Southern States, has been unavoidably compelled to destroy or seriously to injure much valuable property belonging to citizens of this and other States; therefore,

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be and they are hereby requested to