

## CHAPTER 33.

AN ACT authorizing and directing the County Commissioners of Baltimore County to pay to James E. Kleeman, former patrolman of the Police Department of Baltimore County, a pension of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per month.

SECTION 1. WHEREAS, James E. Kleeman of Pikesville, Baltimore County, Maryland, was a police officer of said county from the year 1900 to the year 1919; and during that period of time served his county and State with integrity, perseverance and faithfulness, and participated in numerous important arrests; and on numerous occasions was openly commended by the public authorities for his energy, loyalty and daring in bringing divers notorious and desperate offenders to the bar of justice, and on one occasion at a public ceremony on June 12th, 1901, he was presented by the Board of County Commissioners of Baltimore County with a gold medal for exceptional distinguished service and bravery in making an arrest; and

WHEREAS, In 1919, when a large section of Baltimore County was annexed and made a part of Greater Baltimore, the said James E. Kleeman, on account of the post which he had patrolled during the greater part of his career as a peace officer, being part of the territory annexed thereto, and desiring to round out his years of duty and services on the post which he had patrolled for so many years, was voluntarily transferred to duty with the Police Department of Baltimore City; and

WHEREAS, The said James E. Kleeman did at that time understand that upon his retirement from the said police force of Baltimore City after service for a specified number of years, that the years spent on the police force of Baltimore County would be taken into consideration so that he would be entitled to a pension under the police pension laws of Baltimore City; and

WHEREAS, In April, 1921, the said James E. Kleeman did become disabled through physical ailments and disabilities, and before serving such length of time with the Police Department of Baltimore City as would entitle him to a pension under the police pension laws of Baltimore City; and

WHEREAS, The said physical ailments and disabilities were contracted by the said James E. Kleeman during the period