a joint committee of five members, three to be appointed upon the part of the House and two upon the part of the Senate, to wait upon the Governor and inform him that the General Assembly is now prepared to receive any communication which he may desire to make.

We concur in your proposal for the appointment of a joint committee of five members and have appointed on the part of the Senate, Senators Sothoron and Kimble.

We also desire to inform you that the Senate is organized, the Honorable Joseph R. Byrnes having been elected President and C. Andrew Shaab having been elected Secretary of the Senate.

By order:

C. Andrew Shaab, Secretary.

Which was read, assented to, and sent to the House of Delegates.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION

By the President:

Resolution to invite Dr. Clifton T. Perkins to accept the position of Commissioner of Mental Hygiene of the State of Maryland.

Whereas, the important post of Commissioner of Mental Hygiene of Maryland has been offered to Dr. Clifton T. Perkins, the Commissioner of Mental Health of the State of Massachusetts, and

Whereas, Dr. Perkins is a psychiatrist of broad experience, excellent training and an outstanding hospital administrator of nation-wide reputation, and

Whereas, he was selected for appointment to this position after a painstaking search by Governor William Preston Lane, Jr., among qualified men to head up the reorganization of Maryland's mental hospitals, and

Whereas, the end result of this painstaking search has put Maryland in the position of taking the leadership in the field of mental hygiene in the United States; now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate of Maryland, That the Senate join with Governor William Preston Lane, Jr. in the invitation to this outstanding psychiatrist and hospital administrator to assume the office of Commissioner of Mental Hygiene of the State of Maryland; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be and he is hereby directed to send a copy of this Resolution to Dr. Clifton T. Perkins.

Which was read and upon motion of Senator Sothoron was adopted.