

allow the Federal gasoline tax to expire at the close of the present fiscal year, June 30, 1935, in accordance with the declared intent at the time it was passed; that it be not levied again in any way whatsoever and that the Federal Government permanently withdraw from the field of gasoline taxation and leave to the states exclusively the power and right to tax gasoline sales in the future. And, be it further,

*Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives to be laid before the members of the Committee, and to the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Finance, to be laid before the members of that Committee, and, likewise, that the General Assembly of Maryland transmit present this resolution, to both Senators and members of the House of Representatives representing the State of Maryland, urging them to use their utmost endeavors to carry out our desires as expressed in the spirit of this resolution and thus afford to all those who operate motor vehicles or are consumers of gasoline, commercially or privately, the greatly needed relief which they demand from an excessive burden of discriminatory taxation due largely to the combined high tax on gasoline in state and nation.

Approved May 17, 1935.

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NO. 8.

A Joint Resolution directing the Governor to proclaim February 16th of each year for the observance and commemoration of the founding of the Republic of Lithuania.

WHEREAS, The 16th day of February, 1918, is the date on which the Independence of the Republic of Lithuania was proclaimed and the Republic founded; and

WHEREAS, The United States recognized the government of the Republic of Lithuania *de jure* on June 28, 1922; and

WHEREAS, Honorable Antanas Smetona was elected the first President of the Republic, April 6, 1919, and except for the period June 7, 1926, to December 19, 1926, has been the President of the Republic since 1919; and