

*Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the State Roads Commission and the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads be and they are hereby requested to follow the State highway, as at present located, through the towns of Perryville, North East and Elkton and, as far as practicable, the present highway all the way from Havre de Grace to the Delaware Line, and to widen and improve said highway rather than to locate and construct an entirely new highway; and

*Be it further resolved,* That the Secretary of State be and he is hereby directed to send a copy of this resolution to the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads and to the State Roads Commission of Maryland.

Approved May 17, 1935.

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NO. 24.

A Joint Resolution requesting the President and the Congress of the United States to station the ship Constellation at Fort McHenry, Baltimore.

WHEREAS, The City of Baltimore equipped and manned the first two vessels for the Continental Navy and in 1776 supplemented the Continental Navy with the Maryland State Navy, composed of twenty-five vessels, each carrying from twenty to thirty guns; and

WHEREAS, About one-half of the privateer fleet operating during the Revolution captured more prisoners than were surrendered by the British at Saratoga and Yorktown together, were sent out from Baltimore; and

WHEREAS, The Frigate Constellation was launched in Baltimore on September 7, 1796, and was one of the first vessels in the Navy of the United States, its name typifying the galaxy of stars in the American Flag; and

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland furnished more officers for the first Navy of the United States than any other State in the Union; therefore be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the President and the Congress of the United States be and