

administration of justice exceptional qualities of mind and heart and a judgment ripened by a long experience as a practitioner of the law; and

WHEREAS, on March 7, 1933, Judge Owens will attain the age of seventy years; and

WHEREAS, it is the sentiment of the members of the Bar of Baltimore City, that while as a general rule, the retirement of Judges at the age of seventy years makes for better government, the term of Judge Owens should be extended as herein provided, for the reasons above given; and

WHEREAS, there is a wide-spread desire on the part of the people of Baltimore City that Judge Owens' term should be extended; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Honorable Albert S. J. Owens be and he is hereby continued in office as an Associate Judge of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City until Tuesday after the first Monday in November, in the year 1938, and until his successor is elected and qualified.*

Approved March 13, 1931.

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NO. 4.

A Joint Resolution requesting the Honorable Albert C. Ritchie, Governor of Maryland, to be a candidate for the Presidency of the United States.

WHEREAS, The fundamental principle of the people of the State of Maryland has always been that over-centralization of power in the Federal Government and Federal invasion of the rights of the States are destructive of our form of government and of the liberties of our people; and

WHEREAS, In the person of Governor Albert C. Ritchie, Maryland has the outstanding champion of these principles and the champion of the rights of free people and free States in a free country; a man who, regardless of political consequences, has forcefully, courageously and intelligently advocated throughout the country a return to them; and