

cal limits of the Ninth Election District in Montgomery County as well as elsewhere in said county; and

WHEREAS, The said Gaithersburg-Washington Grove Fire Department, Incorporated, since the year 1928, is now, and proposes to continue to so combat fires within the Ninth Election District of said Montgomery County and elsewhere in said county as aforesaid; and

WHEREAS, The said Gaithersburg-Washington Grove Fire Department, Incorporated, continually, since the year 1928, still is and proposes to continue in the future to render the public service aforesaid of combating fires and preserving and protecting the lives and property of residents, citizens and taxpayers within the geographical limits of the said Ninth Election District of Montgomery County, Maryland, and elsewhere in said county; and

WHEREAS, In performing said public service aforesaid and to equip itself to continue to perform said public service aforesaid, the said fire department has expended large sums of money in the construction and erection of a fire house in the village of Gaithersburg, in said Election District in said county; and

WHEREAS, Said Gaithersburg-Washington Grove Fire Department, Incorporated, has expended large sums of money in procuring adequate equipment in which is included fire engines and fire hose for the performance of the public service aforesaid; and

WHEREAS, It is deemed advantageous and necessary for the proper protection of persons and their property within the Ninth Election District of said Montgomery County and elsewhere in said county, that sufficient funds be raised by the issuance of bonds as hereinafter provided to enable said Gaithersburg-Washington Grove Fire Department, Incorporated, to discharge and pay off all of said obligations existing as of the date this enactment becomes effective, incurred for the purposes aforesaid; therefore

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the County Commissioners of Montgomery County, a body corporate, be and it is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to borrow, upon the faith and credit of said county, the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000.00), and to issue bonds in the said amount of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000.00), and to sell the same at public or private sale at an interest rate not to exceed four (4) per centum per annum, said bonds to be issued in amounts of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) each, and two of said Five Hundred Dollar