

## NO. 10.

(House Joint Resolution 14)

A Joint Resolution endorsing and requesting the enactment of United States Senate Bill No. 450, dealing with the re-imbursement of State Accident Funds and other insurance carriers for payments on account of war injuries and deaths.

WHEREAS, Senator Claude Pepper has introduced in the United States Senate a bill, known as Senate Bill No. 450, which undertakes, among other matters, to reimburse workmen's compensation funds, insurance carriers and employers for all payments made by them under law for the benefit of person sustaining war injuries or death from war injuries; and

WHEREAS, an enemy air raid upon the Baltimore area, packed as it is with tremendous numbers of defense plants and war workers, might well cause injuries and deaths in catastrophic numbers, and, as a result, in the absence of Federal assistance, imperil the financial structure not only of self-insured employers, and insurance companies, but also of the State Accident Fund of Maryland upon which the welfare of so many employees depends; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the United States Congress be apprised of the vital concern of the General Assembly of Maryland for the enactment of the principles of the United States Senate Bill No. 450; therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the General Assembly of Maryland hereby endorses the aforesaid United States Senate Bill No. 450 in principle, and urges the Congress of the United States to enact that, or a substantially similar bill, for the protection of the financial structure of workmen's compensation funds or of other insurers established for the benefit of workmen; and be it further

*Resolved,* That a copy of this Resolution be dispatched, under the Great Seal of the State of Maryland, by the Secretary of State to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of the United States Congress, and to the Senators and Representatives from Maryland.

Approved May 7, 1943.