

An American Day", as a special occasion for the recognition of all, who by coming of age, or by naturalization have attained the status of American citizenship.

WHEREAS, our Nation has been enriched both spiritually and materially by the naturalization of thousands of foreign born men and women, and by the coming of age of great numbers of our youth, who have reached the full stature of citizenship and have strengthened our Country by their service both at home and on the battlefield; and

WHEREAS, the crisis through which our Country has struggled for the past three and one half years, has made the significance of "I Am An American Day" of greater importance than at any time in our history, due to the necessity that every person must be well informed and aware of his or her duties and obligations as an American Citizen, that our American Way of Life may be preserved; therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Governor of Maryland, be and he is hereby requested to designate the Third Sunday of May, in each year as "I Am An American Day."*

Approved April 5, 1945.

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NO. 8.

(House Joint Resolution 7)

A Joint Resolution authorizing provision for an increase in the salaries of certain employees of the State Roads Commission.

WHEREAS, upon the cessation of hostilities in the present world conflict there will arise an immediate and urgent necessity for a large number of jobs for returning veterans and for those now employed in war industries, particularly during that period in which industrial plants will be shut down for reconversion from war work to peacetime uses; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States, realizing the urgency of providing useful employment for large numbers of returning veterans and displaced war workers during the period of economic instability which will inevitably occur at the end of the existing war emergency, has provided for a