

and the property thereof. Said certificate shall also clearly state all necessary Federal priorities or preference ratings have been obtained for any critical materials or equipment to be used in the construction of said Fire Department building or for any of the apparatus or equipment to be acquired, and said Fire Board shall state in said certificate its opinion as to whether said critical materials, equipment or apparatus are obtainable in view of present war conditions. At the conclusion of said certificate said Fire Board shall certify that the Hillandale Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated, is ready to proceed with the program and shall request the County Commissioners of Montgomery County to make available to said Hillandale Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated, a sum of money, not exceeding in any event the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00), in order to assist said Hillandale Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated, to carry out said program in whole or in part. Upon receipt of said certificate and upon finding the same to be in compliance with the requirements of this section, the Board of County Commissioners of Montgomery County shall proceed forthwith, by resolution, to provide for the borrowing of the necessary funds and the evidencing of said borrowing by the issue and sale of the coupon bonds of the County. Said bonds may be issued and sold at public or private sale and without referendum, in the discretion of the County Commissioners of Montgomery County, and the issue thereof is hereby specifically exempted from the provisions of Section 224 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Montgomery County and also from the provisions of Sections 34, 35 and 36 of Article 31 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland (1939 Edition). Said bonds shall be issued in denominations of One Thousand Dollars each, to bear interest at a rate not to exceed four per centum (4%) per annum and to mature serially over a period of twenty (20) years, accounting from the date of issue of such bonds. Under no circumstances shall an amount in excess of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) be borrowed pursuant to the authority of this Act, nor shall the aggregate par amount of said bonds exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00), and if the full amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) is borrowed, then the bonds issued in evidence of said borrowing shall be issued to mature in equal annual serial installments of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) each over said period of twenty (20) years. Said bonds shall be signed by the President of the County Commissioners of Montgomery County and the corporate seal of said County shall be affixed to each