

WHEREAS, the experience of three hundred years has vindicated the far-seeing wisdom of that principle in that it has delivered both the faith and the State from the ills and strife of religious conflict; and

WHEREAS, in many lands men and women still suffer under law for conscience sake, it is both appropriate and timely for those who enjoy the fruits of freedom of worship to consider well their precious privilege, to value it, and ever be alert to preserve, practice and defend it; and, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, first, that the General Assembly of Maryland, in 1949, reaffirm its devotion to the principle of religious freedom as embodied in and developed from the Act of 1649; and be it further

*Resolved*, second, that the Governor of Maryland be invited to issue his proclamation reminding the people of the approaching tercentenary of the Act Concerning Religion and calling upon them to solemnize the date with appropriate ceremonies rededicating themselves and their State to the established American principle of religious freedom and giving thanks for this precious heritage.

Approved April 22, 1949.

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NO. 21

(Senate Joint Resolution 4)

Joint Resolution requesting the State Roads Commission of Maryland to name and designate U. S. Route 301 as the Blue Star Memorial Highway.

WHEREAS, the National Council of State Garden Clubs has undertaken a program for improving a highway through numerous states to be known as the Blue Star Memorial Highway; and

WHEREAS, the particular proposal under consideration at the present time is a highway extending at least from New York to Florida, to be designated as the "Blue Star Memorial Highway" on the Eastern Coast; and

WHEREAS, U. S. Route 301 has been agreed upon as being the proper highway to be designated as the Blue Star Memorial Highway; now, therefore be it