

## No. 4

## (Senate Joint Resolution 3)

Joint Resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to establish a Cemetery of Revolutionary Soldiers in Brooklyn, N. Y., as a National Memorial.

WHEREAS, The lead editorial of the Brooklyn Eagle (New York) of Wednesday, January 23, 1952, forcibly calls attention to disgraceful conditions existing around the hallowed spot on Third Avenue, between Seventh and Eighth Avenues, Brooklyn, where 256 Maryland soldiers lie buried; and

WHEREAS, These gallant soldiers gave their lives on the morning of August 27, 1776, in halting the encirclement of General Washington's Army by the British at the old Stone House at Gowanus. By their immortal sacrifice, it has been truly said that "they saved the American Army" since the glorious and effective amphibious withdrawal of the American Army under General Washington, after the battle in which these men died, could not have been possible without the great sacrifice they made; and

WHEREAS, For the greater part of a century and three-quarters, their place of interment has been neglected, unattended, forsaken, almost forgotten and unmarked except for a bronze plaque placed on the site by the American Legion; and

WHEREAS, It is a sad commentary that their path of glory should lead to such a nameless and forsaken spot; it is an indictment against those who should have done something about it. The people of this nation should see to it that these honored dead shall not continue to sleep in obscurity in a land which today enjoys the blessings these men died to make possible; now, therefore be it

*Resolved that the General Assembly of Maryland, hereby memorialize Congress to cause appropriate action to the end that the lands above referred to be established and maintained as a National Memorial by the appropriate.*

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.