

ment of the County, the proper arrangement of streets and the control of subdivisions within said County; authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Howard County to appoint a Planning Commission and to prescribe its duties and powers; authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Howard County to appoint a Planning Commissioner and to prescribe his duties and powers; to provide for appeals to the Circuit Court for Howard County and to the Court of Appeals of Maryland; to provide for penalties for the violation of such rules, regulations and restrictions; and to provide additional means of enforcing such rules, regulations and restrictions.

**SECTION 1.** *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That sixteen new sections, be and they are hereby added to Article 14 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland 1930 Edition), title "Howard County", sub-title "Planning and Subdivision Control", said new sections to be known as Sections 230 to 230-O, inclusive, and to follow immediately after Section 229 of said Article, and to read as follows:

#### PLANNING AND SUBDIVISION CONTROL

230. *For the purpose of promoting health, safety, morals, and the general welfare; to alleviate traffic congestion; to facilitate the safe flow of traffic, to provide for light and air; to promote good civic design and arrangement; a wise and efficient expenditure of public funds; and adequate use of public utilities and other public requirements; and for the general purpose of guiding and accomplishing a co-ordinated, adjusted and harmonious development of Howard County, the County Commissioners of Howard County are hereby authorized and empowered to appoint a Planning Commission to be known as the Howard County Planning Commission with the powers and duties as hereinafter set forth.*

230A. *The Howard County Planning Commission shall consist of ~~seven~~ FIVE members, of whom three shall be members of the Board of County Commissioners of Howard County, and the other ~~four~~ TWO shall be appointed by said Board of County Commissioners. All members of the Commission shall serve as such without compensation. The term of the ex-officio members shall correspond to their official term. The terms of the other members shall be for a period of five years or until their duly appointed successors take office, except that the respective terms of the four members first appointed shall be two, three, four and five years, respectively. Appointed members may, after a public hearing, be by said Board of*