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under his hand and seal, directed to the sheriff of Baltimore county, commanding him to summon twelve free holders disinterested in the removal of the said house and laying open said lot, to appear on a certain day by the said justice to be appointed, on the property of the said Henry Zegler, and the said free holders having first made oath, before a justice of the peace, that they will without favor, affection or partiality, assess the damages sustained by the said Henry Zegler, in the removal of said house and condemnation of said lot, as a public highway, and shall thereupon proceed to assess and value the damages accordingly; of which the said commissioners or a majority of them shall have had at least five days notice, and shall return the damages so assessed to the said justice of the peace; and such inquisition and valuation shall be final and conclusive, and the party or parties in whose favor the valuation ascertained by the said commissioners, or the damages ascertained by the said free holders shall be made, shall be entitled to receive the same from the said commissioners, or a majority of them; and the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall pay or cause to be paid within the space of six months after the assessment of such valuation or damages; and before they shall proceed to remove the house and lay open the lot of the said Henry Zegler, and upon the payment of the money or securing the same to be paid to the said Henry Zegler, his heirs or executors, the said commissioners, or a majority of them, may remove the said house and lay open said lot, to remain a public highway forever thereafter.

Lien.

5. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the sums of money assessed and charged by the commissioners, or a majority of them, to each individual benefited by the removal of the house and opening the aforesaid street, shall be a lien upon and bind all the property so benefited thereby to the full amount thereof.

CHAPTER 120.

Passed Dec. 22, 1812.

*An act to extend Forrest and Goodman's-streets southerly from the city of Baltimore, and for other purposes.*

Preamble.

WHEREAS, A number of the inhabitants of the city and precincts of Baltimore, by their petition to this General Assembly have set forth, that a considerable convenience would accrue to the public as well as individuals, by continuing Forrest-street and Good-