Resolved, That the special commission be requested to organize promptly and to begin its work, in order that it may report by September 1, 1955 to the Governor, the members of the General Assembly and to the Legislative Council, including in the report such findings and recommendations as it may seem desirable.

No. 14

(House Joint Resolution 9)

House Joint Resolution requesting the State Roads Commission of Maryland to name and designate U. S. Route No. 213, from Elkton, Maryland, to the Chester River, as the "Augustine Herman Highway."

Whereas, in memorializing those who have contributed greatly to the growth, development and fame of our nation and State, we all too frequently pay tribute only to those military and political leaders who have appealed to popular imagination and have generally neglected those persons who have rendered really outstanding services; and

WHEREAS, one such person was Augustine Herman, who came to this country from Bohemia in the year 1633, about the time when Maryland was settled; and

Whereas, the said Augustine Herman engaged in various business enterprises in the early days of New York City and occupied some political offices of trust there; and

WHEREAS, about 1659, he came to Maryland on a mission from Governor Stuyvesant of New York to Governor Calvert of Maryland; and

Whereas, soon thereafter, he made a map of the State at the request of Governor Calvert and in recognition of this valuable service, he was granted large tracts of land in the Bohemia River section of Cecil County and was also made a naturalized citizen of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, the map of Maryland which he had prepared played an important part in settling boundary disputes with the State of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, in view of the many services rendered, not only to the people of Maryland but to the nation, it would seem only fitting that a permanent memorial be established commemorating these services; and

WHEREAS, U. S. Route No. 213, from Elkton, in Cecil County, to the Chester River, is without any local name or designation; now therefore, be it

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.