Whereas, It would be in the best interests of our State and its successful economy were our citizens to be re-apprised of the importance of Forestry and of the continuing need for conservation and reforestation of forest lands; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That March, 1956, be designated as Forestry Month in our State, and that our citizens be requested to take renewed interest in, and increased care of, by conservationism and other salutary means, our priceless timber lands and the tremendous physical and spiritual investment they represent; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be requested to forward a copy of this resolution to the Governor, under the Great Seal of the State, with the request that March, 1956, be proclaimed as State Forestry Month.

Approved March 26, 1956.

No. 11

(House Joint Resolution 5)

Joint Resolution requesting the Department of Budget and Procurement and the Department of Mental Hygiene to study the farm properties now operated by the Department of Mental Hygiene and the possible consolidation of farming activities at the Central Farm.

WHEREAS, During the course of an extended review of State budgetary policies by the Committee on Taxation and Fiscal Matters, the question was raised whether the farming activities of the Department of Mental Hygiene should be concentrated at the Central Farm; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Mental Hygiene now operates the Central Farm and an additional farm at each institution, each of which requires a supervisory staff; and

Whereas, Since these farms are not used for patient therapy, it might well be possible that a concentration of farming activities at the Central Farm could produce equally as much milk and vegetables, while at the same time resulting in a material saving in supervisory and labor costs; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Department of Mental Hygiene and the Department of Budget and Procurement be requested to make a thorough study of the farming activities of the Department of Mental Hygiene to ascertain whether they could

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.