

1849 THE STATE OF VIRGINIA, BY THE ADOPTION OF A CODE, HAS ONLY INCORPORATED ARTICLES 7, 8, 10 AND 11 OF THE COMPACT, AND HAS REGARDED ALL OTHER ARTICLES AS OBSOLETE AND OF NO FURTHER FORCE AND EFFECT, AND

WHEREAS, THE STATE OF MARYLAND HAS RECOGNIZED THE VALUABLE NATURAL RESOURCES LYING IN THE POTOMAC RIVER, AND HAS SOUGHT TO EFFECTUATE A UNIFORM SYSTEM OF PRESERVATION AND CONSERVATION OF THESE NATURAL RESOURCES TO THE MUTUAL BENEFIT OF THE CITIZENS OF BOTH MARYLAND AND VIRGINIA, AND

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL OF THE STATE OF VIRGINIA HAVE CALLOUSLY AND INTENTIONALLY DISREGARDED, DISOBEYED AND INTERFERED WITH THE ENFORCEMENT OF LAWS REGULATING THE ACQUISITION, PRESERVATION AND CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES IN THE POTOMAC RIVER, AND

WHEREAS, THE STATE OF MARYLAND HAS REQUESTED THE STATE OF VIRGINIA TO COOPERATE IN THE PRESERVATION AND CONSERVATION OF THESE NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE POTOMAC RIVER WHICH THE STATE OF VIRGINIA HAS EFFECTIVELY REFUSED TO DO, ALL OF WHICH IS TO THE MUTUAL DETRIMENT OF THE CITIZENS OF BOTH STATES, AND

WHEREAS, THE STATE OF VIRGINIA HAS CLEARLY DEMONSTRATED ITS UNWILLINGNESS AND OPEN REFUSAL TO COOPERATE IN THE ENFORCEMENT OF EXISTING LAWS AND TO ADOPT NEW LAWS FOR THE EFFECTIVE ENFORCEMENT OF THE PRESERVATION AND CONSERVATION OF THESE VALUABLE NATURAL RESOURCES, AND

WHEREAS, THE STATE OF VIRGINIA HAS CLEARLY DEMONSTRATED ITS INTENTION TO DISREGARD AND FLOUT THE RIGHTS OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND AS OWNER OF THE BED OF THE POTOMAC RIVER AND TO INTERFERE WITH THE LAWFUL RIGHTS OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND AND ITS CITIZENS, AND

WHEREAS, THE STATE OF MARYLAND HAS ABLY, WITHOUT INCIDENT, REGULATED THE VARIOUS RIVERS AND WATERS BINDING ON SISTER STATES, INCLUDING THE STATE OF VIRGINIA, LYING OUTSIDE THE JURISDICTION OF THE COMPACT OF 1785, TO THE MUTUAL AND CONTINUED BENEFIT OF THE CITIZENS OF MARYLAND AND THE CITIZENS OF ADJOINING STATES, AND

WHEREAS, THE HOSTILITY SHOWN BY THE OFFICIALS AND CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF VIRGINIA TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND ON THE POTOMAC RIVER, BY REASON OF SHOOTINGS AND SABOTAGE OF VESSELS HAS CREATED A SITUATION WHICH THE STATE OF MARYLAND CAN NO LONGER TOLERATE, AND