

farm and city, for the injury to either is sure to bring a loss and depreciation to the other and a decline in the population of the State; and

WHEREAS, The rates of the parcels post are so low for excessive distances and the charge for shipment is in such unjust and unfair proportion to the haul that neither the Government nor the railroads are receiving sufficient compensation to cover cost of service rendered, and a large amount of trade that legitimately belongs to the inhabitants of the State of Maryland is being diverted to the great cities of the land in distant States. This policy is depriving thousands of our best and brightest young men and women of their birthright by forcing them to emigrate from the State, in order that they may have a chance in the world; and

WHEREAS, These great concerns in distant cities do not contribute in any way to the revenues of the State of Maryland, nor do they in any way assist in the education of the youth of our State. They build no roads or bridges and bear none of our many burdens incident to the development of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, They are waxing fat upon the trade they take from our State, and are fast developing into great monopolies that bid fair to equal, if not excel, in size the greatest manufacturing concerns in the land; and

WHEREAS, It is the policy of Maryland to provide work and opportunity for all its children, and we believe the Federal Government, of which we are a part, should not tax the people to reimburse losses in the parcels post service when these losses are incurred in establishing great monopolies that are fast sapping the life of our cities and towns and depriving our children of a place and opportunity in their own community; and

WHEREAS, Thousands of Maryland's citizens have petitioned the General Assembly of the State of Maryland to memorialize the Postmaster General and the Congress of the United States to limit the weight of the parcels post packages to a maximum of forty pounds and make such readjustment in the parcel rates as will eventually make each class self-supporting; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Postmaster General and the Congress of the United States be and they are hereby requested and petitioned to reduce the weight of the parcels post package to a maximum of forty pounds and make such readjustment in our postal rates and