

authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Allegany County to provide said contribution by borrowing upon the full faith and credit of said County, not exceeding the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00), and to issue coupon bonds therefor for the aforesaid purpose; to provide for an annual levy upon the assessable property of Allegany County by the County Commissioners for the purpose of paying the interest of said bonds and the principal thereof at maturity.

WHEREAS, inadequate and overcrowded hospital facilities now existing in Allegany County are a menace to the public health and welfare; and

WHEREAS, it is believed that certain additional facilities are necessary to be provided at the Memorial Hospital in the City of Cumberland in order that its operating efficiency and community service and benefits may be increased, and that the County Commissioners of Allegany County, along with other public agencies, should contribute to the cost therefor; now therefore

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the County Commissioners of Allegany County, a body corporate, in order to provide funds for the improvement, renovation and construction of alterations and improvements to the Memorial Hospital in the City of Cumberland, in order that its operating efficiency and community service and benefits may be increased, are hereby authorized and empowered at any time hereafter to raise, contribute and deliver to the Board of Governors of the Memorial Hospital of Cumberland, Maryland, a body politic and corporate, an amount not exceeding the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00), to be used and applied by said corporation exclusively for the purpose of defraying in part the cost of financing of alterations and improvements to said Hospital.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That for the purpose of raising said sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00), or so much thereof as the County Commissioners of Allegany County shall deem necessary, to be paid to the Board of Governors of the Memorial Hospital of Cumberland for the purpose set forth in Section 1 of this Act, the County Commissioners of Allegany County are hereby authorized at any time hereafter to borrow money upon the full faith and credit of Allegany County to an amount not exceeding Seven Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00) and to issue and sell coupon bonds therefor not in excess of said principal sum.

That such bonds shall be designated and known as Memorial Hospital Improvement Bonds, and when issued shall be signed by the President of the County Commissioners of Allegany County, duly attested by the Clerk of the County Commissioners, and the corporate seal of the County Commissioners shall be attached thereto. The interest coupons attached to each of said bonds shall bear the facsimile signature of the President of the County Commissioners of Allegany County, printed, lithographed or engraved thereon.

That the Board of County Commissioners of Allegany County before the issuance of said bonds shall by formal resolution prescribe