

## No. 6

(Senate Joint Resolution 17)

Senate Joint Resolution giving the support of the General Assembly of Maryland to the preservation of the unique character of the City of Annapolis.

The General Assembly of Maryland enthusiastically and heartily endorses the efforts of the City of Annapolis and public-spirited citizens throughout the State to retain and preserve the attractive colonial character of the City of Annapolis.

Annapolis, the capital city of Maryland, is one of colorful and notable architecture. In many ways it commemorates the illustrious history and traditions of this State. It is a heritage for all the citizens of the State of Maryland, from the mountains of Garrett County to the sands of Somerset County. Our people have an inherent public interest in preserving the unique flavor and character of the beautiful little City of Annapolis.

Among the assets of the capital city of Maryland is the unusual and outstanding architecture reflecting as it does the very spirit of a quaint colonial town.

There has been general alarm throughout the State of Maryland over recent proposals which would ravish the architectural integrity of this lovely and beautiful old town. There are efforts underway to build structures in the area surrounding the historic and beautiful State House, which would be completely incongruous and incompatible with the capitol building and its surroundings.

Many of our citizens are demanding positive action to prevent the construction of buildings that would destroy the beautiful and historic skyline and would materially detract from the architectural setting for the State House and for other nearby public and private buildings.

Thousands of our people believe that the beautiful little City of Annapolis should be held secure as a sacred trust for the esthetic and inspirational enjoyment of future generations.

Annapolis is the symbol of the splendid history and venerable character of the State of Maryland. It is a living embodiment of the ideals and of the democracy of this old State. It is completely unthinkable that under any specious claim for "progress," any buildings and structures should be added which would destroy the quaint and lovable character of this fine old colonial town; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the City of Annapolis and all its officers and employees be urgently requested to do everything within their power to resist efforts to destroy the old colonial atmosphere of Annapolis, and to make every possible effort to retain the quaint, historic and beautiful character of the City of Annapolis and of its famous skyline; and be it further*

*Resolved, That the General Assembly on behalf of our people throughout the length and breadth of the State of Maryland gives its hearty and enthusiastic support to the City of Annapolis in all*