and feasibility of establishing an additional branch of the University of Maryland School of Medicine to be domiciled at the campus in College Park and to be associated with the Prince George's General Hospital.

Whereas, The population explosion being experienced by the area in Maryland surrounding the District of Columbia has placed an almost insurmountable burden on the hospital facilities located therein; and

WHEREAS, The dire need to expand the hospital facilities and the attendant beds and services available to the citizens of Maryland in the Washington suburbs has been made apparent by a number of private and public surveys; and

WHEREAS, One of the most significant bars to the expansion of needed hospital facilities and services is the critical lack of resident physicians, internists INTERNS and other professional and technical staff members; and

WHEREAS, The primary source of professional and technical personnel is the affiliated medical school of the college and university; and

WHEREAS, There is a need to expand the excellent Medical School of the University of Maryland; and

Whereas, Many medical professionals, educators, organizations and private citizens feel there is a need for a second site for the University Medical School; and

WHEREAS, The campus located at College Park in Prince George's County would seem a logical choice for such additional location; and

WHEREAS, The Prince George's General Hospital is currently undertaking a seven million dollar plant expansion and improvement program; and

WHEREAS, A satisfactory agreement could be negotiated between the University Medical School and the Prince George's County General Hospital which would be in the best interest of both; and

WHEREAS, The expansion of the University Medical School and the adequate staffing of the Prince George's General Hospital is a matter of deep concern to the citizenry and is a fundamental factor in the health, welfare and well-being of both the State and County and their citizens; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Governor of Maryland THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HIGHER EDUCATION is hereby requested to appoint a commission to undertake a study and review of the advisability and feasibility of establishing a second location for the University of Maryland School of Medicine, the scope of which shall include but not be limited to:

- (a) a study and review of the need for a second site for the University Medical School
- (b) a study and review of the advisability of locating a branch of the Medical School on the main campus at College Park