

WHEREAS, Because of a dispute between William Penn and the Calvert family as to the exact boundary line between their proprietary holdings in America, arising from ambiguous descriptions in their respective charters from the Crown of England, the English astronomers Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon were appointed as the result of a compromise reached between the two proprietor's families, to make a survey to establish a boundary line between the Penn and Calvert lands; and

WHEREAS, In 1763, Mason and Dixon arrived in the colonies and in 1764 began their survey at the Middle Point Marker, and subsequently extended their line for a distance of 244 miles west from the Delaware River before they returned to England in 1767; and

WHEREAS, The Wicomico County Historical Society beginning in 1960 instituted a program to obtain the issuance of a commemorative postage stamp observing the completion of the survey by Mason and Dixon; and

WHEREAS, The settlement by peaceful means of a serious boundary dispute between two of the American colonies by means of the Mason-Dixon Survey is an event worthy of commemoration by a special postal issue, particularly since the Middle Stone Marker of the Mason-Dixon Survey has been declared to be a registered national landmark; and

WHEREAS, This eminently worthy project has the support and encouragement of the Maryland General Assembly; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the Postmaster General of the United States is urged to authorize the issuance in 1967 of a United States commemorative postage stamp to commemorate the bicentennial of the settlement of the boundary dispute between Maryland and Delaware and the completion of the Mason-Dixon Survey by Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon; and be it further

*Resolved,* That copies of this Resolution under the Great Seal of the State of Maryland are sent to Postmaster General John A. Gronouski, to Ira Kapenstein, Special Assistant to the Postmaster General, and to the members of the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee of the Post Office Department.

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(House Joint Resolution 54)

House Joint Resolution directing the State Department of Education, in consultation with the State Department of Health and appropriate groups, to develop a plan and budget estimate implementing the Gruehn Report recommendation for assumption by the State of part of the costs of nurse and medical technician training.

WHEREAS, The report of the Governor's Commission to study hospital costs (Gruehn Report) has recommended that consideration be given to assumption by the State of part of the costs of nurse and technician training by hospitals; and