WHEREAS, Suggestions have been made by commercial interests and by an agency of the federal government that the dairy be closed and the Academy required to purchase its requirements of milk products on the open market; and

WHEREAS, The dairy farm has always been a model dairy farm in the quantity and quality of milk produced; and it has furnished fresh milk to the Academy of a kind that could not be duplicated on the commercial market and at a price representing a considerable savings to the United States; and

WHEREAS, The dairy farm is a self-supporting operation with the exception of the salary and expenses of the one officer assigned to the farm; and

WHEREAS, The farm is an economic asset to Anne Arundel County, with an annual payroll of \$106,198 in 1964, providing permanent employment to forty-seven persons and temporary employment to four or five persons; and

WHEREAS, The members of the House can see no valid reason why a self-supporting facility filling a necessary function for the Academy should be considered for closing; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Delegates of Maryland, That we urge the United States and the Navy Department not to consider the closing of the United States Naval Academy Dairy Farm at Gambrills in Anne Arundel County and we express our support for the continued operation of the Dairy Farm; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this Resolution are sent to President Lyndon B. Johnson, to the Secretary of the Navy, to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Graeme C. Bannerman, to Senators Brewster and Tydings, Congressman Machen and to the Superintendent of the United States Naval Academy.

Which was read and adopted.

The following was reported by the Rules Committee without recommendation:

House Resolution No. 13-By Delegate Lapides:

House Resolution requesting the Governor of Maryland to create an Arts Council.

The House of Delegates of Maryland is suggesting that the Governor of this State create an Arts Council that would take a direct interest in fostering and promoting the artistic life and development of Maryland.

This State is one of those which does not have such an agency. The creation of an Arts Council not only would give impetus and direction to the improvement of the artistic and cultural life of the State, but would provide the administrative machinery for receiving and distributing Federal subsidies to the arts.

The State of Maryland has long had a number of cultural and artistic centers that have taken a lead throughout the entire Country in this field. Thus, in Baltimore City and throughout the State, one can name such institutions as the Maryland Institute, Peabody In-