

WHEREAS, Named to the Commission were the following persons:

Hon. Benjamin Michaelson, Chairman and retired Judge of the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County;

Dr. Irene Diggs, Professor of Sociology, Morgan State College;

Hon. Shirley B. Jones, Judge of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City;

Dr. Peter P. Lejins, Professor of Sociology, University of Maryland;

Bishop Edgar A. Love, Bishop of the Methodist Church;

Major General Rinaldo Van Brunt, Director, Maryland Civil Defence Agency;

Paul E. Welsh, Public Relations Manager, McCormick and Company; and serving as the Staff for the Commission was Morton A. Sachs, Assistant Attorney General of Maryland, and

WHEREAS, On February 1, 1967 the Commission presented an Interim Report of its findings to the Governor and under date of March 13, 1967 has submitted its final report and conclusions, and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly recognizes that the Commission is composed of some of the most outstanding professional persons and citizens of the State, who have devoted much of their time in the past seven months in studying a most difficult problem, and

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland owes a large debt of gratitude to the members of the Commission for the penetrating and thorough analysis which they have made of the ills of the correctional system, as reflected in the list of proposed administrative and legislative recommendations which the Commission has submitted in its Report, and

WHEREAS, With the work and recommendations of the Michaelson Commission before it, the General Assembly is now in a position to implement the recommendations of the Commission so that the State's correctional facilities and services can be modernized and made to function in an efficient, progressive manner, now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That we express our appreciation and commendation to the members of the Commission to study the Correctional System of Maryland, and be it further*

*Resolved, That copies of this Resolution are sent under the Great Seal of the State of Maryland to each member of the Commission.*

Approved May 4, 1967.