

*Resolved*, That copies of this Resolution be sent to Herbert B. Cahan, Chairman of the Maryland Educational-Cultural Broadcasting Commission, and Frederick Breitenfeld, Executive Director of the Commission.

Approved May 2, 1969.

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No. 23

(House Joint Resolution 6)

House Joint Resolution requesting the Department of Forests and Parks to study the advisability of acquiring the former Tolchester Amusement Park to develop for recreational and tourism purposes.

WHEREAS, For many years Tolchester Amusement Park was one of the prime recreational areas of the Upper Eastern Shore and serviced not only the citizens of this region, but also attracted many persons from throughout the State and neighboring states; and

WHEREAS, The park has been abandoned; therefore there now exists in this area a serious need for recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, It appears that the State could acquire ownership of this property for a reasonable price at this time, but if acquisition is not made in the near future, the price of this property will increase to a great extent; and

WHEREAS, This property should be given prime consideration for development as a State facility since the name "Tolchester" is known throughout the State and would attract many persons to the park, it would be one of the few State facilities with access to the Chesapeake Bay, and it would provide a State park in an area which has none at this time; and

WHEREAS, Consideration should be given to the development of lodging facilities in the park to serve the needs of visitors to Washington College, hunters, and tourists enjoying the summer recreational attractions of the area, since at this time there are not sufficient lodging facilities in the area to serve the needs of these people; therefore, be it

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Department of Forests and Parks is requested to study the advisability of acquiring the former Tolchester Amusement Park to be developed for recreational and tourism purposes and to report the results of their study to the Legislative Council not later than August, 1969; and be it further

*Resolved*, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Director of the Department of Forests and Parks, and the Chairman and members of the Commission on Forests and Parks.

Approved May 2, 1969.