

and awards of merit for outstanding achievement, Trooper of the Year Award and retirement mementos; and

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland is indeed fortunate in having such a competent and highly trained organization of men exemplified by the Maryland State Police Alumni Association available in any emergency to augment the regular enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, The respective members of the Maryland State Police Alumni Association, located in the several geographical areas of the State of Maryland, stand ready and willing to assist the public in the event of an emergency or disaster; and

WHEREAS, The personnel of the Maryland State Police Alumni Association are highly respected and civic minded citizens of their respective communities in the State of Maryland; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Maryland State Police Alumni Association be recognized and commended as a highly trained and readily available backup agency to the many excellent police and enforcement departments within our great State of Maryland; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Maryland State Police Alumni Association.

Approved May 6, 1971.

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(Senate Joint Resolution 25)

Senate Joint Resolution commending Dr. Thomas D. Sheldon for his accomplishments as Superintendent of the Baltimore City School System and wishing him success in the future.

The General Assembly of Maryland congratulates and commends Dr. Thomas D. Sheldon for his accomplishments in the field of education generally and for his accomplishments as Superintendent of the Baltimore School System.

Dr. Sheldon received his education at Syracuse University and began his career in the field of education as a teacher and coach in the New York school system in 1942. From there, he moved up to various positions, including athletic director and Vice-Principal, and in 1968, he left the Hampstead, New York School System to become Superintendent of the Baltimore system. He has served in that position since July 1, 1968; he has recently submitted his resignation which becomes effective April 15, 1971.

Dr. Sheldon was quoted in the February 7 edition of the Sunday Sun as saying that: "There is a strong recognition particularly among poor people that this is their only real chance; that if the school system fails them, their children are not going to have much real opportunity in life. And it's true. . . . The only place America can go for a full and fair chance in society is to its education