

restoration would be at once effected if the cloud of the highway threat was removed; and

WHEREAS, Other East Coast seaport cities have already lost their waterfront residential areas to industry and are moving to re-create them, while Baltimore enjoys the position of having its premier waterfront community restored by private persons and private funds; and

WHEREAS, Cities are presently losing population due to the rush to the suburbs, and the preservation of Fells Point would keep a developing city community intact and maintain a place unique to the city which would add beauty to the city and attract tourism; and

WHEREAS, To allow the destruction of Fells Point, the State of Maryland would be going against its tradition of preserving areas of historical value; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Governor be requested to appoint a Commission to study and make recommendations on the preservation of Fells Point in Baltimore; and be it further

Resolved, That the Commission consist of seven members, the chairman of which to be named by the Governor at the time of the appointment of the members.

* Not approved by the Governor.

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(Senate Joint Resolution 91)

Senate Joint Resolution requesting the Board of Public Works to take whatever action is necessary to either approve or disapprove the proposal before it to construct a World Trade Center in the Inner Harbor Area of Baltimore City so that positive action can be initiated for its construction.

WHEREAS, The Maryland Port Authority has initiated action for the construction of a World Trade Center to be located in the Inner Harbor Area of Baltimore City; and

WHEREAS, The Maryland Port Authority has volunteered to advance the funds necessary for the construction of the foundation to the City of Baltimore; and

WHEREAS, The City of Baltimore is to reimburse the Maryland Port Authority for such an advance at the rate of \$300,000 per year until the advance has been repaid; and

WHEREAS, A private corporation has indicated that it will fund the construction of the World Trade Center on said foundation; and

WHEREAS, The private corporation has agreed to lease approximately 50,000 square feet of office space to the Maryland Port Authority at current market costs for such space; and